

Be a Great Leader

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1. Know who you are

- ***Jesus said, "I am the light of the world...the bread of life...the Son of God...the way, the truth, and the life."*** *John chapter 6 verse 35 (814), chapter 8 verse 12 (817), chapter 9 verse 5 (818), chapter 14 verse 6 (823)*

☒ Who are you?

In Christ, I am...

- God's loved child - *John 1:12*
- Jesus' friend - *John 15:15*
- forgiven - *Ephesians 1:8*
- God's masterpiece - *Ephesians 2:10*
- complete - *Ephesians 3:19*
- victorious - *Romans 8:37, 1 John 5:4*
- free from my past - *Romans 8:2*
- brand new - *2 Corinthians 5:17*

2. Know who you're living for

- ***Jesus said before His crucifixion, "I brought glory to You here on earth by completing the work You gave Me to do."***

John chapter 17 verse 4 (825)

- ***Jesus said, "No one can serve two masters."***

Luke chapter 16 verse 13 (799)

☒ Who are you living for? Really??

3. Know your purpose

- ***Jesus said His reason for coming to earth was "to seek and save those who are lost."***

Luke chapter 19 verse 10 (801)

- ***Jesus said, "It is finished!" Then He bowed his head and released his spirit.***

John chapter 19 verse 30 (827)

☒ What's your reason for being on earth? How are you doing in accomplishing your purpose?

4. Don't do life alone

- ***Then Jesus appointed twelve of them and called them His apostles. They were to accompany Him....***

Mark chapter 3 verse 14 (763)

- ***"...bad company corrupts good character."***

1 Corinthians chapter 15 verse 33 (880)

☒ Who have you chosen to do life with?

5. Focus on the important stuff

- ***As the time drew near for Him to ascend to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem.***

Luke chapter 9 verse 51 (791)

- ***Jesus said, “Anyone who puts a hand to the plow & then looks back is not fit for the Kingdom of God.”***

Luke chapter 9 verse 62 (791)

- ☒ Are you focusing on the important stuff in your life? How would you know?

6. Stay connected to God

- ***...the report of Jesus’ power spread even faster, and vast crowds came to hear Him preach and to be healed of their diseases. But Jesus often withdrew to the wilderness for prayer.***

Luke chapter 5 verses 15 & 16 (785)

- ***Jesus said, “I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in Me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from Me you can do nothing.”***

John chapter 15 verse 5 (824)

- ☒ How well are you as the branch, connected to Jesus, the vine?? What will you do to strengthen your connection to Jesus?

More

- Go through each of the 6 areas covered in this talk and honestly interact with the closing question in each section.
- What do you learn about yourself in working through these questions?
- What needs to change in your life so you can be a great leader?
- What area of your life is out of control & in desperate need of great personal leadership? What steps will you take to make positive changes in this area?

Next week: Be Yourself