

TESTING THE QUALITY OF LEADERSHIP

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Proverbs 11:14

The **STRENGTH** of a nation is determined by the quality of its leadership. The **QUALITY** of a nation is determined by the value of its leadership. It is easy to identify when a nation is led by great leadership.

If a nation is unified, strong, economically healthy, prosperous and vibrant that nation is the beneficiary of great leadership. However, if a nation suffers from lack, debt, division, corruption, violence, disease, etc that nation is the victim of poor leadership.

WHAT IS A NATION?

A nation is a large group of people associated with a particular territory. A nation could be a country, a family, a business, community, etc. The Hip Hop community is a nation. The L.G.B.T.Q is a nation. The Mafia is a nation.

Leadership dictates the tone, culture, values, beliefs and environment of a nation. If you want to follow good leadership examine the nation! The nation will tell you **EVERYTHING** you need to know.

If the nation is destitute, depressed, impoverished, distressed and oppressed that speaks volumes of the leadership. Think about it. Did you have the opportunity to meet Fidel Castro, the dictator of Cuba, to know what type of leader he was? No.

When you saw the condition of the Cuba citizens, you saw the leadership. The people of Cuba lived in fear for many years. They were prisoners in their own country. The style and quality of leadership was shown in the state of the nation.

Proverbs 11:14 says, "Without leadership a nation falls, but lots of good advice will save it." Leadership in this context of scripture is defined as **DIRECTION** and **COUNSEL**. The King James Version declares, "Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety."

The quality of counsel is vital to the success of a nation. Counsel comes from a **TRUSTED VOICE**. The trusted voice is influencing the decisions of the people in leadership.

If the leader of a nation trust the voice of the media that nation will live on the edge of changing trends. The leadership team will make decisions based on what is reported **NOT** what is proven.

The people who are under this type of leadership will be highly unstable in how they live. If the leader of a nation trust the voice of the Holy Spirit that nation will submit to

the laws of the Kingdom of God. It will be built on the foundation of faith. It will hold strong to the values of the Righteousness.

The people who are under this type of leadership will feel secure, joyful and fulfilled. **THE VOICE AND THE COUNTENANCE OF THE PEOPLE MATTER!** "Proverbs 29:2 says, "When good people do well, everyone is happy, but when evil people rule, everyone groans."

WATCH THE SMILES, HEARS THE CRIES

The smiles and cries of the people **SHOW** you what type of leadership they are under. Observe them before you decide to invest your time, resources and energy toward a nation (family, company, club). Observe the disposition of the people **FIRST**.

**LOOK DEEP BEFORE YOU LEAP SO YOU WON'T
REGRET WHAT YOU WENT INTO.**

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