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WISDOM AND MINISTRY

THE CALL TO LEADERSHIP

Society for Promoting Christian Wisdom plays a key role in the Hebrew Bible, not least in the books traditionally regarded as wisdom literature, among them Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and some of the psalms. But in the church's use of the Hebrew Bible, wisdom is something of a poor relation compared to the law, the prophets and the psalms, especially given the importance it has for the New Testament's understanding of Christ as the word and wisdom of God. The call to ministry, the author believes, is the call to be, or become, wise ourselves, and to help others on their own journey of discovery as to what this means.

AFRICAN AMERICAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP

PRINCIPLES FOR EFFECTIVE MINISTRY AND COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Kregel Publications How can African American church leaders maximize their leadership potential? What are current models for effective leadership in the African American Christian community? This book answers those questions and more with up-to-date research and current best practices regarding leadership principles and strategies. African American church communities and those who interact with and work with these communities will find this book particularly useful. ParkerBooks are written to equip and encourage African American ministry leaders.

RELIGIOUS LIFE FOR OUR WORLD

CREATING COMMUNITIES OF HOPE

Orbis Books

MINDFUL MINISTRY

CREATIVE, THEOLOGICAL AND PRACTICAL PERSPECTIVES

SCM Press A constructive resource for all who endeavour to become reflective practitioners.

BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS FOR SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

AN INTEGRATIONAL APPROACH

InterVarsity Press Drawing on biblical teaching and the ministry of the early church, Gareth Weldon Icenogle offers guidance for setting up and running a biblically based small-group ministry program.

DEVELOPING LEADERS FOR THE SMALL CHURCH

A GUIDE TO SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION FOR THE CHURCH BOARD

*Kregel Academic A beneficial resource that aids both leaders and congregations. In his more than fifteen years as the pastor of a small church, Glenn Daman has learned what it takes to make a church board successful. In *Developing Leaders for the Small Church*, Daman explores the nature of spiritual leadership, illustrating why the focus of a church board shouldnt be dictated by organizational duties, but guided by spiritual responsibilities.*

THE MAKING OF A LEADER

*Rich Brott In his insightful book, *The Making of a Leader*, Frank Damazio lays out for the serious student a broad discussion of what it means to be responsible for a group of "followers.*

RESURRECTING EXCELLENCE

SHAPING FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Resurrecting Excellence aims to rekindle and encourage among Christian leaders an unselfish ambition

for the gospel that shuns both competition and mediocrity and rightly focuses on the beauty, power, and excellence of living as faithful disciples of the crucified and risen Christ. Drawing on ancient traditions and on contemporary voices, L. Gregory Jones offer both a theology of excellence and portraits of pastors, lay leaders, and congregations that embody "a more excellent way."--
Publisher's description.

JESUS ON LEADERSHIP

TIMELESS WISDOM ON SERVANT LEADERSHIP

Tyndale House Publishers, Inc. Discover the essence of transformative leadership by studying how Jesus led. Gene Wilkes, a popular conference speaker, describes how Jesus led. He identifies seven practical principles for today's leaders, to assist them with everything from humbling their hearts to building a team for Christ.

THE DEBORAH ANOINTING

EMBRACING THE CALL TO BE A WOMAN OF WISDOM AND DISCERNMENT

Charisma Media Deborah was unique among women of her time. No other could describe herself as a mighty combination of judge, intercessor, prophetess, mother of Israel, and military strategist. She governed God's people with a nurturing heart and a soldier's strength. Deborah broke outside of her culture—not out of rebellion—but in obedience to God to set her people free. Rise up in your area of influence and be a pillar in the kingdom of God. Imagine the outcome if women in today's society boldly took hold of the same discerning spirit, courageous heart, and nurturing gift to see transformation in their homes and workplaces. The Deborah Anointing is available to you to overcome the cultural and social pressures and prejudices that women encounter. Through prophetic teaching and applicable prayers you will experience freedom, healing, and deliverance from: Fear and control issues Dry seasons in personal life, career, or ministry Disappointment, doubt, and indecision Delays on the promises of God And much more!

