

Boundaries in Ministry/Confessions of a Driven Leader Ransom Leadership Training- October 13, 2018

Big Principle: I will carry my own _____ and other people's _____.

*²Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. ⁴Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, ⁵for each one should carry their own load.
(Galatians 6:2-5)*

- Load = _____
- Burden = _____

Truth: Everyone has a _____ in Life

Behaviors of Healthy People:

1. Healthy people accomplish their own _____ and feel _____ to help other people accomplish theirs.

Give proper recognition to those widows who are really in need. ⁴But if a widow has children or grandchildren, these should learn first of all to put their religion into practice by caring for their own family and so repaying their parents and grandparents, for this is pleasing to God. ⁵The widow who is really in need and left all alone puts her hope in God and continues night and day to pray and to ask God for help. ⁶But the widow who lives for pleasure is dead even while she lives. ⁷Give the people these instructions, so that no one may be open to blame. ⁸Anyone who does not provide for their relatives, and especially for their own household, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever. (1 Timothy 5:3-8)

Healthy people carry their own load. They _____ b/c they do their own work.

Healthy people _____ carry other people's Loads

Unhealthy people do not carry their own load. They _____ other people to carry their load.

For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "If a man will not work, he shall not eat." (2 Thessalonians 3:10)

Unhealthy people carry other people's load. This is called

_____.

Healthy people come alongside those who are _____ because they are _____.

Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world. (James 1:27)

Key: You must carry your own load in such a way that you have _____ to help others.

- Can't have a _____ and be swayed by my _____ to help others...

Becoming a Healthy Leader:

1. Healthy Leaders _____ their _____.

When Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. ¹²For before certain men came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But when they arrived, he began to draw back and separate himself from the Gentiles because he was afraid of those who belonged to the circumcision group. ¹³The other Jews joined him in his hypocrisy, so that by their hypocrisy even Barnabas was led astray. ¹⁴When I saw that they were not acting in line with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in front of them all, "You are a Jew, yet you live like a Gentile and not like a Jew. How is it, then, that you force Gentiles to follow Jewish customs? ¹⁵"We who are Jews by birth and not sinful Gentiles ¹⁶know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified. (Galatians 2:11-16)

2. Healthy Leaders protect their _____.

Leaders are always aware of their _____ people

3. Healthy Leaders protect their _____.

4. Healthy Leaders protect their _____.

5. Healthy Leaders protect their _____.

Gideon and his three hundred men, exhausted yet keeping up the pursuit, came to the Jordan and crossed it. (Judges 8:4)

Ministry can be _____.

Reality: Ministry can also be _____.

Question: Have you ever had your bucket so full of _____ that there was no room left for _____?

This is what the LORD says: "Stop at the crossroads and look around. Ask for the old, godly way, and walk in it. Travel its path, and you will find rest for your souls. But you reply, 'No, that's not the road we want!'" (Jeremiah 6: 16 NLT)

We can get so caught up in where we want _____ ministry to go, that we leave the path of _____ behind...

Leadership TOXINS that can POISON your Soul

1. Wearing Busyness and hurry as a _____.

FACT: _____ do not make good partners

You cannot follow Jesus as a _____.

Running on Empty will eventually lead to Cynicism, Disillusionment and _____.

2. _____ Management

*“Esse quam videri- to be rather than appear to be”
(From the coat of arms of Gregory Nazianzen)*

Q: How is your _____?

And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul? (Matthew 16:26 NLT)

You are walking in a _____ when your experience, skill and outward success begins to outpace your _____.

3. Letting your ministry become your _____.

“You can do ministry at such a pace and in such a way that your work FOR God destroys the work OF God in you.” (Bill Hybels)

The greatest gift you give those who lead you is your own authentic _____.

4. Letting the _____ become Commonplace

*“And you say, ‘What a burden!’ and you sniff at it contemptuously,” says the Lord Almighty. When you bring injured, crippled or diseased animals and offer them as sacrifices, should I accept them from your hands?” says the Lord.
(Malachi 1:13 NIV)*

Test: Do you see ministry as a _____ or a _____?

5. Relational _____.

- 4 realms- _____

Question: Who Really _____ You?

6. Being an _____.

Discussion:

1. Get Brutally Honest- What is the condition of your soul? Has there been spiritual drift in your life?
2. Which of these six spiritual toxins is most poisoning your soul?
3. Take some time to lift each other up in prayer