

INSPIRATIONAL LEADERSHIP

(Inspiring others to be better)

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1st Timothy 4:12

Inspirational leadership is inspiring others to be better than what they are. People are inspired when they **OBSERVE** what they want but do not have.

OBSERVATION germinates the seed for inspiration.

1st Timothy 4:12 says, "Do not let anyone treat you as if you are unimportant because you are young. Instead, be an example to the believers with your words, your actions, your love, your faith, and your pure life."

THE FIVE ELEMENTS OF INSPIRATION

The five elements of inspiration are the **TONGUE**, **CONDUCT**, **DEMONSTRATION**, **BELIEF SYSTEM** and **CHARACTER**. An inspirational leader embodies **EVERY**

attribute listed above. If a leader masters one attribute and neglects the other they are double minded.

They are hypocritical. They are bi-polar. When people are observing you they need a **CLEAR** picture of who you are. They cannot get a picture of who you are if you are inconsistent.

People emulate what they see. If they see you acting one way and living another way they are confused. You cannot inspire someone if they are confused on what to believe.

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TONGUE: People are inspired by how you **SPEAK**. Your words have the ability to change the minds of the people you speak to. Words can soften a persons heart and touch a persons soul. Words enter the depths of people lives and inspires them to be better.

CONDUCT: People are inspired by how you **BEHAVE**. Behavior is influential! When people see how you act it causes them to look at themselves. When you can inspire people to look at themselves you have made an impact that will last forever.

DEMONSTRATION: People are inspired by what you **DO**. What you do and how you do it can amaze people. When people are willing to follow what you do your works has inspired them.

BELIEF SYSTEM: People are inspired by your **FAITH**. The way you believe has the power to inspire other people's perception and perspective.

CHARACTER: People are inspired by **WHO YOU ARE**. Who you are speaks volumes of your entire being. When you are **CONSISTENT** in your attitude, values, beliefs and speech people will be inspired to be a better person because of you.

Inspirational leadership is the type of leadership where actions speak louder than words. You can impact thousands of people by doing this. People you have never met, seen or heard from will be affected when you are an inspirational leader.

Think about it! How many people did Malcolm X inspire whom he never met or spoke to? Many. How many people did Thurgood Marshall inspire whom he never met or spoke to? Many. How many people did President Barack Obama inspire whom he never met or spoke to? Many.

You see my point. Inspirational leadership stretches **BEYOND** your reach. You could be impacting an entire generation and not know it. People do not need to be close to you to be influenced by you!

You can be an inspirational leader if you perfect who you are. As it states in 1st Timothy 4:12 be an **EXAMPLE**. Be

different than the crowd. Be better than the norm. Live better than the average and you will become an inspirational leader.

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