STIRRING WATERS

FEMINIST LITURGIES FOR JUSTICE

Liturgical Press 2021 Catholic Media Association Award second place award in liturgy 2021 Catholic Media Association Award honorable mention award in gender issues - inclusion in the church For years, religious leaders and communities around the world have turned to the Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual (WATER) for feminist liturgies for justice. Now—in celebration of the organization's thirty-fifth anniversary—Stirring Waters gathers fifty-two of these beautiful liturgies, ready-made to help your community venerate powerful women of faith, develop a richer and deeper spirituality, and take real action for justice. Use the liturgies in this book as a resource to nourish the souls and focus the passions of the people you serve. Help them reflect on great women like the prophetess Miriam and Julian of Norwich; provoke and disturb them on occasions like Earth Day and World Water Day; energize them on International Women's Day and Black History Month; and rejuvenate drooping spirits with liturgies of healing and gratitude. Never again will you scramble or struggle to provide community prayer that is worthwhile, nourishing, and even electrifying.

REIMAGINING MINISTERIAL FORMATION

SCM Press The Church is currently experiencing a transition in the way it understands and practises both mission and ministry. It is to be outward-looking, engaging with the wider community, involving all its members in mission and clergy are to play the role of enablers and equippers of the ministry of the whole church. However, ministerial formation in colleges and courses throughout the country lags behind this emerging consensus. 'Theological education' is still largely based on academic models. Reimagining Ministerial Formation offers a new way forward, where 'ministry' comes to be about the whole church, and ministerial formation is about collaboration between clergy and laity. It argues strongly for a shift away from 'front-loaded' training, to a new focus on formation as a life-long process.

LEADERSHIP IN MOTION

LEADERSHIP CRISIS, ESSENCE AND PURPOSE

CreateSpace Leadership in Motion takes the reader through the nuances of leadership in the Protestant Christian Church, and addresses the issues and the vision of leaders that are not stuck in denominationalism or religiosity. Among the many reformation movements the church has experienced, the church is presently in an apostolic and prophetic age, and many called into ministry have yet to understand the function and the divine plan of God for apostles in this dispensation and why apostles are needed. The author brings to light many of the issues facing the church, as the mantle of leadership is being passed from one generation to the next. As the momentum of the supernatural grows in strength and vigor, many who are graced with spiritual gifts are operating their gifts without the knowledge of the ways of God and the corresponding wisdom and understanding of who God is. Mentorship is vital for every young minister, for there are some things that cannot be learned in theory but by experience. In the pages of this book the reader will learn about the call to leadership, the qualifications of leadership, the heart of the leader, the purpose of the call, the assignment of leaders, their jurisdiction and authority; leadership character, apostolic definition, and the principles of the Harvest. The book captures the reasons for the failure of many in leadership and why this season demands fervent prayer, knowledge of the will of God, preparation and planning. Leadership in Motion helps leaders to examine and define their calling by examining the divine call of men that the Bible uses as examples; their strengths, weaknesses, their discipline, faithfulness to God, and the estrangement of many of those leaders who disobeyed the commandments, and laws of God. The author also examines leadership styles, the personalities of leaders and the impact on the church, the need for counselling, self-examination, faith, wisdom and truth. To summarize the purpose of the book the author equivocally stresses the need for order as a vital requisite in a reproductive church. A leader's vision is

wrapped around purpose; the leader's intellect, foresight and perception is key to the unfolding of what is invisible, and housed in the imagination and thought-life of the individual and can only manifest in the continuum of time through planning and deliberate actions. The limitations of the visionary's environment are also examined and compared to the limitations of a womb that housed a baby that was born prematurely, taking into account that some dreams and visions may need more special attention than others in order for it to survive because of the antagonistic environment into which the vision was birthed. This book can be described as informative, insightful, truthful, and filled with much wisdom, present truth, and a must for a new generation of leaders. It is also a source of information to the old guard. It challenges the status quo of many churches that are void of a kingdom perspective and are stuck in manmade rules and philosophy of men that do not leave room for the Holy Spirit to make the required changes. Our chapter on leadership keys gives the leader clues as to what is expected, why leaders are God's way of meeting a need among His people, why it is important to be elevated, appointed, ordained and commissioned before the people, why leaders must be morally, spiritually, and mentally capable, and what is the essence of true leadership. The author also discusses what true leadership for God's people is not, by giving examples of domineering leaders, while enlightening the reader on the spirit of manipulation and control. The author leaves the reader with much insight, and enough information to determine what the effects of unwise leadership are by defining the importance of truth.

