

Road Trip - Book of Numbers Part 5

Follow the leader. Numbers 16

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Memory Verse - Psalms 75:6-7



Natural Leadership

Independent
Self confident
Knows men
Makes own decisions
Motivated by self gain
Originates own methods
Enjoys commanding others

Spiritual leadership

God dependent
Confident in God
Knows men and God
Seeks God will
Motivated by love for God and man
Follows God's methods
Delights in obeying God

1. Korah _____ puffs _____ himself up before man but Moses casts himself down before God. Numbers 16:1-4

A spiritual leader receives leadership from God and does not take it from man.

2. Korah calls men to follow himself but Moses calls men to follow God. Numbers 16:5-7

A spiritual leader leads people to the foot of the cross.

3. Korah devalue God's assignment and Moses _____ honors _____ it. Numbers 16:8-11

Spiritual leaders honor God's assignments for their lives.

4. Korah focused on himself but Moses' focus was the _____ people. Numbers 16:12-27

A spiritual leader loves the people he/she leads more than the people love him.

5. Korah's pride destroyed him while Moses _____ humility _____ brought him honor. Numbers 16:28-35

A spiritual leader understands the level of intimacy with God necessary for effective leadership.

END TIMES UPDATE

The Anti-Christ will establish a seven year peace treaty with Israel and break it after 3.5 years to begin the Great Tribulation.

2 Thessalonians 2:3-10 • Daniel 9:27 • Revelation 13

Homework: Take a personal assessment of your leadership tendencies and identify one area you can improve on to become more of a spiritual leader.

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Homework Questions

Bring this with you to small group this week.

1. We get messages from every part of our culture that tell us to look out and protect ourselves. How is this contrary to what God expects of us? Can you identify specific ad slogans that send messages that help us to justify our disobedience?

2. As we begin to "dig in," start to consider an area of your life where God is asking you to stop justifying your disobedience and start simply obeying – no matter how much you feel you are entitled to do things the way you want.

3. Consider Ruth in **Ruth 1:1-18**. Ruth followed the decrees God set forth for His people, even when she might have been – from the world's perspective - justified to do things differently.

- d. Based on her behavior, what do you think was the most important thing to Ruth?
- e. In what way was she given an "out" to obeying God? Ultimately, what did she do?
- f. What can we learn from Ruth's example about obeying God, rather than justifying what we think we deserve?

4. Read **Mark 14:1-9**. In this passage, Jesus disciples justify their opposition to this women's behavior.

- g. What was the basis for their opposition? Does their opposition seem justifiable?
- h. What was Jesus reply?
- i. What is the message Jesus sent to them and ultimately, to us?

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