

Learning to Lead with Godly Confidence

Wisdom Bestows Well-Being (read Proverbs 3:1-23a below, and circle key points)

My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart, ²for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity.

³Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. ⁴Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.

⁵Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

⁷Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil. ⁸This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.

⁹Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; ¹⁰then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

¹¹My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline, and do not resent his rebuke, ¹²because the LORD disciplines those he loves, as a father the son he delights in.

¹³Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding, ¹⁴for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. ¹⁵She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her. ¹⁶Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. ¹⁷Her ways are pleasant ways, and all her paths are peace. ¹⁸She is a tree of life to those who take hold of her; those who lay hold her will be blessed.

¹⁹By wisdom the LORD laid the earth's foundations, by understanding he set the heavens in place; ²⁰by his knowledge the watery depths were divided, and the clouds let drop the dew.

²¹My son, do not let wisdom and understanding out of your sight, preserve sound judgment and discernment; ²²they will be life for you, an ornament to grace your neck. ²³Then you will go on your way in safety, and your foot will not stumble.

Questions to ponder:

- Have you ever asked yourself "what is a Spiritual leader of the home?" _____
- Who is to be the Spiritual leader of the home? _____
- Who has given us the guidelines to be a Spiritual leader? _____
- What are some key traits which come to mind to be a spiritual leader? _____

Talking Points

Traits of a Spiritual Leader

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| 1) He models a Godly life | 22) Models honesty / integrity | 43) Prays continually all day |
| 2) Seeks Godly wisdom | 23) Accountable to others | 44) Not controlling to others |
| 3) Says “sorry” and means it | 24) Submissive /obedient to God | 45) Gives back of time & energy |
| 4) Lives a God Centered life | 25) Controls his tongue | 46) Seeks out God in situation |
| 5) Knows God & His ways | 26) Forgives quick & moves on | 47) In conflicts “His adult is on board” |
| 6) Models a servant’s heart | 27) Show meekness to others | 48) Knows life is school for eternity |
| 7) Guides family with love | 28) Shows grace to others | 49) Lives life by 80/10/10 plan |
| 8) Good provider of the family | 29) Consistent Godly lifestyle | 50) Shows generosity in life |
| 9) Gives security to family | 30) Seeks God’s promises | 51) Less self / more God focused |
| 10) Sensitive to others | 31) Leads by example | 52) Seeks a quick resolution in conflicts |
| 11) Empathizes with others | 32) Is a man of his word | 53) Shows vision & direction w/ God |
| 12) Edifying to others | 33) Self-controlled / disciplined | 54) Strives to manage God’s resources |
| 13) Godly confidence | 34) Seeks to understand | 55) Continually growing & learning |
| 14) Humble / non-prideful | 35) Memorizes Bible verses | 56) Cherishes his wife |
| 15) Faces his fears in life | 36) Encourages others | 57) Speaks his wife’s love language |
| 16) Does what is right | 37) Learns the skill of listening | 58) Seeks to find purpose in life |
| 17) Trusts God in the situation | 38) Spends alone time w/God | 59) Expects God’s promises |
| 18) Confesses the sin/moves on | 39) Know how to have fun | 60) Lives life by “Fruits of the Spirit”
(Gal.5) |
| 19) Transparency to others | 40) Knows we’re all broken | |
| 20) Calm / steadfast in life | 41) Owns his part of a situation | |
| 21) Learns it’s OK to say “no” | 42) Seeks godly talents /gifts | |

List a few areas that you could begin to start implementing in your life. _____

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Galatians 5:22-23 (NIV)