



# Journey Church

take the next step

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## The Heart and Calling of a Leader

If there are **3 words** your church is **KNOWN** for...what would they be?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

**MAIN IDEA:** Your church will become who **YOU** are.

### Proverbs 4:23

*Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.*

### 1 Timothy 3:1-7

*1 The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. 2 Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, 3 not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. 4 He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, 5 for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? 6 He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. 7 Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.*

"What my people most need from me are not my clever sermons but my personal holiness."

Robert Murray McChyenne

Embrace the vision **PERSONALLY**

Problem is we are trying to spread a message/idea/behavior **that has not taken root inside us.**

Starts from the **INSIDE. SPREADS** to the outside.

**Identity:** Who are you, **REALLY?**

- What would you do **NATURALLY** if it became **ILLEGAL** today to be a pastor?
- Be **yourself**. David couldn't wear Saul's armor – said "**GIVE ME MY ROCKS**".

- We live in a church culture that is carbon copied and cut & paste.
- Don't imitate their miracle – imitate their faith.
- Same faith – different miracles.
- Your **uniqueness** is your **POWER**.
- Don't front like you have a word from God if you downloaded it or cut and paste from book.
- No substitute for getting alone, fasting, praying, groping, for the burden from God.

**Achievement:** What have you **ACCOMPLISHED** lately?

- Create a culture of intensity.
- Hard work is imperative – don't have time for lazy people.
- I hear people saying...I don't want to burn out...and I think dude, you have to be on fire first.
- Farmer, Soldier, Athlete

**Reputation:** How do **OTHER** people **SEE** you?

- Are people following you?
- Are people imitating / emulating your lifestyle?

**Acceptance:** What **CAN** I change? What is out of my **CONTROL**?

- Think **INSIDE** the **BOX**
- Rebuild one block at a time.
- Don't get in a **HURRY**.

Space between hope and change is **PAIN**.

Best thing I can do as a leader when I don't feel the passion I once did around the vision is to confess it to a safe group of people. Stop faking it. People know. They will sense it and not engage.

**Six Coaching Questions:**

1. How are you?
2. What are you celebrating? Where are you winning?
3. What challenges are you facing?
4. How will YOU tackle those challenges?
5. How can I help you?
6. How can I pray for you?
7. What have you done about the stuff we discussed last time?