

A Men's Retreat with Ogletown Baptist Church - Session 3

#### 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.

## 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

#### WHAT IS THE KEY?

The dream or vision is the force that invents the future.

Kouzes and Posner

A shared vision is a vision that many people are truly committed to, because it reflects their own personal vision.

Peter Senge



The Great Escape! How did they accomplish so much?

[The Great Escape] is the story of achievement against impossible odds. And it proves nothing can stop a group of men, regardless of race, creed, color or nationality, from achieving a goal once they agree as to what the goal is.

George Harsh

The Christian leader's great advantage is that, by faith, he or she has a clear, concrete picture of the future.

### "FAITH" IS CONFIDENCE IN THE SHARED VISION

- "[God] exists and that he rewards those who seek him (Heb 11:6b)"
- "For [Abraham] was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God (Heb 11:10)."
- "For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland (Heb 11:14)."
- "They desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city (Heb 11:16)."

## "FAITH" IS CONFIDENCE IN THE SHARED VISION

- "For he was looking to the reward (Heb 11:26)."
- "So that they might rise again to a better life (Heb II:35)."
- "Let not your hearts be troubled ... (John 14:1 ff)."
- "Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life (Rev 22:1 ff)."

By faith, are you as a leader sharing what our King has promised? Are you reminding people where you are headed?

#### 5th Tree, Right Side-Facing

#### SHARED VISION

- Must be positive and compelling: no one follows negative
- Must be unique
- Must be concrete (including eschatology!)
- Takes time, space, and quiet to develop

# START WITH VISION FOR DIFFERENT STAGES OF LIFE

### CHALLENGE: DO SOME VISION EXERCISES

- 5th Tree, Right Side
- **20** years ...
- **5** years ...
- This weekend or Monday morning