GOLD TESTED IN FIRE

A NEW PENTECOST FOR THE CATHOLIC PRIESTHOOD

Liturgical Press The recent Year for Priests focused considerable attention on the priesthood, resulting in many books, articles, retreats, conferences, and symposia. In *Gold Tested in Fire*, Ronald D. Witherup, SS, makes an important new contribution. Intersecting scriptural and theological context with lived pastoral insight, Witherup explores both classic and contemporary understandings of the priesthood, offers insights into the four pillars suggested for priestly formation, and looks at the charism of priests, and the need for ongoing formation across a life-span. Having engaged in priestly formation in seminaries for a number of years, Witherup moves beyond overly idealized or pietistic approaches to the presbyteral life to offer key insights on the challenges and rewards inherent in contemporary priestly ministry. Underlying his approach is the firm conviction that the present testing in the priesthood is a profound summons to a new Pentecost, inopportunities for the priesthood to be cleansed and remade, and ultimately stronger.

IN SEARCH OF WISDOM

FAITH FORMATION IN THE BLACK CHURCH

Abingdon Press A guide for pastors, church leaders, and all who help African Americans in their search for a meaningful Christian lifestyle. Forming Christians--leading fallen and flawed human beings into the path of discipleship to a crucified and risen Lord--is one of the central, if not the central, tasks of all Christian churches. It is a difficult enough task anywhere, but for African Americans, beset by racial conflict, personal crises, generational separation, and other concerns, it is especially so. African American churches must work particularly hard to counter the messages their members receive from the dominant and often unfriendly culture. This book employs the biblical text and African tradition to draw on the idea of the search for wisdom as a potent way to help African Americans in their pursuit of genuine Christian discipleship. Wisdom in African American tradition is not simply knowledge; rather, it is those insights, attitudes, beliefs, behaviors, and practices that create and sustain a life of hope and that produce an inherent sense of the worth of one's self. If their members are to engage in the search for wisdom, African American churches must build an intentional ministry of faith formation. Wisdom can be gained, the authors argue, when African Americans listen to the black oral tradition with its proverbial sayings, revered Bible stories, songs, and narratives from the lives of exemplary individuals. The book offers several similar avenues for the search for wisdom, including helpful models of black males mentoring younger black males, as a remedy to the destructive effects that contemporary culture has on this segment of the African American community.

THE UNCOMMON LEADER

Wisdom International Inc THE UNCOMMON LEADER, Volume 1, B-106 Experience Unprecedented Success When You Apply The Wisdom Principles Contained In This Handbook. Learn to...Establish Goals / Guard Your Schedule / Develop The Power of Habit / Getting Things Done Through People Who Do Not Care...And Much More!

REVISITING THE IDEA OF VOCATION

THEOLOGICAL EXPLORATIONS

CUA Press Until recently theologians have been in a deep slumber about the subject of vocations. This volume represents one of the first awakenings in the theological community to this subject. The ten contributors, all theologians at Loyola University Chicago, present original essays that explore vocations, or callings.

DEEP INFLUENCE

UNSEEN PRACTICES THAT WILL REVOLUTIONIZE YOUR LEADERSHIP

NavPress Too much attention is paid to leadership techniques and far too little to the kind of heart and mind from which the best leadership emanates. The path to truly influential leadership is found in the discipline of practices hidden from the public eye that deeply inform our public leadership. Our convictions, our call, our understanding of ourselves and heart commitments are where it all begins. Character, courage, wisdom, integrity, humility, spiritual depth, endurance, perseverance, kindness, and vision all come from a place deep inside our hearts and souls--the hidden interior and recesses of our lives, whose channels lead to deep veins of God's

work and molding.

