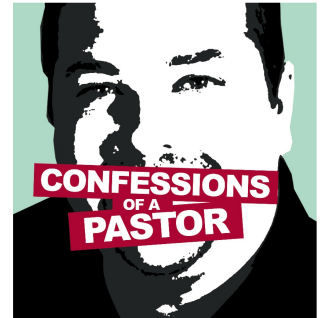


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The belief that one person can do something great is a myth. There are no real Rambos who can take an entire hostile army by themselves. Even the Lone Ranger wasn't alone—he had Tonto! The Tennessee frontiersman Daniel Boone had companions from the Transylvania Company as he blazed the wilderness road. Sheriff Wyatt Earp had his two brothers and Doc Holliday. Aviator Charles Lindbergh had the backing of nine businessmen from St. Louis. All of these are people who realized that they couldn't do it alone—they needed people. And they led people.

BIG IDEA: Team based leadership maximizes strengths and minimizes weaknesses.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What was your strongest subject in school? What was your weakest? What subject came very easy for you? What subject did you spend most of the time on?
2. Do you agree that we should focus on your strengths and not on our weaknesses? Why or why not?
3. With raised arms, Bibles in hand, see who can keep them up the longest. How does this feel, keeping your arms raised for a lengthy period of time? Have two people prop up the arms of another person in the group. What happens after doing this for 12 hours with another person?
4. What type leadership is exerted here in Exodus 17 by Moses? Joshua? Aaron and Hur? With what varying results?
5. 1 Timothy 2:2 says that “We are to pray for those in authority over us.” How can you pray for the pastors here at oneChurch?
6. Do you agree with Chris when he says, “Nothing of significant value has been achieved by a lone individual?” Explain.
7. Why do you think people are hesitant about being on a team?
8. The idea of team-based leadership forces a solitary leader to admit some things about themselves and the situation. Name some of those things.
9. What challenges/problems do you currently face that would be easier if you were part of a team?

THINK ABOUT IT

I've talked to married people aching for intimacy, kids who crave real friendships, teenagers who battle feelings of isolation. Single adults that long for married companionship. Older people feel abandoned and forgotten. Even pastors—you know, the ones who seem to have it all together—often feel lost in the hollowness of their souls. And God hates it. Because it's not good for men or women to be alone.

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

No matter how good Michael Jordan is at basketball, he's not the whole team. Even a mediocre team could beat a fantastic player. What are you going to do to become a part of a larger team here at oneChurch?

CHANGING YOUR MIND

When Moses' father-in-law saw all that Moses was doing for the people, he asked, “What are you really accomplishing here? Why are you trying to do this *all alone* while everyone stands around you from morning till evening?” “This is not good!” Moses' father-in-law exclaimed. “You're going to wear yourself out—and the people, too. This job is too heavy a burden for you to handle all by yourself.

Exodus 18:14, 17

VERSES TO GO DEEPER

Exodus 17:8-15; Exodus 18, Ecclesiastes 4:8-12, Psalm 25:16, 2 Timothy 2:2, Titus 1:1-9, 1 Timothy 3:1-7

