



Raising up Godly Leaders

Be Strong and Courageous

INTERACTIVE OUTLINE

Sunday Morning: 10:30 am
 Scripture Reading: Joshua 1:6-7

Date: September 6, 2015
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Introduction:

- God told the people "To be strong and courageous" (Joshua 1:7).
- One of the main reasons why congregations decline is a lack of good **I**_____.
- It must be *developed* and not take for granted.
- Six times the Holy Spirit tells us to "make every **e**_____!"
- These things are especially important and hold keys to godly leadership!

I. COMMIT TO INTEGRITY.

- "Make every effort to be found **s**_____, blameless, and at peace with Him (2 Peter 3:14).
- Leadership is built upon **t**_____. Live out what you believe!

II. COMMIT TO FORGIVE THOSE WHO HURT YOU.

"Make every effort to live in peace with all men. See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no **b**_____ root grows up" (Heb 12:14-15).

III. COMMIT TO RELAX AND TRUST GOD.

- "Let us make every effort to enter into God's **r**_____ " (Heb 4:11).
- A good leader must commit to surrender His stress to God.

IV. COMMIT TO BE AN ENCOURAGER (Rom 14:9).

V. COMMIT TO BE A PEACEMAKER.

- "Make every effort to keep the **u**_____ of the spirit through the bond of peace" (Eph 4:3).
- Unity is not *optional*, but *expected*, expected but *difficult*, *difficult* but *worth the effort*."

VI. COMMIT TO NEVER STOP GROWING!

- "Make every effort to add your **f**_____ ... it will keep you from becoming ineffective *and unproductive*" (2 Peter 1: 5-8).
- Growing churches require growing leadership!

Conclusion:

- Let us make every effort to focus on these six things!
- As we look to the future, may we be **s**_____ and courageous!

SCRAMBLED ANSWERS

strong **trust**
faith **effort**
rest **leadership**
unity **spotless**
bitter