



**AUTHENTIC  
PURSUIT:**  
*The Work of a  
Leader*



***1 Thessalonians 5:12-13***

***Now we ask you, brothers, to respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other.***





# Healthy Leaders Are Essential

*Acts 20:28*

*Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood.*





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- ... *Know God deeply*
- ... *Reflect His heart and ways abundantly*
- ... *Draw people together into God's Kingdom*





# Leaders Are Catalysts for Growth, Not Control

- *They oversee*
- *They admonish*





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***1 Thessalonians 2:7-8***

***We were gentle among you, like a mother caring for her little children. We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.***





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***1 Thessalonians 2:10-12***

***You are witnesses, and so is God, of how holy, righteous and blameless we were among you who believed. For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, encouraging, comforting, and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.***





# Leaders Are Catalysts for Growth, Not Control

- *They oversee*
- *They admonish*
- *They work hard*





# Think About It

- *Nurturing passionate followers of Jesus is of first importance.*
- *Who speaks into your life with grace and truth?*

