



It's About Time to: Lead!

We are in a series called 'It's About Time, Don't Be Late.' As followers of Jesus, we are called to be leaders in society. It's About Time you lead!

Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. Ephesians 5:16

Make the most of every opportunity to lead others closer to Jesus.

Many people think 'leadership' is just for business owners, managers, pastors, military, or others with titles. This is not the biblical model.

In the Kingdom of God, every child of God is called to be a leader by being an influencer.



It's About Time to: Understand Biblical Leadership

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came over and spoke to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do us a favor." Mark 10:35

They replied, "When you sit on your glorious throne, we want to sit in places of honor next to you, one on your right and the other on your left." Mark 10:37

The other disciples hear them and are indignant!

So Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers in this world lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them.” Mark 10:42

The world’s idea of leadership is titles, privilege, power...

“But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant,”⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first among you must be the slave of everyone else.”

Mark 10:43-44

“For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give His life as a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45

Among the church it’s supposed to be different!

Leadership isn’t about a Title but a TOWEL

Before the Passover celebration, Jesus knew that His hour had come to leave this world and return to His Father. He had loved His disciples during His ministry on earth, and now He loved them to the very end. John 13:1

Jesus took time to demonstrate His love.

So He got up from the table, took off His robe, wrapped a towel around His waist,⁵ and poured water into a basin. Then He began to wash the disciples’ feet, drying them with the towel He had around Him. John 13:4-5

The wash basin was always by the door as you entered.

After washing their feet, He put on His robe again and sat down and asked, “Do you understand what I was doing?”¹³ You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and you are right, because that’s what I am.¹⁴ And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other’s feet.¹⁵ **I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you.** John 13:12-15

It’s About Time to: Lead BY EXAMPLE

I’m not asking you to grab a title, I’m asking you to grab a towel!

You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father. Matthew 5:14-16

Lead with your life! Be the Light of the World!

Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. **Be an example to all believers** in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity. 1 Timothy 4:12

Young or old, you can lead with your life.

Understand Leadership is INFLUENCE

We make it more complicated, but at its core, leadership is influence.

“Go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Matthew 28:19-20

Let's be influencers for Jesus. Let's not just talk about it, let's live it.

You may ask, “What is a disciple?”

My Next Steps:

- ☐ Attend Connect Group Leader Info Meeting TODAY
- ☐ Host a Connect Group this Fall for 10 weeks

It's About Time to: Lead with Generosity

One way to influence others for God is by giving.

The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed. Proverbs 11:25

As you give, you lead others to connect to Christ, and He will refresh you.

The infographic is divided into two main sections. The left section, on a light gray background, is titled 'HOW TO GIVE' and 'WAYS TO GIVE'. The right section, on a dark gray background, lists four methods of giving, each preceded by a numbered label in a small purple box: 'ONE', 'TWO', 'THREE', and 'FOUR'. Each method is followed by a bold title and a line of smaller text providing details or instructions.

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