

## BE A LEADER... BE LIGHT!

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*“Without wise leadership, a nation is in trouble.” Pr. 11:14 (LB)*

*“Give yourselves completely to God – every part of you – for you want to be tools in the hands of God, to be used for His good purposes.” Rom. 6:13 (LB)*

*“By faith Moses’ parents hid him for three months after he was born because they saw he was no ordinary child. They were not afraid of the king’s edict. By faith Moses when he had grown up refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh’s daughter. He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time. He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt because he was looking ahead to his reward and by faith he left Egypt not fearing the king’s anger. He preserved because he saw Him who was invisible.”  
**Heb. 11:23-27)***

### TO BE A LEADER GOD USES...

#### 1. YOU MUST KNOW YOUR IDENTITY

*“By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh’s daughter.” Heb. 11:24 (NIV)*

*Jesus: “I know where I came from and where I am going.” John 8:14 (NIV)*

*“Jesus knew that He had come from God... He also knew that the Father had given Him complete power. So He got up, wrapped a towel around His waist... and began washing His disciples’ feet.” John 13:3-5 (CEV)*

*Jesus: “Your approval or disapproval means nothing to Me.” John 5:41 (NLT)*

#### 2. YOU MUST ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY

*“The lazy person is full of excuses.” Pr. 22:13 (NLT)*

**“I’ve discovered that people who are good at making excuses aren’t good at anything else!” Ben Franklin**

*“Don’t use your freedom as an excuse to do anything you want. Use it as an opportunity to serve each other with love.” Gal. 5:13 (CEV)*

*“Moses chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time.” Heb. 11:25 (NIV)*

- *I can't blame others for the direction of my life.*
- *I can't live off of other's spiritual commitment.*

*"Each of us will give an account of himself to God."* Rom. 14:12 (NIV)

### 3. **YOU MUST SET PRIORITIES**

*"We should choose to follow what is right. But first we must define what is good."*  
Job 34:4 (LB)

*"Moses regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward."* Heb. 11:26 (NIV)

#### The World's Priorities

- *Prestige & Popularity (vs 24)*
- *Pleasure (vs 25)*
- *Possessions (vs 26)*

#### Moses' Priorities

1. Fulfilling God's Purpose is more important than popularity.
2. Loving God's People is more important than pleasure.
3. Having God's Peace is more important than possessions.

*"Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the priceless gain of knowing Christ Jesus."* Phil. 3:8 (LB)

### 4. **YOU MUST FOCUS ON ETERNITY**

*"Set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits... Let heaven fill your thoughts. Do not think only about things down here on earth."* Col. 3:1-2 (NLT)

*"It was by faith that Moses left the land of Egypt. He was not afraid of the king. He kept right on going because he kept his eyes on the one who is invisible."* Heb. 11:27 (NLT)

*"Keep your eyes on Jesus, who both began and finished this race we're in. Study how He did it. Because He never lost sight of where He was headed—that exhilarating finish with God—He could put up with anything along the way: cross, shame, whatever."*  
Heb. 12:2 (Mes)