# TRANSFORMED

HOW THE GOSPEL CHANGES US FROM THE INSIDE OUT



#### Transformed Leadership | Authority

- The WHY of leadership
  The WHO of leadership
- 3. The HOW of leadership
- 4. The WHERE of leadership

"This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, <u>and</u> appoint elders in every town as I directed you—" - Titus 1:5

## Soundness and Order



*"if anyone is above reproach, the* husband of one wife, and his children are believers and not open to the charge of debauchery or insubordination. For an overseer, as God's steward, must be above reproach."...

- Titus 1:6-8

*"He must not be arrogant or quick*tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain, but hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined." - Titus 1:6-8

I Tim 3 1-7 The saying is trustworthy: *If anyone aspires to the office of* overseer, he desires a noble task. Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach...

I Tim 3 1-7 ... not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive...

I Tim 3 1-7 ... for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil...

I Tim 3 1-7 ... Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.

- Above reproach
- Husband of one wife
- Children are believers
- hospitable
- lover of good
- *self-controlled/upright*
- Holy /disciplined

# 3. The HOW of leadership *How does leadership look when lived out correctly and biblically ?*

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Titus 1:9 He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it.

- a. Character over Charisma
- b. Operate out of the fruit of the spirit over the gifts of the spirit
- c. Teaching timeless truth over trendy, timely, hot button topics
- d. Stewardship over ownership
- e. Christ pleasing over people pleasing

"Well many churches today try to choose pastors who, in one way or another, are headline hitter and platform heroes. Eloquence, certain skills, personality, and force are the things that matter. They are looking for qualities that will make the pastor stand out in the larger Christian scene... The thought is that such a pastor will, on the one hand, be attractive to those who are not yet members of the congregation..."

"...which makes the congregational members themselves stand out as 'special' that is the key phrase I think, they get special wisdom from their special pastor. Being 'special' is the Achilles heel of many churches today." - JI Packer

Where to start?

1 Peter 5 :1-5 So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed: shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly;

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1 Peter 5 :1-5 ... not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."