Leaders Outline

PREFACE

The material included in these pages is meant to give you, the Rollista, something as a basic help in your presentation of the LEADERS talk. You are encouraged to follow the outline guide for DIRECTION OF CONTENT, but NOT AS THE CONTENT itself.

LEADERS is the natural bridge between the tripod Piety, Study, Action and the remainder of the talks as it illustrates the life of the effective Christian

in the world. The speaker is encouraged to exemplify Christian leadership but also humanness. All stories/witness need not be instant successes as success and failure are both a part of life. As you prepare your talk, please be sure to read all the supporting Scripture passages, then choose those passages which seem most appropriate for your rollo. When you give your rollo, please read the passages you choose as a part of your talk. Let God speak through His Word and tell how it relates to you and your experiences in life. This is a 'heart' talk with witness emphasis, so make it YOU–it's your

talk. The amount of time allotted for this talk is a maximum of 30 minutes.

There are a few additional materials included that might be helpful to you. All material given to you is meant to guide your thinking while at the same time you have the freedom of your individual expression. God's Blessings be yours as you prepare for your presentation of the LEADERS rollo.

SYNOPSIS

The LEADERS talk expresses the importance that there be Christian people growing and developing in the Life in Grace, who are able to positively influence the thoughts and actions of others, with a sensitivity and Christ-like concern for all people and circumstances.

OUTLINE

I. Introduction

B. C.

Each one should bloom where planted; whoever potential leader.

Christian Leader is developed through Piety,

'Follow Me' means being a leader of others.

wants to is a

A.

Study, and action Matt. 16:24ff

II. Definitions

A. Leader

- 1. Someone who can influence the thoughts and actions of others by guiding, orienting, or directing
- 2. Every situation has someone who has primary input-brings about Ideal in a situation.
- 3. Someone whose decisions affect other peoples' decisions
- B. Christian Leader
- 1. Hears call of Christ to bear fruit and responds to it by sharing Christ. Love for Christ must be passed on to others if its going to grow.
- a. Lead others to Christ be concerned with those that are lost
- b. Nurture those that are in Christ Matt. 13:33

c. encourages others toward vision of Christ for the

world Matt. 5:13,14

- 2. Mature Christian
- a. Realizes his need for Christ should be able to be responsible for his awn nurturing $\underline{\text{Col. 2:6}}$,7 (Piety)
- (1) The Ward and Prayer (Study)
- (2) Becoming involved in Christs' Community (Action)
- b. Has a confident faith II Car. 4:13
- c. Earnestly desires to be like Christ II Car. 5, Ram. 8
- 3. Blend of natural and spiritual qualities

Demands of Grace will be different with each — sets us

free from conformity — but each is God's unique creation.

I Peter 4:10

(Illustrate how we sometimes are not aware of our leadership or influence on others...e.g. perhaps through our children.)

III.

Natural Qualities

A. B.

Know Ideal Eph. 5

Initiative Is. 6:8, Provo 16:9

Ability to reach own decision, courage decision, and willingness to cooperate to act upon the with others.

- C. Empathy ability to understand what another person feels
- D. Vulnerability willing to risk

Must not fail to act because of fear; be willing to observe,

judge what seems right and then act; be willing to stand

alone; must be willing to risk self where justice is needed.

- E. Responsibility A certain Samaritan <u>Luke 10:25-37</u>
- -cf. Disciple-by Juan Carlos Ortiz, p. 47-8

Response-ability

- 1. Feels responsible for a mission
- 2. We are the Body of Christ

Passiveness is an enemy

- F. Authenticity
- 1. Be truthful with self; be what you are suited for; be what you say, you are.
- 2. Know reality; start with the person where he is
- 3. Goal: to be like Jesus
- G. Generosity Acts 20:35, II Cor. 9:6-8, Psalm 37:21
- 1. Go all out-give for Christ without keeping count
- 2. Don't have to be prosperous monetarily to be generous

Give what we have, what we are, and what we can be; give ourselves totally

- H. Self-discipline 1 Peter 4, Titus 2:11-14
- IV. Spiritual Qualities

- A. Humility
- 1. False humility '1 can't' denies power of God

Ph i 1. 4: 13

- 2. True humility
- a. Recognizes abilities as a trust from God and that everyone carries a unique ability Rom. 12:3-6,

Eph. 2:8-10, John 15:5

This frees us from jealousy

b. "Learn to take peoples' praise, but give God the

credit. God has made us; of ourselves we are nothing. B. Lively, confident, expectant faith Psalm 9,

Hebrews 11

C. Hope Heb. 6:19, Matt. 28:20b, 1 Peter 3:15

Believe in the impossible and act accordingly

- D. Love 1 Cor. 13
- 1. Assignment of a Christian leader John 13:34,35
- 2. Is Action John 13:35

Reach out where pain exists; level of self-giving is a

good measurement of love.

(Use illustration of difficult 'love' situations)

- V. Me? a Leader?
- A. Dare to experiment to find abilities
- B. Be a Follower Matt. 4:18ff
- C. Be a Servant John 13:14-17

God didn't call you to be a sensation — He called you to be a servant.

vi. Conclusion

Α.

Desire Determination Dedication Start small and

willingness

+ to =

work

let Christ help you grow

successful

Christian

Leader

8.

(make ~ friend, be ~ friend...)

- C. Often availability is more important than ability.
- D. With the ingredients of Faith, Humility, Love, and Hope, the

result = Christian transformation of the world.

ADDITIONAL NOTES/MATERIALS THAT MIGHT BE HELPFUL

LEADERS

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Speaker should exemplify Christian leadership.

Speaker should exemplify humanness; all stories/witness should not be

instant successes; but even through failure a person can continue to grow. Success and failure are both a part of life.

Christian leadership is not something we either have or have not, but must and can be cultivated and learned; having certain characteristics and qualities that can be enhanced in every person.

- 1. All persons are leaders in their environments.
- 2. Leadership can be developed by enhancing certain loving characteristics.
- 3. Transformation of world depends on each person individually. 4. Each person is called to place all talents in service of God

in their natural environments.

5. The group is more than sum of its individual members in influencing the environment.

In Christ, through Christ, with Christ — Each one should bloom where planted. Whoever wants to is a potential leader.

We learn to talk the talk before we walk the walk.

Keep your yeast warm in the love of Jesus Christ.