

Five Essentials

for a Spiritual Leader

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Key Verse

To be the greatest, be a servant. -Matthew 23:11

My Example:

1. I must: leadership.

To be the greatest, be a servant. -Matthew 23:11b (TLB)

Servant based leadership requires

- a. Jesus knew His and was willing to not flaunt it.
b. Jesus knew His and was willing to be faithful to it.
c. Jesus knew His and was willing to submit to it.

[see also John 13:3 (NIJ)]

2. I must: and

The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me. -Psalms 138:8 (ESV)

Live life with a due sense of responsibility, not as those who do not know the meaning of life but as those who do. -Ephesians 5:15 (PH)

3. I must:

Summing it all up, friends, I'd say you'll do best by filling your minds and meditating on things true, noble, reputable, authentic, compelling, gracious—the best, not the worst; the beautiful, not the ugly; things to praise, not things to curse. 9 Put into practice what you learned. -Philippians 4:8-9a (MSG)

4. I must:

The second most important commandment says: Love others as much as you love yourself. -Mark 12:31a (CEV)

5. I must:

You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. -2 Corinthians 9:11 (NIJ)

[see also Luke 16:9b (NLT); Romans 12:20 (MSG)]

My Response:

1. Receive Romans 5:17 (TEV)

2. Remember Psalms 119:19 (TEV); Hebrews 13:14 (TLB)

3. Reject Jeremiah 2:13 (NLT)

4. Reach Out Philippians 2:15 (MSG)

Small Group Discussion Questions:

- 1. Review the 5 essentials for a spiritual leader.
2. Discuss what these qualities insight in people around you.
3. What are the benefits to living with these traits engrained in your life?
4. Take time right now to pray for the needs in your group.

Answer Key:

others; God's grace daily; this life is temporary; man-made solutions; with God's love
priorities: live and enhance relationships; focus on building relationships; seeds that benefit
precious servant-based; security; position; calling; future; find my purpose; live my