



Leadership Stinks

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“For [in the Kingdom of Heaven] many are called,
but few are chosen.”

Matthew 22:14



A close-up photograph of a person's hands cupped together, holding a mound of dark, rich soil. The lighting is soft and focused on the hands and soil, with a blurred background. The overall tone is earthy and contemplative.

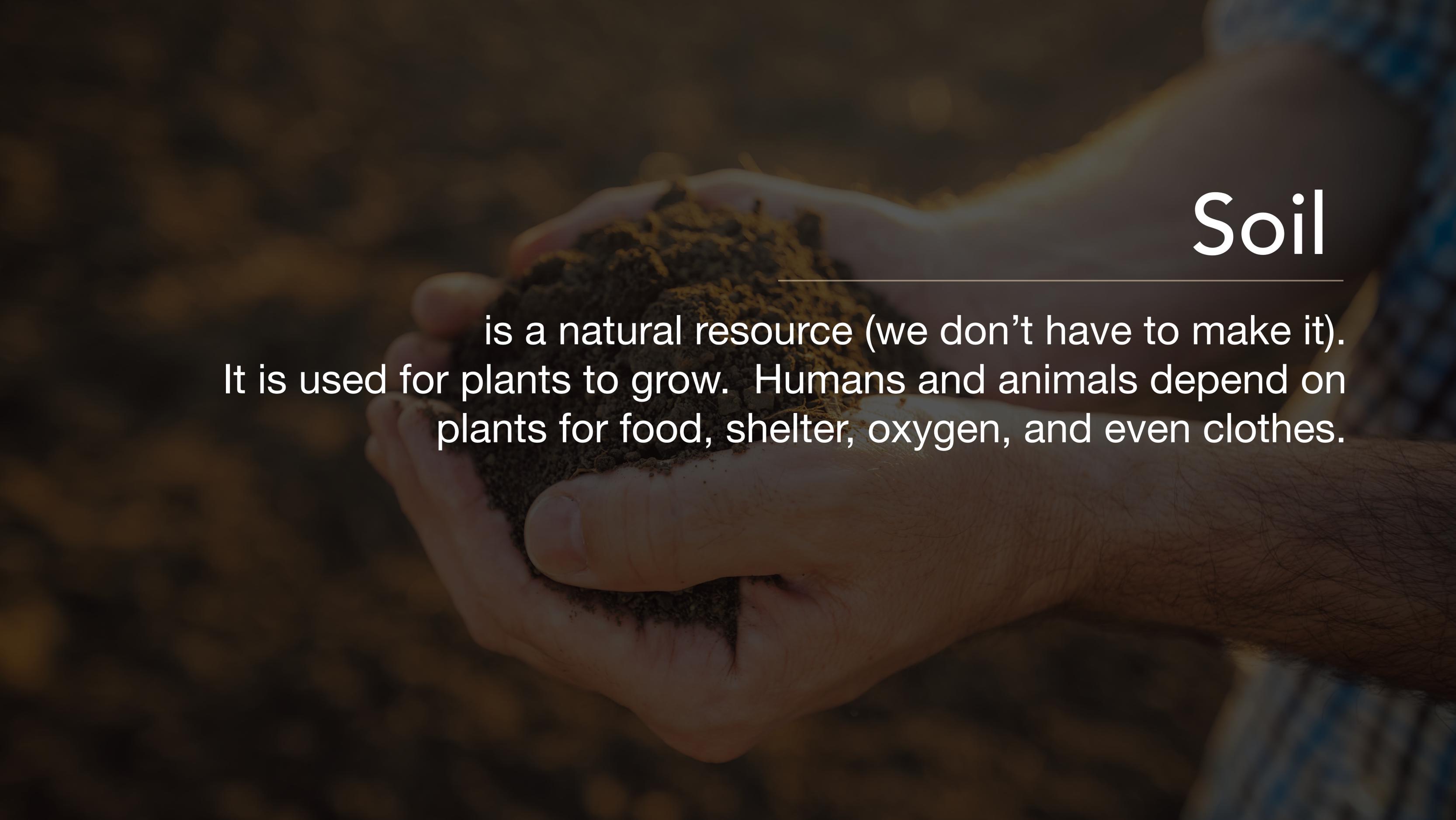
Humility

from Latin, *humilis* 'low, lowly',
from *humus* 'ground'

