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KINGDOM BRIDGING CHURCHES
THROUGH HEALTHY TRANSITIONS

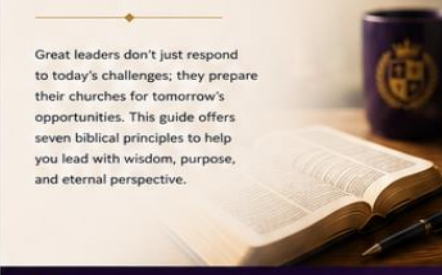
LEAD STRATEGICALLY

7 BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES FOR
LEADING HEALTHY CHURCHES
THROUGH CHANGE



A LEADERSHIP RESOURCE BY
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LEADERSHIP IS NOT ABOUT THE NEXT MOVE—IT'S ABOUT THE NEXT GENERATION.



Great leaders don't just respond to today's challenges; they prepare their churches for tomorrow's opportunities. This guide offers seven biblical principles to help you lead with wisdom, purpose, and eternal perspective.

“Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established.”
PROVERBS 16:3

1 THINK BEYOND THE NEXT MOVE

PROVERBS 29:18
“Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.”

 Great leaders don't simply react to today's challenges—they prepare for tomorrow's opportunities. Every decision should support the church's long-term mission and vision.

 **LEADERSHIP QUESTION:**
How will today's decision impact the next five years of ministry?

2 PROTECT THE VISION

HABAKKUK 2:2
“Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.”

 Vision keeps churches moving forward during seasons of uncertainty. Leaders must continually communicate God's purpose so the congregation remains unified and hopeful.

 **KEY PRINCIPLE:**
Vision must be repeated before it is remembered.

3 LEAD PEOPLE BEFORE PROGRAMS

 Healthy churches are built on healthy relationships.

Invest in:

- People
- Leaders
- Volunteers
- Future pastors

 **PROGRAMS CHANGE. PEOPLE REMAIN.**

4 TRANSITION IS PREPARATION

 Never rush to replace a pastor. Use transition to:

- Heal
- Evaluate ministries
- Clarify vision
- Strengthen leadership
- Prepare for growth

 **PREPARATION TODAY CREATES STABILITY TOMORROW.**

5 DEVELOP OTHER LEADERS

 Every healthy church is developing future leaders. Ask:

- Who am I mentoring?
- Who can preach?
- Who can lead?
- Who can disciple?

 **LEADERSHIP MULTIPLIES. LEGACY LASTS.**

6 COMMUNICATE CLEARLY

 Confusion creates fear. Great leaders communicate:

- Frequently
- Honestly
- Prayerfully
- Consistently

 **WHEN PEOPLE KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING, THEY FEEL SECURE.**

7 PRAY BEFORE EVERY DECISION

JAMES 1:5
“If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.”

 **PRAYER IS NOT THE LAST STEP. PRAYER IS THE STRATEGY.**

LEADERSHIP REFLECTION

- Are we reacting or leading strategically?
- Are we preparing the church for the future?
- Are we developing leaders?
- Are we communicating well?
- Are we praying first?
- Are we leaving a legacy?

 **THE BREAKTHROUGH IS IN THE STRATEGY. THE VICTORY IS IN THE VISION.**

“Great churches don't simply survive change—they prepare for it with wisdom, prayer, and intentional leadership.”

TOGETHER, WE CAN BUILD HEALTHY CHURCHES AND LEAVE A LEGACY THAT LASTS.



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