



A Men's Retreat with Ogletown Baptist Church - Session I



9 BOOKS EVERY BRICK FAMILY
SHOULD OWN ...





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LEAD INTENTIONALLY. LEAD ON PURPOSE!

- **Session I. Define Leadership.** Consider what it means to lead. Identify the components of leadership.
 - **Session II. Hone Handoff Habits *On Purpose*.** Understand how we can sharpen basic leadership skills.
 - **Session III. Focus (by faith) the vision we share.** Vividly, concretely, consider how we share our hope.
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HEBREWS: THE BRIEFEST OF INTROS

- **A Magnificent Theological Premise** - The LORD Jesus Christ is Supreme in every way including his priestly ministry.
 - **Urgent Pastoral Encouragement:** No quitting!
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*24 And let us consider how to stir up
one another to love and good works,
25 not neglecting to meet together, as is
the habit of some, but encouraging one
another, and all the more as you see the
Day drawing near.*

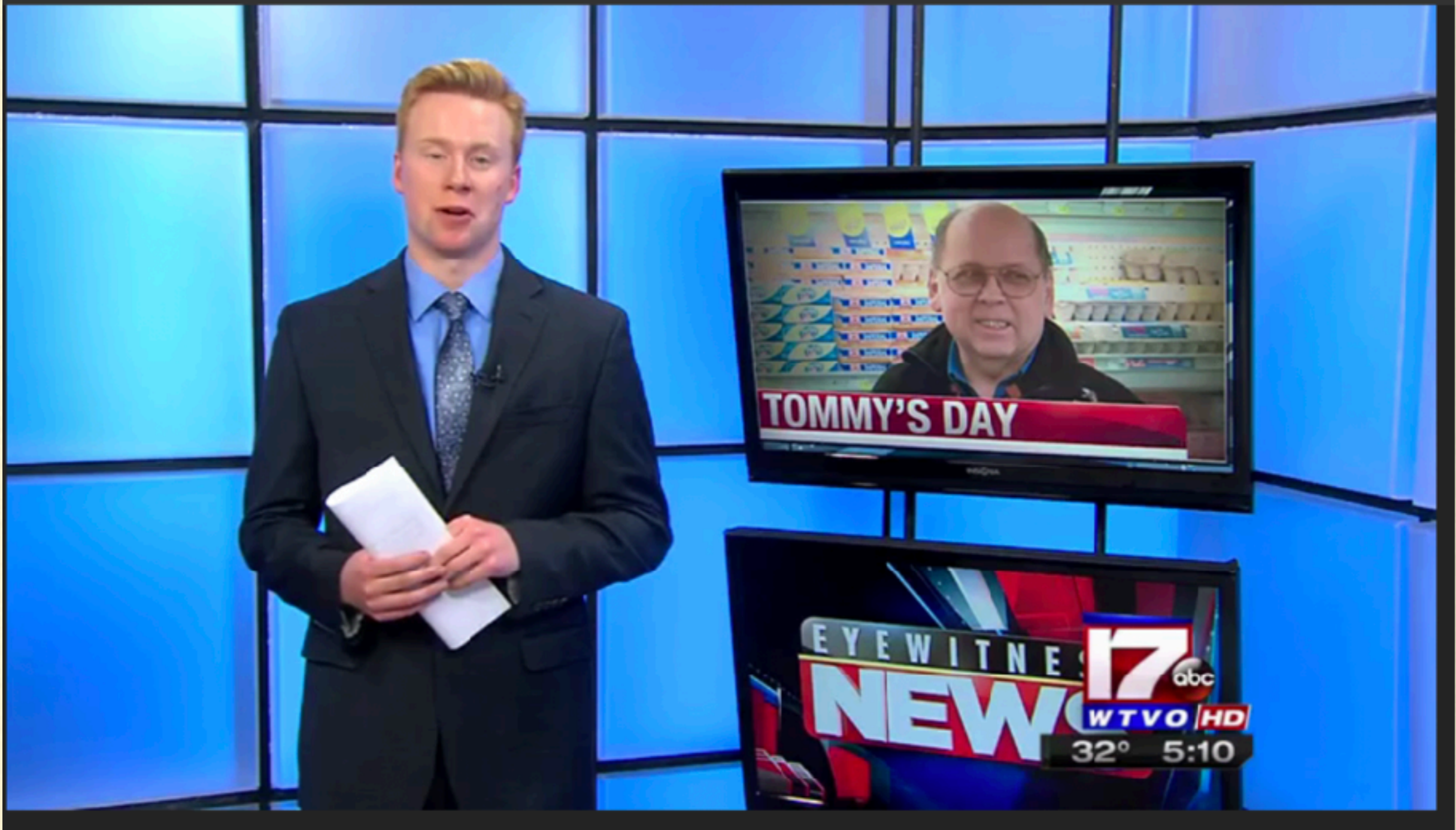
Hebrews 10:24-25

“*us*”: Everyone leads
in some way.

Everything you will ever do as a leader is based on one audacious assumption. It's the assumption that *you matter*.

Kouzes and Posner





Everyone has leadership responsibilities. Few lead intentionally: on purpose.

“CONSIDER”: THINK DEEPLY, CONTEMPLATE

- “Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not **notice** the log that is in your own eye? (Matt 7:3)”
 - “Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, **consider** Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, (Heb 3:1)”
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“STIR UP”: ROUSING TO ACTIVITY

- “And there arose a sharp disagreement, so that they separated from each other. Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus, (Acts 15:39)”
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“ENCOURAGE”

- “Encourage” - “appeal to, urge, exhort, encourage, implore, entreat, comfort, cheer up, invite (BDAG).”
 - (As in the Bible junkie . . .)
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WITH URGENCY!