MINISTRY ORDINATION

PERFECTING LEADERS FOR THE WORK OF THE MINISTRY

This handbook is written to and for the children of God, the Body of Christ, who are called for ministry. The aim and purpose is to equip for the work that the Lord has called them for. How to handle their leadership role, endeavoring not to bring disrepute to this honorable call. King Solomon gives us brilliant ingredients for life. He advises us to have two goals; wisdom - that is, knowing and doing right and common sense. Do not let them slip away, for they fill you with living energy and are a feather in your cap. Proverbs 3:21-22 (LivB) Heavenly wisdom is what we desire to do ministry. It is good and necessary to have academic wisdom, yet so many a times, since this is God's work, we need the wisdom that comes from above. Through experience, I believe this training will prevent a minister of the gospel from falling into unnecessary traps of foolishness. The sadness that we see today is seeing pastors going to divorce courts to undo the covenant that was made in the presence of God and many witnesses. The understanding is mostly that people come to church to be taught how to honor this important institution, how to stay married and how to solve issues using the word of God. Servants of the Most High are to be teachers and not molesters. The ordination classes are given as a final check to have ingrained in the prospective minister, tools that will be necessary in this high calling. It is also to alert of the tactics of the enemy. A minister enters his or her calling, with no intention to molest the body of Christ. The tools given will help the future minister as well the reader to build their own boundaries. Over the years, I observed a necessity that would bridge a gap between zeal and ignorance. To bring God's people to spiritual intelligence and to seriously conform to reverential fear of the Lord. Yes we're all prone to mistakes from which we get our lessons. Yet with monitoring and being taught, a lot can be minimized.

PRIESTLY MINISTRY AND THE PEOPLE OF GOD

HOPES AND HORIZONS

Orbis Books

SERVANTSHIP

SIXTEEN SERVANTS ON THE FOUR MOVEMENTS OF RADICAL SERVANTSHIP

Wipf and Stock Publishers Servantship is essentially about following our Lord Jesus Christ, the servant Lord, and his mission--it is a life of discipleship to him, patterned after his self-emptying, humility, sacrifice, love, values, and mission. Servantship is humbly valuing others more than yourself, and looking out for the interests and wellbeing of others. Servantship is the cultivation of the same attitude of mind Christ Jesus had: making yourself nothing, being a servant, humbling yourself, and submitting yourself to the will and purposes of the triune God. Since servantship is the imitation of Christ, it involves an unreserved participation in the missio Dei--the Trinitarian mission of God. In this pioneering work, sixteen servants describe the four movements of radical servantship. Servantship is the movement 1. from leadership to radical servantship; 2. from shallowness to dynamic theological reflection; 3. from theories to courageous practices; and 4. from forgetfulness to transforming memory. Servantship recognizes, in word, thought, and deed, that "whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave--just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

THE CHURCH LEADER'S COUNSELING RESOURCE BOOK

A GUIDE TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Oxford University Press This all-in-one guide is designed to better equip clergy and the church leaders to meet their congregations' needs in a spiritually grounded and scientifically sound manner. Succinct, easy-to-read chapters summarize all a pastor needs to know about a given problem area, including its signs or symptoms, questions to ask, effective helping skills, and, most importantly, when to refer to a mental health professional. Synthesizing what research says about treatment approaches for mental health issues, this user-friendly reference is filled with guidelines, case scenarios, key points to remember, resources for further help, advice on integrating scripture and theology with the best available research, and tips on partnering with others to provide the best possible care for each church member. Each chapter is designed for quick lookup by problem area, empowering church leaders to understand and help meet the challenges facing the children, adults, families, and communities that they serve.

PRESBYTERIAN POLITY FOR CHURCH LEADERS, FOURTH EDITION

Westminster John Knox Press New revision of a best-selling book for church leaders.

VOICES TOGETHER WORSHIP LEADER EDITION

MennoMedia, Inc. The worship leader edition is a must-have for anyone involved in planning or leading worship through prayer, music, spoken words, visuals, and more. This simple, accessible volume is filled with theological grounding, practical suggestions, and words for worship. It includes quick introductions to topics like the Christian year and the use of technology in worship, as well as easy-to-use suggestions for preparing prayers. It also includes worship resources for the practices central to our faith and life—including baptism, communion, child blessing, and funerals. This worship leader edition is an essential guide for preparing worship that is intentionally crafted and theologically Anabaptist. This product includes supplemental resources to accompany the hymns from Voices Together, but does not include the hymns themselves. It is designed to use in tandem with the Voices Together Hymnal. Product specifications: Paperback 6" W x 9" H

