

Session 2 – Growing As A Leader

God uses many methods to grow leaders for his Kingdom purposes. Understanding his calling on our lives involves a look back, a look forward, and grateful appreciation for where he has us in the present. The Lord plants us in specific locations and gives us responsibilities that require us to



depend on him each day. In these situations, God is helping us to grow into Christ-likeness as a servant leader. Is leadership easy? NO! That’s why we must see that a leader’s growth requires one to faithfully follow and obey Christ in each stage of our lives.

Assignment- Watch Seminar 4 – Part 1 Session 2 – “Growing As A Leader”

On YouTube link <https://youtu.be/zRXqnF5wA2Q>

In their book, *Building Leaders*, Aubrey Malphurs and Will Mancini speak of four (4) core leadership **competencies** found in good leaders. They include:

Character (being) – Soul Work Knowledge (knowing) – Head Work
Skills (doing) – Hand Work Emotions (feeling) – Heart Work

Competence means the ability to do something well and efficiently. Good leaders seek to develop each core competency; asking the Lord to unite this “work” as their ministry unfolds. But what happens if one competency is emphasized over others?

- What happens if a person has character without knowledge or skills?
- What happens if one pursues knowledge without the others qualities?
- What about having skills without the others elements?
- What happens if someone operates ministry only on emotions?

Over the years, God continues to shape leaders through life situations and experiences. Growth does not happen apart from difficulties and suffering and it requires our cooperation with the Spirit’s sanctifying work. In his Second Letter to Timothy, Paul reflects on God’s active work in his life as he faced his death. Paul realized that God weaves all things together for the good of those who are called according to his purposes. So must we.

Robert Clinton describes how God enables leadership growth across the stages of one’s life.

Assignment: Turn the page and reflect on the various stages mentioned in the diagram. Answer the application questions under each stage and, like the Apostle Paul, commit to following Jesus unto the end.

Personal Application Questions

What is God teaching you about leadership?

What spiritual disciplines need development for you to grow as a servant leader?

What will help you stay true to Christ and his people over the course of your life?

Assignment: *Give Thanks to the Lord* – express your gratitude for God’s work in your life to another person in the Seminar. Listen to your friend express their thanksgiving for the way God is at work in them. Together, pray asking God to keep you both faithful as you serve Him.

Assignment

Watch Seminar 4 – Part 1 Session 3 Introduction - “Leadership Lessons and Traits Learned from Biblical Characters” on <https://youtu.be/i3g01pXmvOs>