Successful Leadership Session 4 – LEADERSHIP- Class 3 Notes

As disciples, for optimum growth and fulfillment, we must have a demand placed on our faith in Christ to lead another *into* greater faith. We will use small groups as a particular for a universal.

The leader is the one who gathers others. Ask the Lord who you should gather, one or two to meet weekly. Taking the Sunday message and growing the sound. Set a day, a time, and a place (virtual or physical). This creates a demand on our faith.

Luke 11:5-8 Jesus shared the story of a friend who came at midnight. It was the power of desperation that led to importunity that brought provision.

We can often live with less. It is only when we are forced to *provide* that we discover resources, resolve, and boldness to find bread for a friend. This is what a leader discovers: When we are faced with providing bread, as an example, to gather and grow the sound of the Sunday message with one or two others, we will learn more than by simply listening. It is the responsibility to *provide* that raises our effort above the minimum due.

A leader needs Jesus to provide anointing and revelation to give and share with others.

- First our relationship with God
- Next, giving away what we know of God to others. We cannot give what we do not possess. Acts 19:11 20

Diligence - **Proverbs 12:24** The hand of the diligent will rule, But the lazy man will be put to forced labor.

A Leader's Conscience - 2 Corinthians 1:8-12 (12) For our boasting is this: The testimony of our conscience is that we conducted ourselves in the world in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom but by the grace of God, and more abundantly toward you.

Conscience is our co-perception, meaning what we know about ourselves that God knows too. It is our secret life, not our public life. For a leader in the kingdom, we are charged with communicating from our conscience to another's conscience, heart to heart. **2** Corinthians 4:2; 5:9-11

Our conscience is our guidance system like a compass, keeping us true to the consecration the Lord requires of each of us individually. Our conscience can be strong or weak, providing freedom for one, or an offense to another. 1 Corinthians 8:7-13, Romans 14.

If we ignore our conscience, we begin living two lives. Our conscience can become seared instead of sensitive which leads to hypocrisy. *1 Timothy 4:1-4*

Repentance is the gift given by God to come to the knowledge of the truth, then to our senses, finally leading us out of the captivity of the devil. Repentance begins as we consider another thought than the one we are currently entertaining. **2 Timothy 2:24-26**

The gift of repentance comes when someone encounters the truth being given from the Lord Jesus Christ. This frees us from self-righteousness and convicts us of our own sin, instead of the sins of others. *John 8:1-12*