



25 LEADERSHIP AXIOMS

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1. Leaders are made, not born.
2. All leadership is tied to influence: what you say and what you do.
3. Leaders are never satisfied with status quo—it must go.
4. Leaders are positive change agents.
5. Poor leadership creates chaos, confusion, lack of progress, and frustration.
6. Leaders are motivated by results, not talking points.
7. Leaders can't stand apathy, procrastination, or laziness.
8. Trust is the heart of leadership; without it there is no leadership.
9. Mediocre leadership produces mediocre followers.
10. Leaders are mission and vision driven; always moving forward.
11. Leaders are servants and encouragers.
12. A leader can't lead beyond his character.
13. There are no "perfect" leaders; they are works in progress.
14. Church leaders are spiritual persons—Christlike.
15. Anybody can grow in leadership ability.
16. You can't lead from the rear—you lead from the front.
17. What you DO is more powerful than what you say.
18. God's cause deserves the best leadership possible.
19. Great leaders were once great followers.
20. Leadership development is a deliberate process.
21. Leadership continually changes because situations change.



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22. Positive leaders demand feedback and accountability.
23. People are more important than people.
24. Leadership is a function designed to glorify God (Eph. 3:21).
25. The test of leadership is the RESULTS it generates.