



## FOLLOW ME

Matthew 4:18–19 (NKJV) <sup>18</sup> And Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; **for they were fishermen.** <sup>19</sup> Then He said to them, **“Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.”**

## HOW DO WE LEARN BEST?

10% of what we read  
20% of what we hear  
30% of what we see and hear  
70% of what we discuss with others  
80% of what we experience personally  
95% of what we teach to someone else

*Research by Dr William Glasser.*

## A GREAT LEADER

*A great leader has a soft heart, but a thick skin.*

## A THICK SKIN

*“If any man thinks ill of you, do not be angry with him; for you are worse than he thinks you to be.” CH Spurgeon*

## LEADERSHIP

*Leadership is a call to care for people.*

## CARE WITH A TRUE HEART

Psalm 78:70–72 (NLT) <sup>70</sup> *He chose his servant David, calling him from the sheep pens.* <sup>71</sup> *He took David from tending the ewes and lambs and made him the shepherd of Jacob's descendants— God's own people, Israel.* <sup>72</sup> *He cared for them with a true heart and led them with skillful hands.*

## WARNING TO SELFISH LEADERS

Ezekiel 34:1–3 (NLT) <sup>1</sup> *Then this message came to me from the LORD:* <sup>2</sup> *“Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds, the leaders of Israel. Give them this message from the Sovereign LORD: What sorrow awaits you shepherds who feed yourselves instead of your flocks. Shouldn't shepherds feed their sheep?*

## WARNING TO SELFISH LEADERS

<sup>3</sup> *You drink the milk, wear the wool, and butcher the best animals, but you let your flocks starve.* <sup>4</sup> *You have not taken care of the weak. You have not tended the sick or bound up the injured. You have not gone looking for those who have wandered away and are lost. Instead, you have ruled them with harshness and cruelty.*

## WARNING TO SELFISH LEADERS

<sup>5</sup> *So my sheep have been scattered without a shepherd, and they are easy prey for any wild animal.* <sup>9</sup> *Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the LORD.* <sup>10</sup> *This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I now consider these shepherds my enemies, and I will hold them responsible for what has happened to my flock.*

## WARNING TO SELFISH LEADERS

*I will take away their right to feed the flock, and I will stop them from feeding themselves. I will rescue my flock from their mouths; the sheep will no longer be their prey.*

## NEW HEARTS

Ezekiel 36:26–27 (NLT) <sup>26</sup> *And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart.* <sup>27</sup> *And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations.*

## TENDER HEARTS

1. Forgive
2. Be patient
3. Be kind
4. See the good
5. Encourage

