

What I Know Now That I
Wish I had Known Then

I. Never Forget Your Calling

The Christian Leader is first and foremost a follower of Christ

- **a. Called by Him**

John 15:16” *You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to bear fruit”*

This involves humility

The Danger of Believing the Myth

- It all depends on us
- I can and must do it all.
- This leads to pride

II. Safeguard Your Personal Walk With The Lord

- A Failing to “Guard Our Hearts “Proverbs 4:23
- Satan loves to pick off Christian Leaders!
- Rev3:1-6 “...you have a reputation for being alive but you are dead. Wake up!
- The example of Moses

We lead from Who We Are Not What We Do

“One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life to gaze on the beauty of the Lord” Ps 27: 1

Seek spiritual depth Matthew 13.

111. Be Yourself!

- The danger of self doubt.

- We are called , empowered and complete in Him

Colossians 2:10 *“..and you have been given fullness in Christ...”*

Ephesians 4:7 *“”But to each one of us grace has been given ...”*

The danger of false humility – see ourselves as God sees us.

IV. The Importance of Boundaries.

a. Boundaries are good – Genesis 1:3; Job 38:8; Psalm 74:14-17

Boundary management is self leadership.

b. We need a support structure eg Moses arms help up by Aaron and Hur

c. The importance of family life.

d. Know your work rhythm

V. Work Hard But Hold It Lightly

- a. Joseph was not just a dreamer!
- b. Be Accountable
- c. Leadership requires endurance – Hebrews 13 run with patience and not give up.

We Must Plan for Succession

Be aware of personal pitfalls

- Exhaustion
- Loneliness
- Bitterness

2 Timothy 4: 7-8

“ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord the righteous Judge will award me on that day – and not only me, but also all who have longed for His appearing.”