

*“Spiritual Leadership in the Home”*

**Ezekiel 34:1-6**

## **Christ-Centered Home**

*“It’s a place where family members live their lives under the “bright shadow” of the presence of the Son of God – where people speak and act and relate to one another in the awareness that Jesus Himself is an intimately concerned participant in everything they do. It’s a household of which it can truly be said, ‘Christ is the Head of this house, the Unseen Guest at every meal, the Silent Listener to every conversation.’”*

*“Leadership is the process of persuasion or example by which an individual induces a group to pursue objectives held by a leader or shared by the leader and his/her followers.” – John Gardner*

*“Leadership is influence, the ability of one person to influence others.” – Oswald Sanders*

*“A leader is a man who has the ability to get other people to do what they don't want to do and like it.”  
- Harry Truman*

# I. Spiritual Leadership

## A. *Defined*

“Spiritual leadership is moving people  
on to God’s agenda.”

“Once spiritual leaders understand God's will, they make every effort to move their followers from following their own agendas to pursuing God's purposes. People who fail to move people to God's agenda have not led. They may have exhorted, cajoled, pleaded, or bullied, but they will not have led until their people have adjusted their lives to God's will.”

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*B. Man's Agenda*

*C. God's Agenda*

*Man's chief end is to glorify God and  
enjoy Him forever.*



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# **II. Exercising Spiritual Leadership**

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*B. Rely on Spiritual Means*

*C. Shepherd Your Family*

## **Jeremiah 10:21**

For the shepherds have become stupid  
And have not sought the Lord;  
Therefore they have not prospered,  
And all their flock is scattered.

## **Jeremiah 23:1,2,4**

Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of My pasture!” declares the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord God of Israel concerning the shepherds who are tending My people: “You have scattered My flock and driven them away, and have not attended to them; behold, I am about to attend to you for the evil of your deeds,” declares the Lord. I will also raise up shepherds over them and they will tend them; and they will not be afraid any longer, nor be terrified, nor will any be missing,” declares the Lord.

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## **Jeremiah 3:15**

Then I will give you shepherds after My own heart, who will feed you on knowledge and understanding.

## **Deuteronomy 6:6,7**

These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up.



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## **Matthew 9:36**

Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd.

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**3. Protect them**

## **Acts 20:28-31**

Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. I know that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be on the alert...

Rise up O men of God!  
Have done with lesser things;  
Give heart and soul and mind and strength  
to serve the King of kings.

Rise up O men of God!  
The church for you doth wait,  
Her strength unequal to her task;  
rise up and make her great;

Lift high the cross of Christ!  
Tread where his feet have trod;  
As Brothers of the Son of Man,  
rise up O men of God.

