

Dwelling in the Word

Leadership Training

Leadership in Old Testament: Jethro gives Moses Advice
Exodus 18:14, 18, 21, 22-23

¹⁴ When his father-in-law saw all that Moses was doing for the people, he said, "What is this you are doing for the people? Why do you alone sit as judge, while all these people stand around you from morning till evening?"... ¹⁸ You and these people who come to you will only wear yourselves out. The work is too heavy for you; you cannot handle it alone...

²¹ But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens... ²² Have them serve as judges for the people at all times, but have them bring every difficult case to you; the simple cases they can decide themselves. That will make your load lighter, because they will share it with you. ²³ If you do this and God so commands, you will be able to stand the strain, and all these people will go home satisfied.

What does this passage say about God's intention for leadership?

What resources did they have? What resources do you have (as an individual, as a church)?

How has Christ empowered you and the leaders in the church?

Share prayers concerns and pray for each other.