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Throughout our lives, we have sought fellowship with & guidance from mentors. We have looked for answers, seeking to follow someone or some ideal. We are all looking for a LEADER. I'm Ken Trahan & Welcome to Walking in the Word with Williams Blvd. Baptist Church.

LEADER...At some point in our lives, as we mature & grow, take franchise of our own lives, becoming a LEADER. Actually, we should be both a follower & a LEADER—a follower of Jesus Christ & a LEADER for Him!

To be a LEADER, we take on certain characteristics. From A to Z, a LEADER must be adaptable, adapting to all climates & situations. A LEADER is also attentive—keenly interested in & aware of what others are speaking & doing.

A LEADER is believable, someone who speaks truth & has integrity. A LEADER is competitive, seeking to succeed through maximum effort. A LEADER is also creative—finding new methods to reach others. A LEADER is daring & decisive—willing to take chances to accomplish goals & strong & consistent with decisions.

A LEADER is ethical. He does not lie or cheat to succeed. A LEADER is fervent about what he or she believes in. A LEADER is giving—willing to take control in aiding someone in need rather than waiting for others to step up.

A LEADER is happy. A LEADER is inquisitive—seeking knowledge to learn. A LEADER is inspirational, able to inspire followers. A LEADER is joyful, understanding that the joy of the Lord is our strength, Nehemiah 8:10.

A LEADER is one who seeks the kingdom first—Matthew 6:33. A LEADER is one who listens to others to gain wisdom. A LEADER is a magnet, attracting others with leadership qualities. A LEADER is natural in taking responsibility.

A LEADER is open-minded & opportunistic—willing to hear a different perspective while seizing the moment to accomplish a goal. A LEADER is patient, able to resist anger. A LEADER is a person of quality who never quits. A LEADER is a role model, setting an example for all to see while show resilience when times are tough.

A LEADER is supportive & service-minded, displaying both a heart & the time for others. A LEADER is true to His God & knows the truth, John 14:6. A LEADER is understanding of the needs of others. A LEADER is one who voices what he or she knows to be right & is a visionary. A LEADER is a winner, who refuses to lose.

A LEADER displays extraordinary courage under fire. A LEADER yearns to learn more about God's Word. A LEADER has zero tolerance for false teaching. The consummate LEADER who displays all of these traits is our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ. He adapted to becoming man. He was believable. He was creative in helping us to understand. He was daring & decisive—not worried about consequences.

Jesus was ethical—He never deceived others. He was fervent in what He taught. He was giving—always providing for those in need. He was happy when talking about His Father. He was inquisitive, wanting to know more about His Father's will. He inspired many to follow Him anywhere. He was joyful in the knowledge of what He would do for mankind. He was sure of the Kingdom that was to come for believers.

He was willing to listen to the needs of all. He was a magnet for mankind. He was a natural born leader. He was open-minded to those from all walks of life. He was opportunistic, displaying His deity in the presence of large groups. He was patient with sinners. He was a person of quality & He never quit trying to share the Gospel.

He was a role model for all & was resilient in dealing with setbacks. He was supportive of those around Him & the most service-minded person who ever lived. He was & is truth. He us. He was the ultimate visionary. He was a winner, the greatest ever. Jesus yearned to do His Father's will. He had zero tolerance for Satan or His ways.

Jesus was the consummate LEADER. He provided the skills & example for us to lead. Let us not shun our calling & responsibility. Let us accept the calling to be LEADERS—LEADERS for our families, LEADERS for our friends, LEADERS for our co-workers, LEADERS for the Lord, God!

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