

LEAD

Ephesians 5:23

We need men who will lead!

I. THE LEADERSHIP ROLE OF MEN

A. A HEADSHIP - Eph.5:23 and I Cor. 11:3

1. The Concept: Headship indicates authority and not source
2. The Care: The head preserves and protects the body
3. The Condition: Security for and submission from a wife

B. A RELATIONSHIP

1. Duty
 - a. The man's duty is to lead it is not an option!
 - b. He is the head whether he likes it or not
2. Accountability
 - a. God holds the husband accountable for this authority and leadership
 - b. God gave husbands and fathers headship and requires a stewardship of that responsibility

II. THE LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEN

A. A MANAGER - I Tim. 3:12

- One who rules his own house well

1. He is In Control: Having the broad oversight of all that goes on in his house
2. He is Informed: Fully aware of what is going on in his house
3. He is a Pacesetter and not a Dictator: Providing oversight but not demands
4. Example: Mordecai in Esther 2:11

B. AN INSTRUCTOR

1. Teaching His Spouse - I Corinthians 14:34-35
2. Teaching His Children - Eph. 6: 4 and Deut. 11:18-21
3. Example: Abraham in Gen. 18:19 .

C. A DIRECTOR

1. Directing Correction - Proverbs 19:18, 22:15, 23:13
2. Directing Consecration - Josh. 24:14-15

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D. A PROVIDER

1. The Conduct - II Corinthians 12:14b
 - Parents should lay up treasure for the children
2. The Contrast - I Tim. 5:8
 - The one who fails to provide for his family is worse than an infidel!
3. An Example: Jesus with his mother in John 19:26-27

E. A SERVANT

1. A servant-leader will be humble - Jn.13:3-4
 - The greatest among men will be servant-leader - Mt.20:25-28
2. The servant-leader will be sacrificial - Eph. 5:25
3. Example: Moses in Heb. 3:5

CONCLUSION**GOD WANTS MEN WHO:**

- 1. Will assume the leadership role**
 - No Two-headed monsters in the church!
- 2. Will carry out their leadership responsibilities**
 - No wimps who leave it all to the women!