

LEADING BEYOND YOURSELF: PART 1

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Am I leading only from what I do each day, or from something bigger living through me?

Step 1: Clarify Your Source of Leadership

- Write down your core source of strength/values (e.g., faith, family principles, mission statement).
- Circle one value that matters most right now.

Step 2: Identify Where You're Leading by Convenience

- Make two lists:
 - Home: Where do I tend to compromise my values (e.g., discipline, consistency, honesty)?
 - Work: Where do I let small things slide (e.g., accountability, standards, follow-through)?

Step 3: Define Obedience in Your Context

- Write down what obedience to your values looks like in one area at home and one area at work.
 - Example:
 - Home: If respect is a core value, then I will follow through on consequences for broken curfew.
 - Work: If accountability is a core value, then I will address lateness with staff instead of ignoring it.

Step 4: Count the Cost, Remember the Gain

- Write down the short-term cost of obedience (conflict, discomfort, extra work).
- Then write the long-term gain (trust, respect, influence, consistency).
- Example: Saying "no" to a party → Cost: teen frustration → Gain: protecting her from bad influences + long-term trust.

Step 5: Take One Immediate Step This Week

- Choose one area (home or work) where you'll practice obedience over convenience.
- Write it as a specific action:
 - "This week, I will... (follow through / have the hard conversation / say no / hold the standard)."

Step 6: Reflect & Adjust

- At the end of the week, ask yourself:
 - Did I choose obedience over convenience?
 - Our How did it impact my influence?
 - What's one adjustment I need to make for next week?

Key Reminder

- Titles fade.
- Talent shifts.
- Obedience to values leaves a legacy.