

Mustard seed leadership

BUILDING ON BIBLICAL VALUES

1 Corinthians 3:10-13 (NLT)

*10 Because of God's grace to me, I have laid the foundation like an expert builder. Now others are building on it. **But whoever is building on this foundation must be very careful.** 11 For no one can lay any foundation other than the one we already have—Jesus Christ.*

12 Anyone who builds on that foundation may use a variety of materials—gold, silver, jewels, wood, hay, or straw. 13 But on the judgment day, fire will reveal what kind of work each builder has done. The fire will show if a person's work has any value.

BIG IDEA: As co-laborers with Christ, we need to build the church on a revelation of Christ, by the Holy Spirit, in obedience to His Word, with love!

How are we going to use these values?

1. Own them by REVELATION
2. Model them though your EXAMPLE
3. Multiply them by TALKING, TALKING, TALKING

8. Servant leadership

A. What is this value about?

It is the value of seeing leadership as a function and not a title or position. And secondly of seeing leadership as a serving role, not a role to be served.

Matthew 20:25-28 (NLT)

25 But Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers in this world lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them. 26 But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant. 27 and whoever wants to be first among you must become your slave. 28 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many."

B. Why is this value so important?

Because humble servant leaders are the key to God's promotion. In other words, God will promote humble leaders in terms of enlarging their inheritance, authority and reputation. And at the same time resisting arrogant leaders who make leadership about self promotion.

1 Peter 5:5-6 (NLT)

5 In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you, dress yourselves in humility as you relate to one another, for

***“God opposes the proud
but gives grace to the humble.”***

6 So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time he will lift you up in honor.

C. Vision

Get this right and the church feels WARM and well cared for. People sense that leaders can be trusted which makes them feel secure.

QUESTION: In the world, greatness is often measured by how many people serve you, whereas in the Kingdom, greatness is measured by how many people YOU SERVE.

So the question is, how many people are you serving?

PRACTICAL:

- Leaders serve people by adding value to their lives - start right now if you haven't already.
- Set an example of serving even with menial tasks that others might not see
- Keep asking yourself: “What would a great leader do in this situation?”