



WORD OF THE DAY (Romans 12:8)

"the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness."

(SPIRITUAL GIFTS (Leadership



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GIVERS SHARE

The gift of leadership is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the Body of Christ to set goals in accordance with God's purpose for the future and to communicate these goals to others in such a way that they voluntarily and harmoniously work together to accomplish those goals for the glory of God. In the Greek, the word for leadership is PROISTEMI (Strong's Number: 4291), it means to stand before, to preside, maintain, be over, rule

SUGGESTED POTENTIAL STRENGTHS & CHARACTERISTICS OF THIS GIFT

- · Will assume responsibilities if no specific leadership exists.
- Is a visionary person with a broad perspective.
- Easily facilitates resources and people to accomplish tasks or goals.
- Enjoys delegating tasks and supervising people.
- Tendency to stay removed from details in order to keep focused on the ultimate goal.
- Ability to inspire and encourage workers by cheerfulness, approval, praise and challenges.
- Ability to know what should and should not be delegated to others. • Experiences joy and fulfillment in seeing all the parts come together in a finished product.
- Has the ability to visualize the final result of a large project or undertaking.
- · Enjoys working with and being around people.
- Willing to endure criticism in order to accomplish the ultimate task.
- Expresses ideas and organization in ways that are clearly communicated.

SUGGESTED POTENTIAL WEAKNESSES & WARNINGS OF THIS GIFT

- May become upset when others do not share the same vision or goals. Develops outer callousness due to being a target for criticism.
- May neglect personal or home responsibilities due to intense interest in "job." • Views people as "human resources" rather than human beings.
- Showing favoritism to those who appear to be more loyal.
- Taking charge of projects which were not God's direction.
- Overlooking serious character faults in valuable workers.
- The ability to delegate responsibilities may appear to be laziness. May appear unresponsive to suggestions or appeals.

SUGGESTED WAYS TO SERVE BASED ON THIS GIFT

- Executive Pastor
- Deacon/Deaconess
- Board or Committee Chairperson
- Leadership Training
- Special Events Coordinator Building Administrator
- Small Group Leader
- Home Bible Study Leader
- Head Usher
- Men's/Women's Ministries Youth Ministries Leader
- · Children's Ministries Leader

Your brother in Christ, WNL

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Find your Spiritual Gift(s) and, find your purpose. (Discover it, Develop it, Demonstrate it)

Apostleship, Prophecy, Evangelism, Pastoring, Teaching, Encouragement, Knowledge, Wisdom, Assisting, Giving, *Leadership*, Compassion, Faith, Discernment, Miracles, Healing, Tongues, Interpretation.

Next week we examine the gift of Compassion

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, have you blessed me with the gift of Leadership? If so Lord, please give me the insight that I need to properly apply this gift to the body of Christ. In Jesus' name, I pray, amen.

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