

Spiritual Leadership

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Spiritual goals can only be accomplished by spiritual people who use spiritual methods. God provides everyone with certain gifts and leadership qualities. But unless they are nurtured and governed by the Holy Spirit, they can be used in ungodly ways.

This seminar (scalable from 1 to 3 hours) will allow you to assess your leadership potential and understand, from a biblical perspective, the essential qualities of leadership.

Seminar participants are motivated and encouraged to enroll in the Spiritual Leadership small group study.

Seminar topics include,

- What is Spiritual Leadership?
- Natural vs. Spiritual Leadership
- Characteristics of Jesus as God's special servant
- Self-assessment on leadership potential
- Six qualifications on Spiritual Leadership from 1 Timothy 3
- 17 essential qualities of leadership
- Spiritual Leadership examples from Peter, Paul and Nehemiah
- Spiritual Leadership pledge

Use this seminar as a quick and effective means to improve the leadership potential and performance of individuals and the groups they lead. Detailed topics covered include:

<p>An Honorable Ambition The Search For Leaders The Master's Master Principle Natural and Spiritual leadership Can You Become A leader Insight On Leadership From Paul Insight On Leadership From Peter Essential Qualities of Leadership More Essential Qualities of Leadership Above All Else Prayer and Leadership The Leader and Time</p>	<p>The Leader and Reading Improving Leadership The Cost of Leadership Responsibilities Of Leadership Tests of Leadership The Art of Delegation Replacing Leaders Reproducing Leaders Perils of Leadership The Leader Nehemiah Leadership in the Family Leadership in Conflict Resolution</p>
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Presentation Samples:

<p>Ambition - Encouragement</p> <p><i>To aspire to leadership is an honorable ambition</i> (1 Timothy 3: 1 NEB)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Desire to excel is not a sin • Motivation determines ambition's character <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	<p>Leaders – Pastor and Deacon Qualifications - 1 Timothy 3: 1-13</p> <p>Paul discusses first overseers, then deacons, with a digression on women.</p> <p>Paul's focus is on the personal qualities of those who would serve in these positions, rather than their duties.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	<p>Spiritual Leadership ...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blends natural and spiritual qualities • Transcends personality and natural gifts • Is empowered by the Holy Spirit <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>																		
<p>Leadership Definitions From Leaders – Eleanor Roosevelt</p> <p><i>“A good leader inspires people to have confidence in the leader.</i></p> <p><i>A great leader inspires people to have confidence in themselves”</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	<p>Servant Leader</p> <p><i>“A Servant Leader is one who has been called, transformed, gifted, and empowered by God, to serve Him and the needs of others, before their own concerns”</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>- Ed Gillman, 2004</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	<p>Two Principles of Leadership the Church Must Never Forget</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sovereignty Principle of Spiritual Leadership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – “To sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared” (Mark 10:40) – God assigns places of spiritual ministry and leadership in His sovereign will. <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>																		
<p>Do You Agree or Disagree?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power acquired through the Holy-Spirit will override fear. • God does not call the qualified, He qualifies those who he calls. • Before we conquer the world, we must first conquer self. <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	<p>Natural vs. Spiritual Leadership</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Natural:</td> <td>Spiritual:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- Self-Confident</td> <td>- Confident in God</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- Knows Men</td> <td>- Also Knows God</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- Makes Own Decisions</td> <td>- Seeks God's Will</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- Ambitious</td> <td>- Humble</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- Creates Methods</td> <td>- Follows God's Example</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- Enjoys Command</td> <td>- Delights in Obedience to God</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- Seeks Personal Reward</td> <td>- Loves God and Others</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- Independent</td> <td>- Depends on God</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	Natural:	Spiritual:	- Self-Confident	- Confident in God	- Knows Men	- Also Knows God	- Makes Own Decisions	- Seeks God's Will	- Ambitious	- Humble	- Creates Methods	- Follows God's Example	- Enjoys Command	- Delights in Obedience to God	- Seeks Personal Reward	- Loves God and Others	- Independent	- Depends on God	<p>Eight Essential Qualities of Leadership</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discipline 2. Vision 3. Wisdom 4. Decision 5. Courage 6. Humility 7. Integrity 8. Sincerity  <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>
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<p>Vision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seeing more and farther than others • Foresight (looking forward) and insight (intuition and understanding) • Optimism and hope • Result-oriented vs. excuse oriented • Eyes that look are common; eyes that see are rare <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	<p>Heavenly Wisdom is ... (James 3:17)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy-Spirit enabled • Peaceable • Gentle • Yielding • Pure • Merciful and helpful • Fruitful • Without partiality or hypocrisy  <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	<p>Nine More Essential Qualities of Leadership</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Humor 2. Anger 3. Patience 4. Friendship 5. Tact and Diplomacy 6. Inspirational Power 7. Executive Ability 8. Listening 9. Writing  <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>																		
<p>Anger</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must never be the preferred response. • Holy anger rooted in love is sometimes necessary to get needed attention. <p>“In your anger, do not sin” Ephesians 4:26</p>  <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	<p>Prayer – General Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The spiritual leader should outpace the rest of the church, above all, in prayer. • We do not naturally delight in drawing near to God. • True prayer demands the utmost mental discipline and concentration.  <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>	<p>The Leader and Time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life's value is not it's duration but it's donation. • Time lost can never be retrieved. Time cannot be hoarded, only spent well. • Time is the great equalizer among people. Why? <p style="text-align: right;"><small>COMPASS</small></p>																		



As Executive Director of Compass Urban Stewardship Ministries, Inc., Ken Battles is charged with the mission to equip the urban community to faithfully apply God's principles of finances, love and leadership through a discipleship approach to learning and practical application. Compass Urban Stewardship Ministries is an affiliate of Compass- finances God's way, a worldwide non-profit interdenominational ministry that teaches people of all ages how to handle money based on the principles of the Bible.

His spiritual gifts of teaching, encouragement, problem solving and collaborative leadership are assisting churches and other organizations to address financial discipleship and generosity needs.

His popular "God's Plan for Financial Freedom" seminars, workshops and summits are very effective as a catalyst for change and movement towards financial freedom.

Ken has a very successful career with more than thirty-five years of diversified Information Technology experience. His skills and expertise include global service management, process management, process improvement and optimization, project management, IT general controls, IT security, and collaborative leadership. His current assignment as a Strong Authentication Service Delivery Manager involves leading a global team that provides a two-factor authentication security service utilized by 55,000 employees of a large multi-national company.

Nonetheless, after Ken confessed his confidence in the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, he uses his secular success and training for Kingdom building. He is a member of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church of Oviedo, FL (Pastor Charles Jones) where he serves as a deacon and a member of many ministries, including Strategic Planning, and Education.

Ken graduated from Alabama A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science in 1978. He also met his wife Sharon there. They have been happily and successfully married since 1980.