

Session Study #1 — Connected to Jesus

WEDNESDAY

- Why — Leadership has an outsized impact on church (and society). Those who lead have the ability to sway people in the right or wrong direction. And when things must be done, must change, or the cause must be advanced, a lack of leadership is catastrophic.
- What — Leading is moving people from here to there. In the church, it is not only move people from here to there, but it is **“Moving people on to God’s agenda.”** (Henry & Richard Blackaby’s book, *Spiritual Leadership*)
- Who — Who will lead? Those who are gifted and called.
 - *Romans 12:4-6a, “4For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, 5so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. 6aWe have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us.*
- How — There is no way one can move others onto God’s agenda without God’s help. It is the Spirit of God who gives some the extraordinary ability to lead. But once gifted and called, we must do our part to lead diligently.
 - *Romans 12:6b-8, “6bIf your gift is prophesying, then prophecy in accordance with your faith; 7if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; 8if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; **if it is to lead, do it diligently**; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.”*
 - What do you imagine LEADING DILIGENTLY requires? That is in essence what we are coving over the next 5 Sunday nights. Leading diligently means we are connected to Jesus, we are Christlike in our character, we are caring towards those we lead, we are committed to doing the work leadership requires, and we lead out of the gospel, centered on the good news of Jesus Christ.
- Where — Where is leadership needed in the life of FBC Kenedy?
 - OutReach Team Leader
 - InReach Team Leader

- Adult Small Group Director(s)
- Look for opportunities and/or speak with staff about taking on leadership.
- Outlining 5 Sessions + Wed. Night Teaching
 - Over the next five weeks we are going to be talking about leadership principles found in Scripture that are absolutely foundational, no matter what area you are or might be exercising leadership. The five principles go like this:
 - THE VERY BEST LEADERS IN THE CHURCH ARE...
 - ◆ Session #1 (TODAY) — Connected to Jesus
 - ◆ Session #2 (3/7) — Christlike in Character
 - ◆ Session #3 (3/14) — Caring Towards All
 - ◆ Session #4 (3/21) — Committed to the Work
 - ◆ Session #5 (3/28) — Centered on the Gospel
 - Will be teaching on concepts covered in upcoming weeks each Wednesday night at 6:00 p.m. on FaceBook. Videos will be posted to our page to view any time.