





REGION 2: LEADING AS A FOCAL MINISTER
SITE 1: WHAT LEADERSHIP INVOLVES

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LEADERSHIP STATEMENTS

What Others Have to Say

Reflect on each of the statements below and give each a grade according to the following scale.



'A leader is a person with a God-given capacity and a God-given responsibility to influence a specific group of people towards God's purposes for the group.'

Robert Clinton

'Leadership is a relational process of social influence through which people are inspired, enabled and mobilised to act in positive, new ways, towards the achievement of God's purposes.'

Ian Parkinson

'Leading yourself is largely about living a rhythm of life that renews the life of God within us.'

Nancy Ortberg

'The leader is the keeper of the vision.'

Graham Cray

'The only way to lead people is to show them a future: a leader is a dealer in hope.'

Napoléon

'A good leader is one who leaves behind them men and women who possess the conviction and the will to carry on without them.'

Lydia Dunn

'The first essential characteristic of leaders is that they are going somewhere, in other words they are aiming at goals or objectives that lie in the future.'

Tom Marshall

'Leadership is about making others better as a result of your presence, and making sure that impact lasts in your absence.'

Sharyl Sandberg

'Leadership is the capacity and the will to rally men and women to a common purpose and the character with which to inspire confidence.'

Field Marshal Montgomery

'A Christian leader is someone who is called to lead; leads with and through Christ-like character; and demonstrates the functional competencies that permit effective leadership to take place.'

George Barna

'Leadership should be more participative than directive, more enabling than performing.'

Mary Poole

'Leadership is an art not a science.' Warren Bennis

'I am among you as one who serves.'

'The supreme quality for a leader is unquestionably integrity. Without it, no real success is possible.'
Dwight Eisenhower

'I've always subscribed to the belief that the best leader is not one who has the most followers, but one who creates the most leaders.'

Stephanie Courtillier

'The heart of leadership is not in mastering the "how-tos" but in being mastered by the amazing grace of God.'

Leighton Ford

'A leader takes people where they want to go. A great leader takes people where they don't necessarily want to go, but ought to be.'

Rosalynn Carter

'I am deeply convinced that the Christian leader of the future is called to be completely irrelevant and to stand in this world with nothing to offer but his or her own vulnerable self... the one who dares to claim his/her irrelevance in the contemporary world as a divine vocation that allow him or her to enter into a deep solidarity with the anguish underlying all the glitter of success and bring the light of Jesus there.'

Henri Nouwen

'Part of leadership is knowing when to go ahead with a decision that's within your authority because you're really convinced it's the right thing, even if other people don't understand it at that point.'

Ingrid Mattson

Reflection

What resonated with you from these statements?

If you were to try and capture your understanding of leadership in a sentence or two, what would it be?

What do you struggle with from these statements? Who could you talk with about this?









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