Leadership Misconceptions

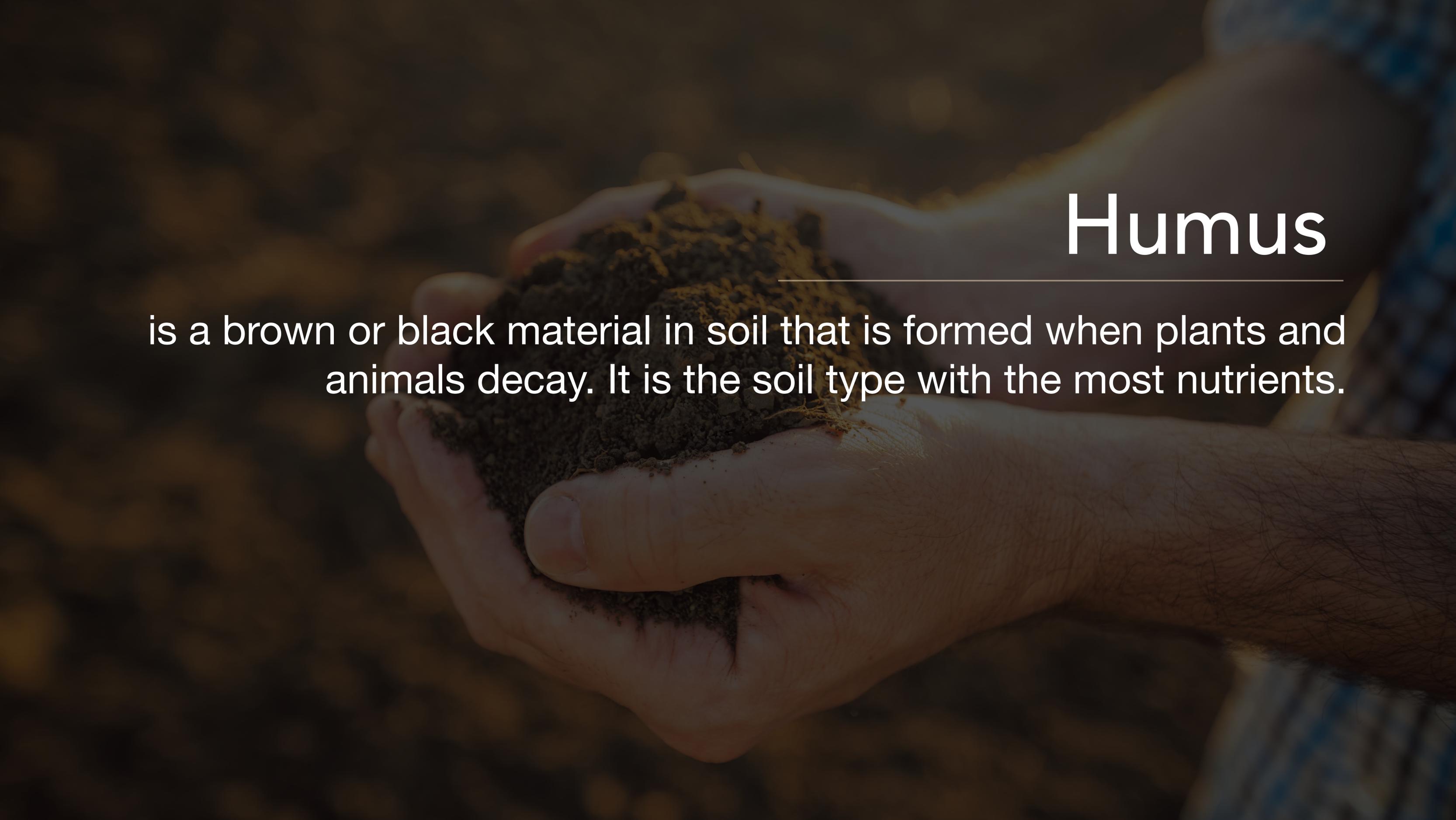
1. "Godly leadership" is relegated to church leadership
2. Leadership comes with a title
3. Leadership requires a certain personality type



A close-up photograph of a person's hands cupped together, holding a mound of dark, rich soil. The background is blurred, showing more soil and a person's arm in a blue and white plaid shirt. The overall lighting is soft and natural.

Soil

is a natural resource (we don't have to make it). It is used for plants to grow. Humans and animals depend on plants for food, shelter, oxygen, and even clothes.



Humus

is a brown or black material in soil that is formed when plants and animals decay. It is the soil type with the most nutrients.

¹⁸ “No one takes [my life] from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

John 10:18 ESV

17 “For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life
that I may take it up again.”

John 10:17 ESV

1⁶ For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

1 Thessalonians 4:16 ESV

⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Hebrews 10:8 ESV

¹¹Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. ¹²His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself.

Revelation 19:11-15 ESV

13 He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God.

Revelation 19:11-15 ESV

**¹Who is this who comes from Edom, in crimsoned garments from Bozrah, he who is splendid in his apparel, marching in the greatness of his strength? "It is I, speaking in righteousness, mighty to save."
²Why is your apparel red, and your garments like his who treads in the winepress?**

Isaiah 63:1-6 ESV

³“I have trodden the winepress alone, and from the peoples no one was with me; I trod them in my anger and trampled them in my wrath; their lifeblood spattered on my garments, and stained all my apparel.

⁴For the day of vengeance was in my heart, and my year of redemption had come.

Isaiah 63:1-6 ESV

⁵I looked, but there was no one to help; I was appalled, but there was no one to uphold; so my own arm brought me salvation, and my wrath upheld me. ⁶I trampled down the peoples in my anger; I made them drunk in my wrath, and I poured out their lifeblood on the earth.”

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⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:6-11 ESV

⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

Romans 5:6-11 ESV

¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Romans 5:6-11 ESV

¹⁴And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses.

Revelation 19:11-15 ESV

¹⁵From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty.

Revelation 19:11-15 ESV

Who is a Godly Leader?

1. the one who doesn't need to lead



²⁵But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ²⁶It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,

Matthew 20:25-28 ESV

²⁷and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, ²⁸even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Matthew 20:25-28 ESV

Who is a Godly Leader?

1. the one who doesn't need to lead
2. the one who doesn't seek a title



8“But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all brothers...”

11The greatest among you shall be your servant.

12Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

Matthew 23:8, 11-12 ESV

Who is a Godly Leader?

1. the one who doesn't need to lead
2. the one who doesn't seek a title
3. the one who is under authority



¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20 ESV

¹⁴I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20 ESV