

Key Things You Heard

- Leadership = Influence
- Influence = The capacity to have an effect on the character, development, or behavior of someone.
- There will be a new heaven and a new earth.

Pray

Heavenly Father, You have called each of us to lead others to Christ and into a deeper relationship with Christ. Teach us to be better leaders and leverage the opportunities you have given us for good in someone else's life. Let us learn to lead like Jesus. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Tweetable Moments

"Bad leaders take the credit and give the blame."

"Jesus takes sin and gives grace. He takes death and gives life."

Week One | Shepherd

Questions for Conversation

Icebreaker: Which leader do you admire the most?

- Influence is the capacity to have an effect on the character, development, or behavior of someone. Based on this definition, who do you lead in life?
- Read John 10:10-11 and Hebrews 12:1. What is something you need to lay down for the benefit of those you lead? What is something you need to lay down to become a better leader?
- We must look to Jesus to see how we should be leading those that God has given us influence over. Jesus takes sin and gives grace. He takes death and gives life. Knowing this about Jesus, how can you practically be like Jesus in your leadership?
- In the message this week, Clayton said, “Leadership is not what you get from the sheep but what you sacrifice for the sheep.” Are there areas in your life where you are taking more than giving? What steps might you need to take to see this change in your life? If you would change, what impact would it have on those who look to you as a leader?

Now Go Do It (resources and next steps)

Challenge: Make a list of the people you have influence over. For the next 30 days, pray about the following things:

- That God would show you what you need to lay down to be a better leader. When He does, let someone know what God requires of you.
- Pray for each person on your list every day.
- Pray about what God wants you to do to foster a deeper relationship with the people who are following you.

Is some of your influence in the workplace? Watch “Lead Like a Shepherd” by Larry Osborne on RightNow Media. <https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/Series/292664>