

Prophetic leadership

Leadership

Leadership is about influence,
nothing more, nothing less

John C. Maxwell, *The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership*

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Its not only about influence

Its about Gods influence

1Co 4:1 So let a man think of us as ministers
of Christ and stewards of *the* mysteries of
God



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Where is the man who can see through the ticker tape and confetti to discover which way the parade is headed, why it started in the first place and, particularly, who is riding up front in the seat of honor?

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What is needed today desperately is prophetic insight. Scholars can interpret the past; it takes a prophet to interpret the present...

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Requires calling and strong integrity

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Amo 7:15 And Jehovah took me from behind the flock, and Jehovah said to me, Go, prophesy to My people Israel.

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Gal 1:1 Paul, an apostle, not from men, nor through man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised Him from the dead...

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Gal 1:15-17 But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and having called *me* by His grace, to reveal His Son in me so that I might preach Him among the nations, immediately I did not confer with flesh and blood; Nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those apostles before me, but I went into Arabia and returned again to Damascus.

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Challenge the normativ

Act 10:9-15 On the next day, as these went on *the* road, and drawing near the city, Peter went up on the housetop to pray, about *the* sixth hour. And he became very hungry and desired to eat. But while they made ready, an ecstasy fell on him. And he saw the heaven opened and a certain vessel like a sheet coming down to him, being bound at the four corners and let down to the earth; in which were all the four-footed animals of the earth, and the wild beasts, and the reptiles, and the birds of the heaven. And a voice came to him, saying, Rise, Peter! Kill and eat! But Peter said, Not so, Lord, for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean. And the voice *spoke* to him again the second *time*, What God has made clean, you do not call common.

Challenge the normative

1Sa 2:27 And there came a man of God to Eli, and said to him, So says Jehovah: Did I plainly appear to the house of your father when they were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house.....

Challenge the normative

Hag 1:3-4 Then came the Word of Jehovah by Haggai the prophet, saying, *Is it* time for you yourselves to dwell in your finished houses, and shall this House lie waste?

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Requires timing, thinking and
discernment

Act 10:17 And while Peter doubted within himself what the vision which he had seen might be, even behold, the men who were sent from Cornelius had asked for Simon's house and stood on the porch

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Brings justice and righteousness

Act 10:28-29 And he said to them, You know that it is an unlawful thing for a man, a Jew to keep company with or to come near to one of another nation. But God has shown me not to call any man common or unclean. Therefore I came without complaint, being sent for. I ask, then, for what reason have you sent for me.

Brings justice and righteousness

Isa 1:17-18 learn to do good; seek judgment, reprove the oppressor. Judge the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, and let us reason together, says Jehovah; though your sins are as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be like wool.

Brings justice and righteousness

Jer 9:24 but let him who glories glory in this, that he understands and knows Me, that I *am* Jehovah, doing kindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth; for in these I delight, says Jehovah.

Brings justice and righteousness

Mic 6:8 He has shown you, O man, what *is* good. And what does Jehovah require of you but to do justice and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God?

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Challenges traditions and doctrines

Act 15:5-6 But some of those from the sect of the Pharisees, having believed, rose up, saying, It was necessary to circumcise them and to command *them* to keep the Law of Moses. And the apostles and elders were assembled to see about this matter.

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Learning will enable a man to pass judgement on our yesterdays, but it requires a gift of clear seeing to pass sentence on our own day....

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Trust that God speaks to others

Eph 3:3-4 that by revelation He made known to me
the mystery as I wrote before in few words, by
which, when you read, you may understand my
knowledge in the mystery of Christ

Act 15:6 And the apostles and elders were assembled to see about this matter.

Act 15:7 And after much disputing, Peter rose up and said to them, Men, brothers.....

Act 15:13 And after they were silent, James answered, saying, Men, brothers, listen to me....

Act 15:19 Therefore my judgment is that we do not trouble those who have turned to God from among the nations...

Act 15:22 Then it pleased the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to send chosen men from them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; Judas, whose last name was Barsabas; and Silas, chief men among the brothers.

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Jer 23:28 The prophet who has a dream, let him tell a dream. And he who has My Word, let him speak My Word faithfully. What *is* the chaff to the wheat? says Jehovah

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Eze 37:4 Again He said to me, Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the Word of Jehovah.

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“Lord, I pray for that gift of prophetic insight. Move me beyond the knowledge You’ve enabled me to gain through education, reading, and study. I pray that I might lead as one ‘who has seen visions of God and has heard a voice from the throne. Amen.”

Who/what sets the agenda in your church/ministry?

- Does the *need* set the agenda?
- Does negotiated *consensus* among leaders set the agenda?
- Does the organization's *charter, constitution* or *by-laws* set the agenda?
- Does the *personal vision* of the person at the head of the organization set the agenda?
- Does the *democratic decision* of a congregation's constituents set the agenda?
- Does the *divine given revelation* set the agenda?