

# Jehoshaphat's Dilemma

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person's heart,  
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"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."

– John Quincy Adams

"A true leader has the confidence to stand alone, the courage to make tough decisions, and the compassion to listen to the needs of others. He does not set out to be a leader, but becomes one by the equality of his actions and the integrity of his intent."

–Douglas MacArthur

The one thing all leaders have in common is followers. **A follower is someone who volunteers to go where you want to go.** They do not follow because of your authority or right. They simply choose to follow you. They do not follow because they are manipulated but **because they are inspired.**

–Simon Sinek

Worldly leaders always know  
where they want to go  
and are in a relentless pursuit of  
arriving.

One persistent trait of biblical  
leadership

was a reluctance to lead.

Exodus 3: 11 But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?”

4: 1 Moses answered, “What if they do not believe me or listen to me...?”

10: I have never been eloquent...

**Exodus 4: 13** But Moses said, “Pardon your servant, Lord. **Please send someone else.**”

**Judges 7:** 14 The Lord turned to him and said, “Go in the strength you have and save Israel out of Midian’s hand. Am I not sending you?”

15 “Pardon me, my lord,” Gideon replied, “but how can I save Israel? **My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family.**”

**John 1: 26** “I baptize with water,” John replied, “but among you stands one you do not know. 27 He is the one who comes after me, the straps of whose sandals **I am not worthy** to untie.”

1 Corinthians 15: 9 For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.”

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What does it mean  
to be a leader in the faith?

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**2 Chronicles 20:** “Lord, the God of our ancestors, are you not the God who is in heaven? You rule over all the kingdoms of the nations. Power and might are in your hand, and no one can withstand you. 7 Our God, did you not drive out the inhabitants of this land before your people Israel and give it forever to the descendants of Abraham your friend?

**2 Chronicles 20:** 8 They have lived in it and have built in it a sanctuary for your Name, saying, 9 ‘If calamity comes upon us, whether the sword of judgment, or plague or famine, we will stand in your presence before this temple that bears your Name and will cry out to you in our distress, and you will hear us and save us.’

**2 Chronicles 20:** 10 “But now here are men from Ammon, Moab and Mount Seir, whose territory you would not allow Israel to invade when they came from Egypt; so they turned away from them and did not destroy them. I see how they are repaying us by coming to drive us out of the possession you gave us as an inheritance.

**2 Chronicles 20:** 12 Our God, will you not judge them? For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. **We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.”**

2 Chronicles 20: 18 Jehoshaphat bowed  
down with his face to the ground, and all  
the people of Judah and Jerusalem fell  
down in worship before the Lord.

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We always want leaders with a  
plan.

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Jehoshaphat admitted his  
weakness and said he had no plan.

The Granbury Church of Christ  
is NOT our church.

It's God's.



# Human-Centered Leadership



Human-Centered  
Leadership



God-Centered  
Leadership

The role of a Kingdom leader  
is to acknowledge weakness,  
surrender to God, and trust the  
direction of His Holy Spirit.

We are not Plan A.

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The Holy Spirit is.

**Exodus 14: 13** Moses answered the people,  
“Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will  
see the deliverance the Lord will bring you  
today. The Egyptians you see today you will  
never see again. 14 **The Lord will fight for  
you; you need only to be still.”**

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**Mark 10: 27** Jesus looked at them and said,  
“With man this is impossible, but not with God;

all things are possible with God.

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