

# Christian Leadership Reflections

## *Personal Reflection Guide*

### IT'S (NOT) LONELY AT THE TOP!

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- 1) As a leader, have you experienced times of loneliness in your ministry? Looking back on those times, can you now see that there were people who could have helped with challenging issues if you had reached out to them? Who were they? Who might those people be today? How can you reach out to them?
- 2) Do you routinely involve your staff in ministry leadership discussions? If not, would incorporating that practice benefit you and the ministry you share? What are your concerns about being more transparent and vulnerable with staff? What would the boundaries be?
- 3) It is tempting to try to be a “heroic leader”, but God doesn’t expect you to do *everything* well. What shortcomings or weaknesses of yours can be compensated by someone who God has placed near you? What specific help do you need and who could provide it?
- 4) The board of your ministry wants you to succeed. How can they support you? What do you want from your directors?
- 5) Do you have deep, meaningful conversations with peers outside of your own organization? If not, think about who might be a good fit for you in this mutually beneficial relationship. Make a list of the topics you’d like to have conversations about.
- 6) It’s important to remember that the ministry you support is God’s, not yours. Do your spiritual disciplines and practices allow you to commune with him and follow his leading?