

Lesson 4: The Purpose of Spiritual Leadership

- I. The Purpose of Spiritual Leadership: _____
1 Corinthians 4:16; 1 Corinthians 11:1; Philippians 3:17; 2 Thessalonians 3:7

- II. A leader takes the _____. Acts 27:9-10

- III. A leader uses _____ . Acts 27:11-12

- IV. A leader speaks with _____. Acts 7:21-26
Joshua 1:1-9

Are you a boss or a leader?

Bosses drive workers;	Leaders coach them.
Bosses depend on authority;	Leaders depend on trust.
Bosses inspire fear;	Leaders inspire enthusiasm.
Bosses say, "I";	Leaders say, "We."
Bosses fix the blame for any breakdown;	Leaders fix the breakdown.
Bosses know how it is done;	Leaders show how.
Bosses say, "Go";	Leaders say, "Let's go!"

V. Homework:

1. Choose a Bible reading plan and follow it each day.
2. Memorize the Cornerstone weekly Bible verse (listed in the sermon outline each week).
This week's verse:

"The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever." Isaiah 40:8

3. Married Men: Pray with your wife three times this week.

Single Men: Pray three times this week for the following:

1. To find your greatest joy in God.
 2. To be the spiritual leader God wants you to be.
 3. To influence others to know and worship God.
4. Evaluate your influence. Do people trust you? Do they believe you will do everything in your power for their good and God's glory?

VI. Discussion Questions

1. How have you done on your homework? Reading? Scripture memory? Prayer (with wife)?
2. From the three areas of leadership that we see in the life of Paul in Acts 27 (initiative, good judgment, speaking with authority) which one are you strongest in and which is your weakness?
3. How do we earn people's trust? Do those under your leadership believe you will do everything in your power for their good and God's glory?
4. Leaders set an example for those who follow after them. In what areas does Paul encourage us to shine as an example for others, according to 1 Timothy 4:12?
5. In light of what you learned from this lesson, what will change regarding your spiritual leadership?