

Most people know or have heard that Jesus Christ was a great teacher, but have you ever paused to consider the impact of His life as a leader?

"One person trained twelve human beings who went on to so influence the world that time itself is now recorded as being before (B.C.) or after (A.D.) His existence." —*Jesus, CEO* by Laurie Beth Jones

"This person worked with a staff that was totally human and not divine—a staff that in spite of illiteracy, questionable backgrounds, fractious feelings, and momentary cowardice—went on to accomplish the tasks He trained them to do. They did this for one main reason: to be with Him again." —*Jesus, CEO* by Laurie Beth Jones

"His leadership style was intended to be put to use by any of us." —*Jesus, CEO* by Laurie Beth Jones

Jesus said, "Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit?" —Luke 6:39

Action without direction is a dangerous thing. When you lose your vision, you risk great consequence in life.

Vision is essential in leadership.

"Leadership is lifting a person's vision to higher sights, the raising of a person's performance to a higher standard, the building of a personality beyond its normal limitations." —Peter Drucker

How is vision developed?

- Experience
- Knowledge
- Imagination
- Adversity

"The greatest force for human achievement and advancement is a great hope held in common."
—Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

Why is vision repeatedly discussed and re-viewed?

...fall into a ditch... —Luke 6:39



RED FLAGS FOR Life & Leadership

• Vision Energizes Life

Without vision the people perish. —Proverbs 29:18

Vision changes the way you see and interpret your reality. Vision gives you the ability to keep climbing.

• Vision Prioritizes Focus

Vision helps you to remember where to look and keep your focus.

• Vision Mobilizes Teams

Vision is the reason beyond the task. Every great achievement in life requires a series of necessary tasks and responsibilities that may not be fun, exciting or enjoyable. However, vision enables a group of people to come together and achieve the greater good. Lose your vision and you lose the mobilizing force of your team.

"A task without vision is drudgery. A vision without a task is a dream. A task with vision is hope."

• Vision Realizes Dreams

How can my vision be renewed?

Action Steps Toward Vision Renewal:

- **Assess**—Where are you in experience, knowledge, imagination and adversity?
- **Aspire**—What matters to you?
- **Aim**—What are you doing about your vision today?
- **Align**—What will you sacrifice to get there?
- **Ask**—Have you prayed? Ask for God's guidance, strength and work in your life. Most of us lose vision because it is linked to our limited resource and ability. God wants to work in and through you. He has a vision and plan for your life.

"All men dream, but not equally. Those who dream by night in the dusty recesses of their minds wake in the day to find it was vanity. But the dreamers of the day are dangerous men, for they may act their dreams with open eyes to make it possible." —T.E. Lawrence