MONDAY GUIET

Practicing Leadership: A One-Week Study

Throughout this week, in lecture and small group, you will learn the principles of Christlike leadership. This devotional study is meant to equip you with a few practices that can be helpful in showing Christlike character to those following you. Paul in 1 Corinthians had the confidence in his walk with his Savior to say, "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ." This study will equip you with additional tools to help point others to God as you pursue after him.

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Micah 6.8

As Christlike leaders we need to be humble. The character of Christ is one of uniform humility. Philippians 2.5-8 says "Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

Biblical examples of leaders practicing humility are numerous, but so too are those examples of leaders demonstrating pride. Solomon gives us a good model of leading with humility at the beginning of his reign when God gives him an opportunity to ask him for anything.

Read 2 Chronicles 1.1-13

How does Solomon's request demonstrate an attitude of humility?

•	Solomon will later write in Proverbs 9.10 that, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight." How might the idea of "the fear of the Lord," and the practice of humility be related?
•	How can you practice humility this week?

How can you grow in wisdom this week?

PRAYER

more like Him. Ask that he direct you in a life of humility born out of an appreciation of who he is and who you are. Confess that you are often prideful and self-focused. Pray for the awareness that the humility you model will influence the lives of those following you.

Ask God to make you