

# 301 LEADERSHIP

## New Hope Church Purpose Statement

We exist to Love God, Serve People,  
Share Hope, Find Freedom & Have Fun.

### Who Are You?

*"God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another."* 1 PETER 4:10 NLT

Leadership is influence. Nothing more. Nothing less. It is about influencing others in a worthwhile cause. It is not dependent on titles or positions. It is dependent on people discovering their gifts and passions and then using them to make a difference in the lives of others.

What stands in the way?

#### Exodus 3:10-12

10So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt." *"But Moses said to God, 'Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' And God said, 'I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain.'"*

1. "Who am I...?" 1 PETER 4:10 NLT Insecurity

2. "What if they...?" 1 PETER 4:10 NLT Fear

3. "I have never..." 1 PETER 4:10 NLT Inadequacy

4. "Use someone else..." <sup>L</sup><sub>SEP</sub> Reluctance

## God Says You Are...!

*"But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light."* <sup>L</sup><sub>SEP</sub> 1 PETER 2:9 NKJV <sup>L</sup><sub>SEP</sub>

## Qualities of a Leader

*"It pleased Darius to appoint 120 satraps to rule throughout the kingdom, with three administrators over them, one of whom was Daniel. The satraps were made accountable to them so that the king might not suffer loss. Now Daniel so distinguished himself among the administrators and the satraps by his exceptional qualities that the king planned to set him over the whole kingdom."*

**DANIEL 6:1-3**

## 1. WE LOVE GOD

*"When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus."* <sup>L</sup><sub>SEP</sub> ACTS 4:13

Develop your CLOSENESS WITH GOD

Develop your CHARACTER

Develop your CALLING

## 2. WE LOVE PEOPLE

*“Jesus called them together and said, ‘You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to <sup>SEP</sup>be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.”* <sup>SEP</sup>MARK 10:42–45

Be a SERVANT

Be a TEAM PLAYER

Be REAL

### 3. We pursue EXCELLENCE

*“People were overwhelmed with amazement. ‘He has done everything well,’ they said.”* <sup>SEP</sup>MARK 7:37

Do THINGS WELL

Do MORE THAN EXPECTED

### 4. We choose JOY

*“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”* Romans 12:12

Be ENJOYABLE

Be POSITIVE

Be LOYAL

### 5. We continue learning

As Christians, we never want to stop learning.

In Ephesians 4 it says that the church is to equip the saints. It says it like this, “<sup>11</sup> And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ”.

Through trainings, bible study, messages, worship, one on one conversation and more, we want to equip you with some tools to lead with excellence. We encourage you to pursue personal growth, ie; find ways to grow in your gifts and talents, have a mentor, take classes, read books, watch videos. Not only for ministry, but at home and in the work place as well. We have a great opportunity to influence those around us that we love!

## **Lead Like JESUS**

Jesus was the greatest leader by being the greatest servant. Our hope at NHC is to model this type of leadership with our staff, serve team and in our personal lives. To be a great leader, we must be willing to be flexible, correctable, compassionate and honest. At NHC, we believe nothing is beneath us and are willing to do whatever it is that God calls us to.

### **Jesus broke the leadership mold. He was different than any leader before or after him.**

The world needs more leaders to lead like Jesus. Here are six profound leadership lessons from Jesus that will help make you a leader worth following.

#### **1. SACRIFICE YOURSELF**

Jesus, the Son of God, humbled himself to die in our place on the cross.

Even though Christianity is all about Jesus, Jesus was not all about Jesus. He taught that the first will be last and the last will be first ([Matt 20:16](#)). He declared that the humble will be exalted and the exalted, humbled ([Luke 14:11](#)).

Leading like Jesus starts with humility and self-sacrifice (Phil 2:5-8). If you want to be like Jesus, deny yourself and take up the cross like he did (Luke 9:23).

## **2. SERVE PEOPLE**

Leaders are often lured by the power and privilege of leadership. They want to lead so that people will serve them.

But Jesus washed his disciples' feet (John 13:14). He came to serve, not to be served (Mark 10:45). If you want to lead like Jesus, start putting others ahead of yourself. When we put our focus on serving others and not ourselves, we start seeing the big picture.

## **3. REST OFTEN**

Too many leaders parade their work hours like a medal of honor. It's not uncommon to hear them brag about 60+ hour workweeks and pulling all-nighters (#Hustle).

But the grueling pace of many leaders leads them to moral failure, health failure, and broken families.

Jesus worked hard, but he knew when to rest (Mark 4:38).

In fact, after the disciples were sent out and returned to give Jesus a report of their work, Jesus told them "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while" (Mark 6:31).

Jesus worked hard, but he wasn't a slave driver. He knew the importance of rest and taught his disciples to rest too.

Jesus proclaimed, "Come to me, all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matt 11:28).

## **4. PRESS ON**

In our modern world of viral videos, get-rich-quick schemes, and microwaved results, many leaders demand immediate success.

So when things get too hard, they bail on their team for a more promising opportunity.

But Jesus persevered through suffering. Though he was sweating blood, he pressed on (Luke 22:44). When he could have stepped off the cross at any moment, he stayed (Mark 15:29-32).

He knew the mission. He was single-minded in purpose (Luke 19:10). He pressed on toward the goal.

Great leaders are long-suffering. They persevere. They are committed to the mission and won't stop no matter how long it takes.

As Galatians 6:9 says, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

## **5. SPEAK CANDIDLY**

Don't say one thing publicly but another privately.

We are often afraid to say what we think, so we soften our words and don't say what we mean.

But Jesus spoke with candor. He didn't hide his true thoughts for fear of hurting someone's feelings.

When the disciples were out of line, he told them so (Matt 16:23). When the Pharisees taught hypocrisy, he called them out (Luke 11:37-52).

You never had to guess where you stood with Jesus. He spoke his mind and told it like it was.

Candor is a lost art in our society. It doesn't mean being rude or cold-hearted. But if you want to lead more like Jesus, don't sugarcoat your conversations. Speak the truth in love, even when it stings (Eph 4:15).

## **6. CHOOSE INTEGRITY**

But Jesus had nothing to hide. There was no scandal—no need for a cover-up. Jesus was tempted in every way that we are, but he did not sin (Heb 4:15).

Trust takes a lifetime to build and only a second to lose. The Bible promises, “Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out” (Prov 10:9). We need more high integrity leaders, like Jesus.

## **FAMILY MATTERS**

We want to encourage you to lead your families in Bible reading, prayer time, worship and fun! At NHC we believe in this model;

**GOD > FAMILY > MINISTRY**

At New Hope, we want to help protect the family unit and see you grow together as a family towards God. We want to see you have a strong foundation with God, be continually leading your families towards Christ while enjoying each other and thriving as you serve the people around you!