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SUMMARY:


**SEVEN QUALITIES AND ACTIONS
OF A GOOD LEADER**



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1. CHARACTER AND INTEGRITY


- Be as good as your word, and action must match your words.
- Be true to teammates and most will return in kind.
- Create a safe environment (psychologically as well as physically) for people to work and participate.



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CHARACTER AND INTEGRITY


- Can you think of a Biblical leader who had demonstrated great strength of character and integrity?
- What is the effect on a group if the leader is not very honest?
- What is the effect on a group if the leader can not be trusted to keep his/her word?



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2 VISIONARY


- Discover and articulate a shared vision.
- The group should know what their goals are, and the job of the leader is to help the group develop those goals.
- Vision is a tool to keep everyone focused.
- The goal should be to keep everyone working together.



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VISIONARY


- Can you think of a Biblical leader that exhibited this trait?
- What is the effect on a group if the leader does not have this capacity?



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3 PLANNING

- Make sure the group has a plan.
- A group must have a plan for achieving its goals.
- Be flexible and adapt to change.
- Help the group create a plan that states the objectives as well as the details so the plan can remain flexible when circumstances change.
- Be prepared to step back and let others lead and motivate people forward.



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PLANNING



- **Can you think of a Biblical leader that planned well?**
- **What happens to a group when there is no plan?**

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4. COMMUNICATION



- A leader must be able to communicate clearly, succinctly and articulately.
- Instructions should be clear, direct and concise.
- Communication should motivate as well as instruct.
- Also, the leader must be able to listen well.
- Being open to other's ideas and encouraging discussion and debate are critical elements of leadership.

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COMMUNICATION




- **Can you think of a Biblical leader who was a good communicator?**
- **What is the effect on a group if the leader is not an effective communicator?**

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5. RESPONSIBLE

- The good leader never abandons the group to go off and “do his/her own thing.
- Another critical element is the ability to make the final decision and to assume final responsibility for the decision.
- A leader assumes the final responsibility for the decision regardless of the outcome.
- A good leader sticks with the goals even when some in the group want to forget about it.
- The good leader does not let people in the group get him/her off track from the goal and purposes.




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RESPONSIBLE

Can you think of a Biblical leader who was very responsible? Can you think of one who was irresponsible?


What is the effect on a group if the leader does not have this quality?



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6. RESOURCEFUL

- Resources can be money, material resources, or knowledge and skills.
- A leader uses all available tools and technology, and help available from others to get the job done.
- Leaders have to know and understand communications tools and make them work for success.
- Good leaders get help from others when they themselves do not have the resources themselves to get the job done.
- They must also provide the right tools to complete assignments delegated.




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RESOURCEFUL

Can you think of a Biblical leader who was resourceful?


What is the effect on a group if the leader is not very resourceful?



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7. PROBLEM SOLVING

- A good leader must be willing to solve problems and not let them fester.
- If a leader sees a problem in the group, the leader must use a logical approach and not let emotions stand in the way of logical thinking.
- To come up with solutions to solve problem, the leader must brainstorm as many ways as possible that the problem might be solved pray for God's guidance to make a decision about how to proceed.
- The leader should follow through on the plan that s/he has decided on.



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PROBLEM-SOLVING

- Do you know a Biblical leader who was a good problem-solver?
- What is the effect on a group if the leader does not attempt to solve problems, but lets them fester and go unattended?

