

The Prayer Leader Seeks and Learns

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- **The Prayer Leader seeks hard after God**
See “Disciplines for the Prayer Leader” document.
- **The Prayer Leader learns to stoke the fire in his or her heart**
A prayer leader must be passionate about growing his or her prayer life. He needs to be constantly training that passion by reading on prayer, listening to others speak on prayer, trying new personal approaches in prayer, and experimenting with corporate prayer services.
- **The Prayer Leader serves for the joy of serving others**
Being in deep communion with God through personal prayer maintains an attitude of servanthood and brokenness. But the prayer leader is not in the leadership position so that others will be impressed by his or her spirituality. He or she serves as a prayer leader for the joy of serving others, passing on the benefits of that communion to them.
- **The Prayer Leader must deal properly with failure**
The prayer leader will fail in various ways from time to time. While it is completely normal to fail, it is not to be considered normal to be content with failure. Prayer leaders who have failed or fallen in some way must do whatever it takes to get back on track. No level of radical obedience should be too much to pay.
- **The Prayer Leader learns to recognize temptation and stands firm**
When a man or woman of God chooses to take on this role, harassment from Satan is to be expected. Attacks may come in all forms. One method he seems to use to attack me is to cause expensive items around the house to break! He may also attempt through various means to disrupt relationships. Another weapon is to bring about disheartening circumstances or, even more common, to attempt to cause us to feel more miserable during normal, difficult circumstances. The enemy’s great hope is that you will become discouraged and leave your post as prayer leader, to determine that the role is just too emotionally costly to maintain.

The good news is that God is in charge and will not allow us to be tempted beyond what we can endure. (See 1 Corinthians 10:13.)