

LEADERS DESIGN THE FUTURE

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Mathew 4:17

The future is created by the leaders of today. The future waits for **PLANNERS**. The future waits for progressive thinkers. The future waits for **VISIONARIES**.

The future is a blank canvas waiting for a design. That design is only constructed by leaders. Followers wait to see what happens. Leaders **DECIDE** what happens.

You do not have to hold a position to be considered a leader. Your **ATTITUDE** determines if you are a leader. People who have the attitude of leadership believe that the impossible is possible. They possess a **CAN DO** attitude in what they do.

When you see problems as opportunities you have the spirit of leadership. When you see other people's trouble as your treasure you have the spirit of leadership. When

you see potential where hope is lost you have the spirit of leadership.

Leaders move things forward. Leaders create the path others follow. Leaders see the finish line in the midst of the fog. Leaders envision hope where there is despair.

ARE YOU THAT LEADER?

The greatest leader who has ever walked the earth is King Jesus. There is no one better to reference. King Jesus designed the future for His Kingdom citizens when He announced the arrival of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Mathew 4:17 says, "*From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*"

This scripture is significant in understanding how King Jesus designed the future for His citizens.

Adam lost the Kingdom in the book of Genesis. Once the Kingdom was lost, the future had no vision. **WITHOUT**

VISION THE PEOPLE PERISH! The reason there was an abundance of evilness, chaos, trouble and unrighteousness was because the future of God's plan was lost and hidden for years.

When King Jesus announced the **RETURN** of the Kingdom He was designing a **NEW** future that others would follow and benefit from. This is what leaders do. They reclaim what was lost. Restore what was destroyed and establish a better tomorrow.

If you are a leader, this should be your mindset. This should be your focus. Every leader carries the pressure of **THINKING ABOUT WHAT IS NEXT!**

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The future is about what is **NEXT**. King Jesus never stopped moving forward. Despite what came against Him, He always moved forward. This is what you need to do. Will challenges happen! Yes.

Will delays occur? Yes. Will problems get in the way? Yes. However, as a leader it is your **RESPONSIBILITY** to keep moving forward for the sake of the future and those who are dependent on it.

THE FIVES STEPS TO DESIGNING THE FUTURE

1. Think
2. Plan
3. Pray
4. Action

These five steps are a continuous cycle of how leaders move forward and design the future. They **THINK** about what to do. They write a **PLAN** to make the vision plain. They **PRAY** to receive counsel from the Holy Spirit and **MOVE** in action to materialize vision.

Leaders do not do this once. They do this **CONTINUOUSLY!** Unlike an employee at a company, a leader's job is never done! Leaders continue to move

forward until God removes them from the earth. If you are a leader your work is never finished, it only continues.

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