

# The Essence of Leading Like Jesus

Mark 6:31-56, 10:35-45; Luke 6:12-16; John 13:6-14  
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We believe that the church is called to equip people to “lead like Jesus” in the home, in the congregation, in the community, in the marketplace and in the world. We believe that our world stands in desperate need of servant leaders, people of integrity, committed to excellence and teamwork, in every sphere of life. We desire to engage in continuous leadership development within the church, and to raise up leaders who will be respected and sought for their wisdom and their skills by those outside the church as well.

## Introduction:

**Why should I care to Lead Like Jesus?**

**What is Leadership?**

Definition: Anytime you seek to influence the thinking, behavior, or development of people toward accomplishing a goal in their personal or professional lives, you are taking on the role of the leader.

Leadership Cycle:

Personal → One-on-one → Team/Family → Organization/Community

## The Domains:

**What are the Intentions and Motivations in Leading Like Jesus (HEART)?**

Edging God Out – Fear and Pride

Exalting God Only – Humility and Confidence

**What Beliefs about Leadership and Influence do we learn from Jesus (HEAD)?**

Vision and Direction

Implementation

**What are the Methods and Behaviors of Leading Like Jesus (HANDS)?**

Good Carpenter and Good Leader Principles

The Way of the Carpenter (Novice, Apprentice, Journeyman, Master)

**What are the Disciplines to Keep Focused on Leading Like Jesus (HABITS)?**

Practicing Solitude

Experiencing Prayer

Applying Scripture

Abiding in God's Unconditional Love

Maintaining Supportive Relationships

## Conclusion:

**Are YOU willing to Lead Like Jesus?**

## Daily Bible Readings June 29—July 5

### Follow Throughs

**Monday Ezekiel 36:26-27; Matthew 3:13-17; Jeremiah 9:23-24; Philippians 4:6-7**

What do these passages reveal about the HEART of a servant leader? What insights into fear, pride, humility and confidence do they provide?

**Tuesday 1 Corinthians 4:1-2; Colossians 3:23-24; James 2:18-19; Romans 12:9-10**

What is the source of your personal vision? What HEAD insights do we learn about vision, values, beliefs and implementation?

**Wednesday Matthew 4:18-22; Joshua 24:15; 1 Corinthians 3:5-6**

Consider how Jesus called you and the purpose for which you were called.

**Thursday Matthew 4:18-20; 17:15-20; 14:26-32; 28:19-20**

Describe how Jesus demonstrated different ways of developing His disciples as they grew - novice, apprentice, journeyman and master (carpenter HANDS).

**Friday Psalm 1:2-3; Mark 1:32-38; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; John 15:12-15**

What do these verses reveal about our HABITS to keep our focus on Jesus?

### Warm-Ups

**Saturday Psalm 33**

What do these verses tell us about God's reign over creation and over the nations? Pray for our nation today in light of these perspectives.

**Sunday Genesis 12:1-9**

What promises did God make to Abraham? How did Abraham respond? In what ways has blessing come to the world through Abraham and his descendants?