

Sketch of a Good Leader

The following list of contrasting remarks has been offered as a character sketch of a good leader. As a personal challenge, as you read through the list, circle the descriptive words you believe most closely identify you.

- Self-reliant but not self-sufficient.
- Energetic but not self-seeking.
- Steadfast but not stubborn.
- Tactful but not timid.
- Serious but not sullen.
- Loyal but not sectarian.
- Unmovable but not stationary.
- Gentle but not hypersensitive.
- Tender-hearted but not touchy.
- Conscientious but not a perfectionist.
- Disciplined but not demanding.
- Generous but not gullible.
- Meek but not weak.
- Humorous but not hilarious.
- Friendly but not familiar.
- Holy but not holier-than-thou.
- Discerning but not critical.
- Progressive but not pretentious.
- Authoritative but not autocratic.

Today, ask God to help you develop in the descriptive words you didn't circle.

Wisdom dictates that when you put others before yourself, you can become a leader among men and women.

As I always remind associates attending the Life Care Journey: "But whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant." (Matthew 20:26-27)

--Beecher Hunter