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Jambo You(th) is a weekly news letter aimed at
helping the Youth in molding their daily lives in Christ.

Our vision consists in two phrases:
'GOOD CHRISTIANS' and
'HONEST CITIZENS.'

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PEP

UP!

The Animal School

Once upon a time, the animals decided they must do something heroic to meet the problems of “a new world.” So they organized a school. They adopted an activity curriculum consisting of running, climbing, swimming and flying. To make it easier to administer the curriculum, all the animals took all the subjects. The duck was excellent in swimming, in fact better than his instructor, but he made only passing grades in flying and was very poor in running. Since he was slow in running, he had to stay after school and also drop swimming in order to practice running. This was kept up until his webbed feet were badly worn and he was only average in swimming. But average was acceptable in school, so nobody worried about that except the duck. The rabbit started at the top of the class in running, but had a nervous breakdown because of so much make-up work in swimming. The squirrel was excellent in climbing until he developed frustration in the flying class where his teacher made him start from the ground up instead of from the treetop down. Every one of them was found lacking one or more of the necessary skills. The instructor was hard on them and wanted every one to master all the skills. Within short time all the animals lost interest in the school. Besides they have even lost confidence in themselves. At the end of the year all of them had dropped out of the school. From then on , life in the forest went on as before.

Lesson: Help others to develop the talents they already have rather than expecting them to fair well in everything.

FAQs by YOUTH

Q 1. Are we obliged to listen to leaders who do not practice what they preach?

We need to clarify few things here. First of all leadership is a gift given by God. This gift is given to human beings who are not perfect (in human terms). One thing we should be careful here is to be slow in judging. God uses human beings in spite of their limitations. We have number of examples in O.T. (Samson, Saul, David, Solomon, etc..)

In our present time we may find in our society (both secular and religious) a number of leaders who may not live in accordance with what they teach. These often become a stumbling block on our way. But that should not be the case. As Christians our greatest model and leader is Jesus himself, if our leaders are not doing what they preach we should not get discouraged. First of all we should pray for them. Talk to them if you are able and always remain faithful to what you know to be right and good.

Remember the words of Jesus, “do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach.”(Mt.23:3) Therefore you can take this good lesson from Jesus and listen to your leaders even if they do not practice what they teach. The best way to change your leaders is perhaps to pray for them!

The Jesus' Style of Leadership

The quality of our relationships is the measure of our Christian authenticity. Relatability to groups as well as to individuals is the key to communicating the Gospel in this or any age. The following eight qualities found in Jesus may help you to experience creative relationships with the people around you.

(1) Identify with people. This is the Incarnation principle. Jesus came to earth to be one of us totally. He commands us to be one with people, to open our lives enough to let people know that we hurt and hope and feel in the same way they do. **(LK: 7:13, Jn.11:32 - 36)**

(2) Listen to people. This is what love is all about. The ministry of listening is rare. Try to remember the last time somebody drew you out, asked you questions and listened intently. Where there can be an exchange of ideas, feelings and hurts, we feel God's love through the other person. **(LK: 7:6 -9)**

(3) Affirm people. How often we act like John the Baptist with those around us. We teach, correct, point out faults and bring down wrath. But Jesus had a very different style. He believed in people, affirmed them, called fishermen to be apostles, loved prostitutes, Pharisees and Samaritans. People found hope because of their relationship to Jesus. **(Mt: 16:18)**

(4) Share decision-making. We honor other people when we let them in on planning, whether we're making plans for our family, our church or the world. Include those involved in setting goals and determining strategy. **(Mk.6: 34 - 39)**

the YOUNG & the BIBLE

(5) Don't try to change people. Who are the people who helped you most in a crucial situation? It was probably not the advice-givers. When we give advice, we put ourselves in a superior position. To press for change, however subtly, indicates that the person is unacceptable as he/she is. **(Lk: 19:1 - 10)**

(6) Love specifically. Love one person at a time and love that person in specific ways. We bog down when we try to love everybody instead of taking on a few as our particular mission. The whole Kingdom of God came about because Jesus spent three years in deep relationship with twelve men. **(Mk: 3:13 - 16)**



(7) Ask for help. Be willing to receive from other people. This aspect of "Jesus style" characterizes most good leadership today. Jesus asked people for food, water, help and companionship. If we are willing to ask for help, we can launch into new areas of ministry where we have no expertise. **(Jn: 4:7)**

(8) Love in terms meaningful to the other person. Give what is wanted, not what you enjoy giving. Does the person you are trying to love want the kind of help you find it so satisfying to provide? What must you do to convey unmistakably to that person that he/she is loved and cared for by you? **(Mt.10:51, Lk.18:41)**

by Bruce Larson

SITE

SEEING



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A Site for Creative Leadership

The Center for Creative Leadership is a nonprofit educational institution that serves as an international resource for increasing the leadership capabilities of individuals and organizations from across the public, private and nonprofit sectors. Their mission is to advance the understanding, practice and development of leadership for the benefit of society worldwide. This site aims to help individuals and organizations address leadership challenges.

The Center continues to work on research projects to develop knowledge and expertise through several research groups:

Individual Leader Development; Global Leadership and Diversity; Groups, Teams and Organizations; Design & Evaluation Center; and Knowledge & Innovation Resources.



Ten Mental blocks ...

Block...

1. What is the right answer?
2. That is not logical.
3. Follow the rules.
4. Be practical.
5. Avoid ambiguity.
6. To err is wrong.
7. Play is frivolous (silly).
8. That is not my area.
9. Don't be foolish.
10. I'm not creative.

Guidelines to freedom...

Guide lines to Freedom...

1. Avoid right answer syndrome.
2. Promote thinking that isn't always logical
3. Break rule constructively
4. Encourage impractical thinking.
5. Allow ambiguity. (opposite of clarity)
6. Celebrate flops.
7. Don't be so serious always.
8. Expose people to new ideas.
9. Be a fool sometimes!
10. Treat creativity as a skill, not a gift.

Dr. Roger Von Oech

LAST DROP

A leader is the best, when people barely knows he exists, Not so good, when people obey and acclaim him. Worse, when they despise him.

But of a good leader,
who talks little when his work is done...
They will say, "We did it ourselves."

Happiness is enhanced by others but it does not depend on others. Jane & Monica wanjiku

Love is strengthened by working through conflict together.
Cont. by Jane & Monica wanjiku.