ASIAN AND ASIAN AMERICAN WOMEN IN THEOLOGY AND RELIGION

EMBODYING KNOWLEDGE

Springer Nature This book presents personal narratives and collective ethnography of the emergence and development of Asian and Asian American women's scholarship in theology and religious studies. It demonstrates how the authors' religious scholarship is based on an embodied epistemology influenced by their social locations. Contributors reflect on their understanding of their identity and how this changed over time, the contribution of Asian and Asian American women to the scholarship work that they do, and their hopes for the future of their fields of study. The volume is multireligious and intergenerational, and is divided into four parts: identities and intellectual journeys, expanding knowledge, integrating knowledge and practice, and dialogue across generations.

THE CALLING OF CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

BEING, KNOWING, DOING MINISTRY

Chalice Press Leading is a calling from God, but that doesn't mean it is easy. There are choices to be made about what your congregation believes, how your church organizes for effective ministry, and how your church serves the settings of which you are a part. The good news is that others have gone before you. Author Larry L. McSwain's forty years of experience can help guide you through these choices. Rooted in research, *The Calling of Congregational Leadership* teaches a three-pronged approach to congregational leadership: being a good leader, the knowledge needed by the leader, and the managing of ministry leadership. By using this practical, holistic approach to leading congregations, McSwain shows you how to use your church's potential for conveying the power of God in the lives you touch. *The Calling of Congregational Leadership* is for those who seek to enlarge the understanding of their leadership to make their communities of faith more vital and more reflective of the mission of God in the world.

EDUCATING LEADERS FOR MINISTRY

ISSUES AND RESPONSES

Liturgical Press "Draws principally on a project entitled 'Theological Teaching for the Church's Ministries' (also called the 'Keystone Conferences') and names four overarching challenges in theological education: theological differences, learning differences, integration

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

BIBLICAL ORIGIN, HISTORICAL TRANSFORMATION, AND POTENTIAL FOR THE FUTURE

Fortress Press With thoroughness and clarity, Hans Schwarz presents a historical and systematic understanding of the church - its worship and piety, its traditions and doctrines, its forms and structures. This skilled assessment outlines the impact of the church today and analyzes its prospects for the future.

EMPOWERED CHURCH LEADERSHIP

MINISTRY IN THE SPIRIT ACCORDING TO PAUL

InterVarsity Press Putting church leadership on an apostolic footing, Brian J. Dodd helps you to see the necessity of prayer, followership, partnership, servanthood and willingness to run against the current if you are to lead where God wants you to lead.

GOD'S EMPOWERED PEOPLE

A PENTECOSTAL THEOLOGY OF THE LAITY

Wipf and Stock Publishers Professional ministers and their work as church leaders have dominated church and pastoral ministry studies. Lay ministry studies have been neglected. In the local church, lay ministries are often defined solely by their voluntary service in the local church, and even then are regarded as secondary to the work of the professional minister(s) leading the local church. This study proposes that the word "minister" should be applied to all believers and that professional ministers and their ministries should serve the larger group doing ministry: the laity. Lay ministry should not be understood only as that service done in the local church, but should be understood as a call received and obeyed by the laity to "do the work of ministry" in their work places and their neighborhoods, as well as their local churches. Following Amos Yong's theology of disability and the formation of the L'Arche communities found throughout the world, this *God's Empowered People* will show how the local church can welcome all in Christ's name into a community of the Spirit in which people are loved and respected for who they are. From such a welcoming, loving, and respectful community can come people of varying abilities who discover their special gifts of ministry, then take their gifts into the work world, market place, and neighborhoods to "do the work of ministry" in Christ's name. They will be able to go places and do things no professional minister could go or do, yet still need the professional minister to help prepare them to "do the work of ministry." Thus, professional and lay ministries are not competitive but complementary. In such a community of professional and lay ministries operating cooperatively, all have the opportunity to express wisely their gifts in their arenas of calling and influence.

