

LEADING FROM JOY

with Season Bowers

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There is no greater joy than the good news of the gospel. We are meant to be powered by this joy and share it with others. The joy found in Jesus is the strength we need in order to lead others well. Unfortunately joy is too often missing in the role of a leader. Leadership is a tremendous honor and responsibility, often labeled as a burden. But the invitation is to bear the burden to the foot of the cross and exchange it for joy.

Jesus was the greatest leader of all time. He was filled with joy, he led with joy, and brought joy to everyone who would receive it. As leaders who follow Jesus, we too can lead from joy and with joy.

A JOYFUL LEADER'S CORE VALUES

GRATITUDE

Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus. – 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

- A joyful leader keeps gratitude on the forefront of their mind. They remain humble, recognizing the gifts and unique contribution of those around them.
- A joyful leader rejoices always, looking for Jesus in every situation and trusting in his faithfulness.

FORGIVENESS

Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. - Col 3:13 NLT

- A joyful leader keeps watch over their heart and make forgiveness a regular practice.

- A joyful leader recognizes their weaknesses and blind spots and with humility pursues growth while extending grace to others who are doing the same.

FLEXIBILITY

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. – Galatians 5:25

- Joyful leaders are led by the spirit so they must remain flexible to move with the spirit.
- Joyful leaders remain committed to their mission and calling but remain open to new strategies and suggestions.

REST

Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. - Mathew 11:28-30 MSG

- Joyful leaders are led by Jesus to the peaceful streams to be refreshed and filled to flow with joy.
- Joyful leaders recognize that the Lord is in control and by honoring the sabbath principal place trust in him and set the standard for others to lead from joy.

INVITE SEASON TO SPEAK

Season would love to speak at your church, event, or to your staff. She is available to travel and will work within your budget.

- Joyful leader training seminars
- Personal coaching
- Speaking
- Prayer and encouragement ministry

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