



# LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

## Session V: Crucial Characteristics of Leadership

**A Biblical Consideration:** Numbers 13:1-14:10

### **I. A \_\_\_\_\_ imagination**

Key to Jacob's and Caleb's ability to see past the challenges was keeping their eyes on two things.

**A. \_\_\_\_\_.**

**B. \_\_\_\_\_.**

Caleb and Joshua formed their imagination around what God had promised. God had promised “**an exceedingly good land.**” Where did they get that idea? Exodus 3:8.

### **II. \_\_\_\_\_.**

Look again at verse 9. [9]

**A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of fear**

**Two significant fears:**

**B. The solution to fear is \_\_\_\_\_.**

### **III. Commitment to \_\_\_\_\_ growth**

**A. The necessity of \_\_\_\_\_.**

What disciplines are we talking about?

- Reading God's Word – getting the bigger story
- Studying God's Word – going deep into one book or doctrine
- Prayer
- Fasting
- Solitude . . . times of solitude

### **B. A caution when adding new rhythms**

There are two fair weather friends when it comes to creating new rhythms:

- \_\_\_\_\_.

- \_\_\_\_\_.

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#### **IV.** \_\_\_\_\_.

##### **A. Pathogens are not \_\_\_\_\_ of self-regulation**

- They perpetually invade the space of their neighbors. They try to take over an environment. They have poorly defined boundaries. They don't understand their role in relationships. Secondly,
- They cannot learn from their experience, which is why the unmotivated are invulnerable to insight.

##### **B. Pathogens require white blood cell immunity**

"That is not to say that for such individuals there is no hope for rehabilitation, reconciliation, recovery, or recuperation. But empathy alone will never promote the self-organization necessary for learning from experience; that can only come about when they are told that if they want to be a part of the community, they have to adapt to it, and not the other way around. I recognize that this approach could sound dictatorial . . . . It is in this this sense that promoting in others the initiative to be accountable [hear, learn to take personal responsibility] is far more critical to the health of an institution than trying to be understanding or insightful."

Leaders are white-blood cells of their organizations!

#### **V.** \_\_\_\_\_ **self**

Sense of self is the recognition of God's providence; that God has uniquely knit us both in the creative processes within our mother's wombs, but also has knit our stories – the good, bad and ugly – and brought us to the gospel.

And he has done so, so that we can "go where no man has gone before" – we are the adventurers into the realms of anxious people.

Here's what we find in adventurers:

- A capacity to get outside the emotional climate of the day
- A willingness to be exposed and vulnerable
- Persistence in the face of resistance and downright rejection
- Stamina in the face of sabotage along with way
- Being headstrong and ruthless at least in the eyes of others.

#### **VI. A** \_\_\_\_\_ **presence**

"The crucial issue of leadership . . . may not be how much power they exercise but how well their presence is able to preserve that society's integrity."

It is interesting what others say in David before he became king. King Saul's servants were looking for someone to step into the Saul's highly troubled emotional state. Saul agrees.

**A Biblical Conclusion:** 1 Samuel 16:18; 17:45-47