TRANSFORMATIVE PASTORAL LEADERSHIP IN THE BLACK CHURCH

Springer Transformative Pastoral Leadership in the Black Church offers practical wisdom from comparative analysis of the experiences of a male pastor and a female pastor in the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church. Church leaders must be transformed themselves as they are transforming their churches to serve their communities. From his research of the perspectives of laity, clergy, and scholars of

the black church, Jeffery L. Tribble offers hopeful stories and helpful strategies for those who believe that the black church must continue its historic mission of being an instrument of survival, elevation, and liberation for its people. *Transformative Pastoral Leadership in the Black Church* is an important contribution to studies of black religion, womanist thought, and social justice.

REVOLUTION IN THE CHURCH: CHALLENGING THE RELIGIOUS SYSTEM WITH A CALL FOR RADICAL CHANGE

Kirkdale Press

RELATIONAL LEADERSHIP

A BIBLICAL GUIDE TO FELLOWSHIP

WestBow Press *Understanding leadership from a scriptural perspective is not a strong point in the American Christian community. This book is my attempt to put the experience of over twenty years of pastoring into written form for the benefit of others. Some lessons were learned through difficulties and mistakes. Some were learned by the teaching and example of others. I do believe that the pattern of congregational structure put forth in these pages is scriptural. It is a pattern that will work for large or small congregations. It has worked well in our congregations for many years. These are congregations planted especially to win the lost sheep of the house of Israel. If it can work in this context a field known for its difficulty it can probably work in most other contexts.*

RECOVERING FROM UN-NATURAL DISASTERS

A GUIDE FOR PASTORS AND CONGREGATIONS AFTER VIOLENCE AND TRAUMA

Westminster John Knox Press *Recovering from Un-Natural Disasters is a must-read handbook for pastors and church leaders of communities who could or perhaps already have experienced an un-natural disaster, such as gun violence, suicides, or sexual abuse. Unlike natural disasters, un-natural disasters deal with the concept of sin and require a different recovery strategy. In this book, readers will explore the four phases of human-caused disaster Devastation and Heroism, Disillusionment, Reforming, and Wisdom and receive step-by-step suggestions to use with their faith community during the recovery process. Example worship resources, including prayers, music suggestions, and sermons that are appropriate to use during periods of trauma and recovery, are included.*

WOMEN, CHURCH, AND LEADERSHIP: NEW PARADIGMS

ESSAYS IN HONOR OF JEAN MILLER SCHMIDT

Wipf and Stock Publishers *This book is about leadership, a scholarly and pastoral response to the urgent demand for the renewal of the contemporary Christian church. It challenges readers to articulate the identity and vision of the church in new ways, and encourages them to revitalize their ministry with fresh insight and passion from women's perspectives. The eight essays written by female scholars in relation to various areas of theological study and the nine pastoral responses to the essays written by ministers from seven different denominations, based on their experiences of actual ministerial settings, provide new paradigms of church leadership--theologically profound, practically relevant, and historically timely. This volume, a product of a collaborative process between academia and church, promises to be a most useful resource to renew the leadership of the church and its vocational commitment to the transformation of the church and society.*

THE MISSIONARY SELF-PERCEPTION OF PENTECOSTAL/CHARISMATIC CHURCH LEADERS FROM THE GLOBAL SOUTH IN EUROPE

BRINGING BACK THE GOSPEL

BRILL *Building on long-time research and extensive interviews, this ground-breaking study offers a portrait of pentecostal / charismatic immigrants from the global South who do not define themselves as victims but as expatriate agents with a calling to change Europe.*

LEADERSHIP FROM THE INSIDE OUT

EXAMINING THE INNER LIFE OF A HEALTHY CHURCH LEADER

Zondervan *You can serve God and his people for a lifetime and do it with passion and joy. You do not have to become another casualty in the growing number of leaders who have compromised their integrity, character, and ministry because they failed to lead an examined and accountable life. The road forward is clearly marked. Leaders must make a decision to humbly and consistently examine their inner lives and identify areas of needed change and growth. Also, wise leaders commit to listen to the voices of those who will love them enough to speak the truth and point out problems and potential pitfalls. Kevin Harney writes, "The vision of this book is to assist leaders as they discover the health, wisdom, and joy of living an examined life. It is also to give practical tools for self-examination." Sharing stories and wisdom from his years in ministry, Harney shows you how to maintain the most powerful tool in your leadership toolbox: YOU. Your heart, so you can love well. Your mind, so you can continue to learn and grow. Your ears, your eyes, your mouth ... consider this your essential guide to conducting your own complete interior health exam, so you can spot and fix any problems, preserve the things that matter most, and grow as a source of vision, strength, and hope to others.*

