

A silhouette of a shepherd standing on a grassy hill, holding a long staff. Three sheep are visible in the foreground, also silhouetted against the bright, hazy sky of a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

INTRO TO BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP

8 Foundations for Spiritual growth

- Grace as the cornerstone
- Gospel/salvation
- Identity in Christ
- View of God
- Ministry of the Spirit
- Word of God
- Participation in body life
- Worship

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- Our view of God will determine the importance we place on our role within the body, our service, and our leadership.
- Discipleship Foundation: A proper view and understanding of the nature and character of God. How a person views God is probably the most important thing about them. Our thinking about Him will inform what we believe about Him, impacting how we live.
 - Does my view of God come from a biblical understanding or is it just a perception I have about God based on my feelings or experiences?
 - Does my view accurately reflect who He really is, and am I growing in knowing Him more and more? Philippians 3:8-10 | Ephesians 1:15-19 | 2 Peter 3:18

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- View of God: the way in which we see or perceive God.
May or may not be accurate.
- knowledge of God: what we know about and of God.
 - Has an intellectual component and an experiential component.

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- Consider why this subject would be important as a foundation in the growth of a believer.
- Why is this a leadership topic? What is so important from the leader's perspective?

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- Identify the major issues surrounding this principle that a leader should be aware of if they are going to lead in the right direction and know where the struggles will be:
- Don't forget to consider what you will need to deconstruct.

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- What are some key passages to explain this principle?

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- Jn. 16:14 Glorify me by taking what is mine and declaring it to you.
- Phil. 3:8-10 Loss except the knowledge of Jesus, being found in Him, to know Him and the power of His resurrection and suffering.
- Eph. 1:15-19 Prayer for wisdom and revelation, understanding and exceeding greatness of His power.
- 2 Pete 3:18 grow in ...the knowledge of the Lord.
- Titus 1:16 profess to know God but deny Him in works.
- 1 Jn. 2:3 Keeping His commandments shows that we know Him.
- 2 Cor. 10:5 cast down arguments and anything against the knowledge of God
- 2 Peter 1:2-11 Grace and peace in the knowledge of God, called by glory and virtue... so that you are neither barren nor unfruitful in this knowledge
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- Additional issues to consider:

- Names of God.
- Attributes of God.