## Peter—A Good Leader

# What makes a Good Leader?



# Inquisitiveness

- When you are looking for a leader you want someone who asks lots of questions.
- A leader is someone who asks the right questions and genuinely looking for answers.
- ? Curiosity is critical for leadership.
- ? Leaders have a need, or hunger, for answers.
- Rnowledge is power (whoever has the information has the lead)
  - The best problem solvers are those who are driven by an unquenchable enthusiasm for knowing and understanding things.

    Peter asks more questions than all the other

apostles combined.

It was usually Peter who asked the Lord to explain His difficult sayings.

It was Peter who asked what reward the disciples would get for having left everything to follow Jesus.

People who are content with what they don't know, happy to remain ignorant about what they don't understand, complacent about what they haven't analyzed, and comfortable living with problems they haven't solved...such people can not lead.

### **Initiative**



A leader has drive, ambition, and energy.



A true leader must be the kind of person who makes things happen.



He/She is a starter.



A leader should be physically fit and spiritually sound.

People who are passive and hesitant do not make strong leaders.



Peter not only asked questions but he was the first to answer any question posed by Christ. (See Matthew 16:13)

Sometimes Peter had to take a step back, undo, retract, or be rebuked, but he was always willing to grab at opportunities. (Matthew 26:47, Mark 14:43, and Luke 22:47)

### **Involvement**



True leaders are always in the middle of the action.



They do not sit on the background and tell others what to do.



A true leader goes around with a cloud of dust around them.



A true leader must show the way.



A true leader goes before his followers into battle.



A true leader has courage.

People can not follow someone who is distant or ignores problems around them.

People who bail out of problems instead of facing them do not make good leaders.

People who blame others for their mistakes do not make good leaders.



Peter had enough courage to get out of the boat when he saw Jesus' walking on the water.

Even after he denied the Savior three times, he did not give up on the Savior's teachings, he still had courage to be a missionary and send the message to as many as would hear.

# Integrity



Making a commitment and being consistent.



Taking ownership of your mistakes.



Being a good role model.



Follow ethical standards and rules.



Committing to your core values.



Being honest with family and associates



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