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Leadership Extraordinaire
Modeling the Leadership Style of Jesus

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There is a general misconception regarding leadership. Many have been made to believe that only a selected few are destined to be leaders. This erroneous belief has prevented numerous people from discovering and optimizing their God-given potentials, thus settling for the status quo.

At Creation, God gave humanity the mandate to dominate, subdue, take charge, and have rulership over all of His creation. He equipped man with all that is needed to be in charge by creating man in His image. If you are living short of this mandate, it is time to embark on a quest to discover your purpose and mandate in life.

Leadership has nothing to do with title or position. Until the problem of identity is resolved, the problem of leadership cannot be solved. Everyone has been given leadership potential by God.

You were created to lead. It is time to take charge.

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You Need a Mentor

The first principle Jesus established in the school of leadership is the fact that every leader is a protégé to somebody. There is no self-made man. It does not matter how skilled and talented you are; you need a mentor as you navigate new areas in life.

Your need for mentoring does not imply confusion about who you are or what your life's purpose is. Jesus Christ understood His divinity and assignment, yet He still submitted to mentorship. Your exploits in life are limited until you connect with the man or woman God has ordained to be your guiding light.

Once Jesus submitted to the leadership of John, His heavens were opened. In the same way, many remain under closed heavens not because of lack of prayer, but because they have ignored this foundational principle of leadership.

Mentorship is not optional. It is foundational.

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