Day of the Lord (ἡμέρα κυρίου) / **Parousia**

(παρουσία) – The Day of the Lord is the most common way the Bible references the Second Advent. In the New Testament, direct references to “the Day” are found in all four gospels, most of Paul’s epistles, Hebrews, 1 and 2 Peter, 1 John, Jude, and Revelation.

Important New Testament references to the Day of the Lord include Matt 7:22, 10:15, 24:36, Luke 17:24, 21:34, John 6:39,40, 44, 54, Acts 2:20, 17:31, Romans 2:5, 1 Cor 3:13, 1 Thess 5:2, 2 Tim 1:12, 1:18, Heb 10:25, 1 Peter 2:12, 2 Peter 2:9, 3:10, 1 John 4:17, Jude 6.

See also the Bible Project’s video, [“The Day of the Lord.”](#) Though we may or may not agree with all their views of the end times.”

I preached as never sure to
preach again, and as a dying
man to dying men.

— Richard Baxter

A HEBREWS 10:24-25 DEFINITION OF LEADERSHIP

Leadership is intentionally stirring up others to love and good works with the urgency of eternity in mind.

“Leadership is the art of
mobilizing others to want
to struggle for shared
aspirations.”

—*James Kouzes*

LEADERSHIP ELEMENTS

- **Art - wisdom**, finesse, skill, creativity, study, meditation, reflection
 - **Mobilizing - Going**, working, praying, modeling, delegating
 - **To want to struggle** - the way of the **Cross**, persevere, endure, fast, commit, get up
 - **Shared - fellowship / koinonia**, corporate, body, hospitality, shared vocabulary
 - **Aspirations - together with Jesus** forever, joy, God's glory, rewards, new earth
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Christian leadership is the art of mobilizing Christ-followers to want to walk by faith, in community, the way of the Cross for the shared vision of one day soon being together with Jesus on the new earth for Christ's glory and our joy.

GIVE THOUGHT TO YOUR SPHERE OF INFLUENCE

1. Are you thinking deeply about your leadership? Or are you just assuming it will happen? *Let us fix our eyes on Jesus!*
 2. Do you have a goal of creatively stirring people up to follow Jesus?
 3. Do you have the urgency of eternity in mind? The Day of the Lord is coming. Soon.
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