

# Increasing Your Leadership Capacity - Part 1

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## I. Introduction.

A. Subject: what a leader does when the task is beyond his capacity.

B. Both management and leadership are needed.

## II. Leaders bring vision, faith and courage to a coordinated effort.

A. Vision to see what ought to be done. (Nehemiah 2)

1. This requires human warmth.
2. Nehemiah knew what to do and why.
3. Liberty was left for the how.
4. When you get a clear vision for your purpose in ministry, write it down.

B. Faith to see that it can be done.

1. Nehemiah's faith was rooted in Scripture.
2. It helps to have a purpose rooted in Scripture. This becomes an anchor and helps to bring vision and faith to others. (Romans 10:17)

C Perseverance to see it done. (Joshua 1)

1. Let the people know that God that God is with you, which means you are to be with God. This is the quiet time for us. (2 Chronicles 15:2)
  - a. Biblical leadership begins with the quiet time.
  - b. The speaker prays his day forward as an example
5. Take the lead.
6. Be of good courage.
  - a. This involves character.
  - b. Success is never final, and failure is never fatal. It is courage that counts. (Churchill)
  - c. Thank God that He will see you through the problems. (James 1)
  - d. Courage is the mental willingness to endure.

III. Leaders must learn to manage.

- A. This is hard work because one runs into people problems.
- B. Managing is planning, organizing, leading and evaluating.
- C. Things that followers want to know from their leaders.

- 1. What am I supposed to do?
- 2. Will you let me do it?
- 3. Will you help me when I need it?
- 4. Will you let me know how I am doing?

IV. Discussion.

**Application questions**

1. How does a leader bring vision, faith and courage according to the speaker?

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2. What relationship does leadership have to management? What does this look like?

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3. How will your leadership look different in light of the message? Be specific.

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