

## 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, <sup>2</sup>for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity.*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

*<sup>21</sup>My son, do not let wisdom and understanding out of your sight, preserve sound judgment and discernment; <sup>22</sup>they will be life for you, an ornament to grace your neck. <sup>23</sup>Then 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”<br>(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. \_\_\_\_\_

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***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)