# **Bless Your Team**

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## Leadership is <u>influence</u> and <u>everybody</u> has influence.

- **Q:** Where do you have influence?
- Q: How are you using your influence?

## 5 ways to BLESS your Team.

### 1. Build your team.

### • Build a team that's committed.

#### Luke 5

<sup>27</sup> Later, as Jesus left the town, he saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at his tax collector's booth. *"Follow me and be my disciple,"* Jesus said to him.
So Levi got up, left everything, and followed him.

### • Build a team that's excited.

### Luke 5

<sup>29</sup> Later, Levi held a banquet in his home with Jesus as the guest of honor. Many of Levi's fellow tax collectors and other guests also ate with them.

### • Build a team that's different.

### Luke 6

<sup>12</sup> One day soon afterward Jesus went up on the mountain to pray, and he prayed to God all night long. <sup>13</sup> At daybreak he called together all of his disciples and chose twelve of them to be apostles.

### 2. Lead your team.

### Tell them what you're <u>doing</u> and <u>invite</u> them to join you.

Luke 6 (Sermon on the Mount) <sup>40</sup> "Students are not greater than their teacher. But the student who is fully trained will become like his teacher. <sup>46</sup> So why do you keep calling me 'Lord, Lord!" when you don't do what I say?"

### Tell them where you're going and <u>invite</u> them to join you.

Luke 8

<sup>22</sup> One day Jesus said to his disciples, "Let's cross to the other side of the lake." So they got into a boat and started out. (2 miracles followed their obedience)

### 3. <u>Empower</u> your team.

#### • Give them <u>power</u> and <u>permission</u>.

Luke 9

<sup>1</sup> One day Jesus called together his 12 disciples (apostles) and gave them power and authority to cast out demons and to heal all diseases. <sup>2</sup> Then he sent them out to tell everybody about the Kingdom of God and to heal the sick.

#### • Give them a <u>plan</u>.

#### Luke 9

<sup>3</sup> "Take nothing for your journey," he instructed them. "Don't take a walking stick, a traveler's bag, food, money, or even a change of clothes.

<sup>4</sup> Wherever you go, stay in the same house until you leave town. <sup>5</sup> And if a town refuses to welcome you, shake it's dust from your feet as you leave."

### 4. <u>Serve</u> your team.

#### • Kingdom Leaders are <u>servant</u> leaders.

#### Luke 22

<sup>24</sup> They (disciples) began to argue among themselves about who would be the greatest among them.
<sup>25</sup> Jesus told them, "In this world the kings and great men lord it over the people, yet they are called 'friends of the people.' <sup>26</sup> But among you it will be different. Those who are the greatest among you should take the lowest rank, and the leader should be like a servant."

#### • Kingdom Leaders are present leaders.

#### Luke 22

<sup>27</sup> Who is more important, the one who sits at the table or the one who serves? The one who sits at the table of course. But not here! For I am among you as one who serves."

### 5 <u>Sacrifice</u> for your team.

#### Luke 22

<sup>14</sup> When the time came, Jesus and the apostles sat down together at the table. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said, "I have been very eager to share this Passover meal with you before my suffering begins." <sup>19</sup> He took some bread and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me." <sup>20</sup> After supper he took another cup of wine and said, "This cup is the new covenant between God and his people - an agreement confirmed with my blood, which is poured out as a sacrifice for you."

When you sacrifice for your TEAM your team will sacrifice for your MISSION.

# Questions.

**Q:** Which one of these 5 do you need to work on?

\_\_\_\_ Build your team

\_\_\_\_\_ Lead your team

\_\_\_\_\_ Empower your team

\_\_\_\_\_ Serve your team

\_\_\_\_\_ Sacrifice for your team

- **Q:** Have you ever led a <u>winning</u> team? Why was it successful?
- **Q:** Have you ever led a <u>losing</u> team? Why did it fail?

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**Q:** Who has "influence" on your team besides you?

**Q:** Are you leveraging "their influence" to help you lead?

**Prayer:** God, thank you for inviting me to be "on your team" and thank you for the opportunity to serve others as their leader. Help me use my influence today to display your goodness and your glory to those around me. Help me to "follow you" as I lead others. Amen.