



The Leader's Life & Work

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1. Understand the relationship between ministry calling & leadership competency.
2. Understand the biblical foundations of leadership as found in the scriptural motifs of shepherding and servanthood.
3. Identify coaching principles and practices that will assist in their ongoing personal life-management and development.
4. Engage and thoughtfully reflect on biblical texts for the purpose of identifying sound implications for leadership character development and praxis.
5. Appreciate and emulate personal character traits in contemporary and historical leaders.
6. Understand how their leadership success relates to other areas of leadership in their community and the world.

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WHAT IS LEADERSHIP?

1. **Picture: *Shepherd***
 - Know, Direct, Feed, Protect
2. **Word: *Proistamenos*** (Rm 6:8)
 - "Person placed in front"
3. **Theology: *People, Stories, Metaphors***
 - "No theology, no leadership" (Baxter 24, 27)
4. **Common Grace: *Rich***
 - Examples, Patterns, Principles

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contradict your doctrine, ... lest you unsay with
your lives what you say with your tongues.

~ Richard Baxter

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LET'S CALL THAT SELF-LEADERSHIP

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LEADERS LEAD...

- South: We lead those “under us”
- East & West: We those “alongside of us”
- North: We lead those “above us”



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**We must lead the person
who does the leading.**

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**We are, in a certain sense, our own tools, and
therefore must keep ourselves in order.**

~ Charles Spurgeon

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**Above all else, guard your heart,
for it is the wellspring of life.**

~ Proverbs 4:23

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**Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock,
in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers,
to care for the church of God, which he obtained
with his own blood.**

~ Acts 20:28

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Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.

~ 1 Timothy 4:16

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"Alas! the beard of reputation once shorn is hard to grow again."

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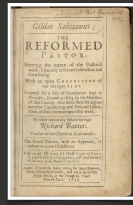
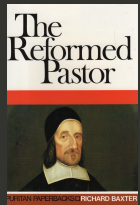
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WHAT IS GOD'S ADMONITION TO LEADERS?

1. 1 Corinthians 4:16
2. Philippians 3:17
3. 2 Thessalonians 3:7
4. 1 Timothy 4:12
5. Titus 2:7
6. 1 Peter 5:3

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What were some of your key takeaways



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SELF-LEADERSHIP...

- "The management of self." Dee Hock
- "The process' of influencing oneself to establish the self-direction and self-motivation needed to perform."
(Neck and Manz, *Self-Leadership: Leading Yourself to Personal Excellence*)
- It is "preaching to yourselves the sermons which you study, before you preach them to others."
(Richard Baxter)
- It is "keeping ourselves in order." (Spurgeon)

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Andy Stanley, *Deep Conviction: A Man's*
New York: The Gospel Center, 2008, Page 114.

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WHOSE JOB IS IT?

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It's the management of self that should occupy
50% of our time and the best of our ability.

~ Dee Hock

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WHY?

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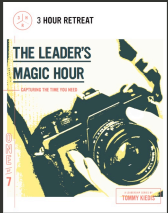
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**I must know my rhythms for
maximum effectiveness.**

~ Gordon MacDonald

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IDENTIFYING RHYTHMS...



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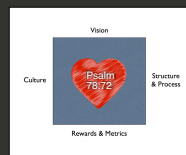
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3. Practice regular check-ups
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ONGOING ASSESSMENT...

I must be assessing
my life for the Lord.



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IT MATTERS...



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