



The Good Fight Fight for Leaders Worth Following

People are quick to equate good leadership with position and power. But in Jesus' leadership model, those things are secondary.

Scripture:

He must manage his own family well, having children who respect and obey him. For if a man cannot manage his own household, how can he take care of God's church?

1st Timothy 3:4-5

So a church leader must be a man whose life is above reproach. He must be faithful to his wife.[a] He must exercise self-control, live wisely, and have a good reputation. He must enjoy having guests in his home, and he must be able to teach.³ He must not be a heavy drinker[b] or be violent. He must be gentle, not quarrelsome, and not love money.

1st Timothy 3:2-3

Icebreaker and Intro Questions:

1. Would you consider yourself a leader? Why or why not? (There's no wrong answer here)
2. What resonated with you from Sunday's service? (Sermon, scripture, song, etc.)

Discussion Questions

3. Read 1st Timothy 3:4-5 together as a group. Eddie shared that the first thing a leader is to do is to succeed at home first. Why is this so vital to the life of a leader?
4. Read 1st Timothy 3:2-3 together as a group. Eddie shared that the second thing a leader is to do is live a life worth living. What is Paul encouraging Timothy to do with these verses?
5. Eddie concluded with this final point, "leaders resist the urge to serve ourselves." How can this be tempting and damage leaders?

Additional Resources:

- Want to learn more about the book of 1 Timothy? Watch this video from the Bible Project that gives an illustrated overview: 1 Timothy.
- Everywhere Westsiders go this fall, we want to be known as people who Make It Awesome. We will choose joy, show up for worship weekly, build life-changing friendships, and live selflessly. For resources, visit www.wschurch.org/awesome.

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