## Servant Leadership

Leadership - The skill of influencing people to action with *character* that inspires confidence & excellence.

Skill - A learned or acquired ability.

Power - The ability to force or coerce others to do your will, even if they would choose not to, because of your position or might (paraphrase: "Do it or else!")

Authority – Your earned personal influence which motivates others to willingly act on behalf of the team (paraphrase: "I'll do it for you").

Slave - One who is dominated by and meets the wants, wishes and desires of others.

Servant - One who identifies and meets the legitimate needs of others.

Wants - Personal wishes and desires without regard to the physical and/or psychological consequences.

Needs - Legitimate physical and/or psychological requirements for the well-being of a human being.

Service/Sacrifice - Setting aside your own wants/needs/desires in order to meet the legitimate needs of others.

Love (Verb) - The act(s) of extending yourself for others by identifying and meeting their legitimate needs and seeking their greatest good. (paraphrase: "Love is as love does")

Will - Intentions + Actions = Will > (Conversely: Intentions - Actions = Squat)



#### Servant Leadership Model

### Leadership, Love & Character (as defined in 1 Cor. 13: 4-8)

| Skill          | Defined  |
|----------------|--|
| Patience       | To Show Self Control (impulse control)   |
| Kindness       | To Give Attention, Appreciation, Encouragement - Common Courtesy                     |
| Humility       | To Be Authentic - Not Boastful, Arrogant, prideful or "Puffed Up"                    |
| Respectfulness | To Treat Others as Important People  |
| Selflessness   | To Meet the Legitimate <i>Needs</i> of Others (as opposed to <i>wants</i> of others) |
| Forgiveness    | To Give Up Resentment When Wronged   |
| Honesty        | To be Free From Deceptive Behavior - Accountability                                  |
| Commitment     | To be "All in" – Courage to do the Right Thing                                       |

"Leadership is *character* in action!" > Warren Bennis

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# Leadership Defined

The skill of influencing people to action, with character that inspires confidence & excellence.

# 7 Principles of Leadership

- 1) Leadership = Awesome Responsibility
- 2) Leadership = Skill
- 3) Leadership ≠ Power/Management
- 4) Leadership = Authority (Influence)
- 5) Leadership = Serving
- 6) Leadership = Coaching
- 7) Leadership = Character

## Growing Leaders

- 1) <u>Foundation</u> (Set the Standard) Continuous Learning
- 2) <u>Feedback</u> (Identify the Gaps) Continuous Input/Data
- 3) <u>Friction</u> (Eliminate the Gaps) Continuous Improvement

## Leadership Skills Inventory- Self Assessment

| Your Name  | Your Position                                 | Your Department |       |          |          |
|--|---|-----------------|-------|----------|----------|
|  |   | Strongly        | Agree | Disagree | Strongly |
| 01. I give appreciation  | to others                                     | Agree           |       |          | Disagree |
| 02. I confront people with problems/situations as they arise           |   |                 |       |          |          |
| 03. I spend time walking floor and stay close to subordinate activity  |   | _               |       |          |          |
| 04. I give encouragement to others                                     |   | · _             |       |          |          |
| 05. I make clear to subordinates what is expected on the job           |   | _               |       |          |          |
|  | r   | _               |       |          |          |
| •  | subordinates to ensure compliance with go     |                 |       |          |          |
|  | respect (i.e. like they are important people) | —               |       |          |          |
| 09. I am actively involved in the development of subordinates          |   |                 |       |          |          |
| 10. I hold people accountable for meeting the standards set            |   | _               |       |          |          |
| 11. I give the credit to those who deserve it                          |   |                 |       |          |          |
| 12. I show patience and self control with others                       |   | _               |       |          |          |
| 13. I am a leader people feel confident following                      |   |                 |       |          |          |
| 14. I have the technica  | I skills necessary to do my job               | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 15. I meet the legitimate needs (as opposed to wants) of others .      |   | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 16. I am able to forgive mistakes and not hold grudges                 |   | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 17. I am someone people can trust                                      |   | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 18. I do not engage in backstabbing others (talking behind backs, etc) |   | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 19. I give positive feedback to subordinates when appropriate          |   | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 20. I do <u>not</u> embarrass  | 🗖   |                 |       |          |          |
| 21. I set high goals for   | self, subordinates, and department            | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 22. I have a positive at   | titude on the job                             | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 23. I am sensitive to im   | plications of my decisions on other dept's    | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 24. I am a fair and con  | 🗖   |                 |       |          |          |
| 25. I am <u>not</u> an over co   | ontrolling or over domineering person         | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 26. I display humility (r  | not arrogant, approachable, authentic)        | 🗖               |       |          |          |
| 27. I show kindness &  | empathy toward others                         |                 |       |          |          |
| What are my greates  | st Leadership strengths/skills?               |                 |       |          |          |
|  |   |                 |       |          |          |
|  |   |                 |       |          |          |

#### What Leadership skills do I need to work on and improve?

Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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