



DISCUSSION GUIDE

THIS WEEK: Proverbs 16:9; 15:22-23; 16:11-12; 27:23-27

GETTING STARTED

When you think of “leadership,” what comes to mind?

If you’re willing, share a positive story about leadership in your life.

If you’re willing, share a negative story about leadership in your life.

QUICK REACTIONS

Have you ever been led by someone who didn’t have a position of leadership above you, but still led you?

Where are your circles of influence? What makes serving in these places a joy? What makes it hard?

QUESTIONS FROM THE MESSAGE

What do you recall from the message? Why did that stick out to you?

Which verse do you recall the most?

Katie shared four things that people of influence need: 1. To know that they are needy. 2. To value honesty from wise people. 3. To seek integrity. 4. To pay attention to those around them.

What other qualities do you think the Bible speaks to about those in leadership? Are there things you might add?

Is there one of the four that are difficult for you? Are there any you would rank as the most important?

Which one has blessed you while you were under someone’s leadership?

EXPLORE THE PASSAGES [Proverbs 15:22, 27:23-27]

Proverbs 15:22 – Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed. Have you seen this in your life?

In what ways is honesty hard and costly?

Proverbs 15:23 – A person finds joy in giving an apt reply – and how good is a timely word! Where have you seen this in your life?

Proverbs 27:23-27. What do you think the Bible means when it invites people to “know well the condition of your flock”? What does this look like in your life?

APPLY THE PASSAGE

What do we learn about God and about ourselves in these passages?

How can we pray for each other?