STRENGTHS OF A LEADER

Christian Faith Publishing, Inc. *One look at today's church, and it becomes obvious that our culture is influencing the church more than the church is influencing our culture. It has been said everything rises and falls on leadership. Too many in leadership, whether it's*

fear of being labeled irrelevant, out of touch, bigoted, intolerant or not walking in love have caved to the clamoring of this present godless culture. There is too much weight given to trends and statistics for church growth rather than prayer and getting before God for His plan. As leaders, we cannot expect those we lead to rise above this present culture if we in the pulpits have not done so. A leader must be the example he desires to see in his church, in his leadership and/or organization. Instead of depending on trends and stats on how to grow our churches or ministries, we must allow God to confirm His word with signs and wonders. People are hungry for the power of God in demonstration. The Apostle Paul said he didn't come preaching with eloquence but rather came with the power and demonstration of the Word of God. It's time to allow the power and demonstration of God's Word back in our churches. To do that, we must get back to the undeniable truths of the Word of God. God will confirm His word not some watered down version of it. It is time for Christian leaders in all areas of life to once again stand strong on the immovable principles of the Word of God. The tried and true principles of the Word of God will never change with the winds of what is "popular" or what's "accepted" by the majority. God honors His word. As leaders, when we become immovable in His word, we will once again become the church that influences our culture. We have a world to reach. Let's raise the standard among church leadership.

SERVANT LEADERSHIP NOW: ØSTEPPING-UP YOUR LEADERSHIP CALLÓ

Lulu.com From the beginning, Church leadership has played a significant role in furthering the kingdom of God. It was through the Church that God revealed the gospel message of Jesus Christ. God's plan includes men and women inspired by the Holy Spirit to share in the message of The Cross. The leadership plan was developed by God. Thus, as servant-leaders, we are called to implement and share in His plan-His agenda. Whether seasoned or new to leadership, it is an exciting time to be engaged in activities of research and personal learning for ministry. The activities in this workbook were designed to engage leaders in focused work dedicated to the World of God by reading, researching and working with scriptures. This will make individualized learning more meaningful.

THE LEADERSHIP BATON

AN INTENTIONAL STRATEGY FOR DEVELOPING LEADERS IN YOUR CHURCH

Zondervan The demand for quality leaders constantly outstrips the supply. If you're a pastor, team leader, staff member, or board member, you're always challenged with a leadership shortage. But what can you do about it? More than you've ever imagined. The Leadership Baton equips you with a solution that's time-proven and right at hand: church-based leadership development. More and more churches are adopting it, and no wonder—the principles that made the early church such a spiritual powerhouse are just as effective today. Leadership was never a matter of institutional learning or professional expertise. Rather, starting with Jesus and his apostles, it involved seasoned leaders passing the baton to ordinary people right within the local body of believers. That same approach can help ensure your own church is never at a loss for dependable men and women to enter the leadership race with wisdom, vision and passion. Drawing on the field-tested expertise of the Center for Church Based Training, The Leadership Baton will help you get the leaders you need up and running, developing leadership qualities they can in turn hand off to other up-and-coming leaders. Part 1 casts a vision for church-based leadership training—not merely a program, but a leadership development culture based on biblical and historical foundations. Part 2 presents a whole-life approach to leadership development that is wisdom-based (through courses), relationship-based (through the church community), and personal (through mentoring). Part 3 describes a comprehensive plan for leadership development, then breaks it down to target the needs of governing boards, emerging leaders, pastoral staffs, and interns. With discussion questions at the end of each chapter, this book concludes with two appendices, including a self-inventory for church leaders to help them assess their personal strengths and weak areas that need development. Put the principles in The Leadership Baton to work with patience, and in time your church will never lack the right people at the right time to help it fulfill its kingdom mission.