

**Reading:** 2 Timothy 4:1-5

**Topic:** Leadership Responsibilities

**INTRODUCTION:** Leaders are not just people who have been assigned to fulfill a \_\_\_\_\_ or take on responsibility that \_\_\_\_\_ like an opportunity, but real leaders have a critical role to play in accomplishing the mission of the Kingdom of God.

## I. MISSION & VISION:

### **A. Know The Mission:**

1. Above all, it is vital for every leader of every \_\_\_\_\_ to know and understand the mission of the church and incorporate that \_\_\_\_\_ into the ministry that they have been given the responsibility to lead. Mt. 28:19,20
2. The mission of every \_\_\_\_\_ is the mission that Jesus gave to His disciples just prior to ascension and that mission is still in effect and will be until the \_\_\_\_\_ is taken out of this world. Mk. 16:15
3. Reaching people with the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ and then helping them to grow and mature in their spiritual lives to become strong \_\_\_\_\_ and become involved in ministry is the mission. 3 Jn. 1:4

### **B. Know The Vision:**

1. The vision works hand in hand with the mission and the vision is the process by which one can \_\_\_\_\_ the potential and possibilities of the \_\_\_\_\_ in action. Acts 18:8-10
2. Without having the \_\_\_\_\_, the mission can become wearisome and just a routine that causes a lack of enthusiasm and \_\_\_\_\_ to do the work of the Kingdom of God. Gal. 6:9
3. A leader must constantly be renewed personally in daily \_\_\_\_\_ and the Word of God in order to keep the \_\_\_\_\_ fresh and then convey it to the people involved in that ministry. Pr. 29:18

## II. VALUES:

### **A. Core Values:**

1. Every organization and business have what is known as core values which are the \_\_\_\_\_ fundamental principles upon which the organization or business operates in order to successfully maintain its effectiveness in accomplishing the \_\_\_\_\_ and goals. Jude 1:3
2. When the core values of any organization or business are abandoned, it doesn't take \_\_\_\_\_ until one will observe a \_\_\_\_\_ of the progress and mission. Gal. 5:7
3. Some churches have experimented with dropping their core values in \_\_\_\_\_ to accommodate and attract more \_\_\_\_\_, but in the end this approach never accomplishes the mission. I Tim. 4:1

### **B. True Core Values of The Church:**

1. The core values of the church are built upon the \_\_\_\_\_ of God and include truths and doctrine that guide the operation and lifestyle of every \_\_\_\_\_ and individual that follow Jesus Christ. Eph. 2:20
2. The truths and doctrine are to the church what the skeleton is to the human \_\_\_\_\_, that which is the strength and \_\_\_\_\_ of the Body of Christ. I Tim. 4:16
3. When sound doctrine is laid aside in order to not \_\_\_\_\_ people, the death of the church and its influence begins. 2 Tim. 4:2,3

## III. ENCOURAGE & INSPIRE

**A. Encouragement:**

1. Leaders can either be encouragers or discouragers, depending on the philosophy which they \_\_\_\_\_ to operate in relation to those that they \_\_\_\_\_ in their ministry. I Tim. 6:12
2. A leader who chooses to use a negative approach to try to bring \_\_\_\_\_ to the individuals and the ministry that he/she leads, will not be very successful and often will stifle any \_\_\_\_\_.
3. A leader who will choose the \_\_\_\_\_ and faith-filled approach to inspire those that he/she leads will observe \_\_\_\_\_ and progress in those that they are leading. 2 Tim. 2:1,2

**B. Inspiration:**

1. The word "inspire" is defined as, "to fill with creative power" and "to stimulate" which is what a \_\_\_\_\_ leader will do to move people \_\_\_\_\_ in their walk with God and ministry.
2. It is the responsibility of the leader to keep himself/herself inspired through \_\_\_\_\_, the Word of God and absorbing \_\_\_\_\_ influences from reliable sources i.e. services, seminars, online opportunities, etc. 2 Tim. 3:16,17
3. When the leader is inspired, it will pass on to the other people involved in the \_\_\_\_\_ that he/she is leading, and in turn will develop an atmosphere of \_\_\_\_\_ and growth. Neh. 4:16

**CONCLUSION:** Being a leader is not just claiming a \_\_\_\_\_ or having a position, but is an awesome responsibility that can make or break both individuals and a \_\_\_\_\_.