

World-class
**WORSHIP
LEADING**



LEADERS
WORKBOOK

MODULE 1: LESSON 1

LEADING FROM RELATIONSHIP

PERSONAL APPLICATION

1. Which of these styles do you default to?

Replication. I always let the songs to the heavy lifting.

Relationship. I go with whatever I feel God is saying on the day.

2. Which of the cons of these styles resonate most with you?

Replication cons

Little deviation from the structure

We always do the songs the same.

Commonplace truths

Songs are feeling tired.

Low engagement

I hardly ever engage with the church.

Relationship cons

Messy and unhelpful

I'm not too confident, it's often a bit messy...

Time in preparation

I battle to find time to prepare.

Leadership

I'm not a strong leader outside of singing.

3. Do you find you battle to bring your relationship with God into your leading in meaningful ways? If no, why? (Age, personality, unprepared, irregular times with God, relevance...)

4. What has God been speaking to you about lately in your own life? What key words (mercy, forgiveness, joy...) or scriptures come to mind?

ACTION STEP: AWARENESS

Be aware of your tendencies in your worship leading. If you're unsure, ask your pastor or another leader on the team.

Be aware of what God is saying to you. Be intentional about seeking God for your times of worship. This course will give you practical ways to bring your relationship with God into your leading in ways that add life to others.

1. Write down in one sentence why you're involved in worship

2. Do you find it easy to delegate to others on your team? If no, why? (Team skills, past disappointment, to save time...)

3. How are your energy levels when it comes to worship?

- Low, I feel drained before and after. I'm putting in little effort.
- Good, I'm happy with level of commitment as is.
- High, I feel a sense of calling and momentum which is energising.

4. How are you doing at inspiring, instructing, serving and creating opportunities for others in your team?

5. Is there one person your team relies too heavily on and what for?

ACTION STEP: CREATE AN OWNERSHIP PLAN

Did you battle with question 1? What will it take to get a fresh vision for and ownership of worship?

If your energy levels are low, make changes this month. Focus your involvement, talk to someone, learn to say no...

With your team, be intentional about involving others. Trust God and trust people with small and big opportunities to grow. Have a plan to develop the team before the need arises (like your one drummer immigrating).

"So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but God who gives the increase" 1 Cor. 3:7

What do you see when you look at the crowd?

Ephesians 4:1-16

I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

...Speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Philippians 2:1-4

Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

Colossians 3:12-15

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.

ACTION STEP 1: PRAY

Use these as prayer inspiration as you ask God to give you a compassion for the crowd.

ACTION STEP 2: CHANGE YOUR THINKING AND LANGUAGE

Allow these scriptures to shift our thinking and language about the “crowd”.

THE FUEL AND THE FIRE

What are you doing daily to be in the Word?

THE TIMER CHALLENGE

Set your timer of your phone to 10 minutes and read the Bible till the timer goes off. Give yourself that focused 10 minutes. Simple I know but remember our story of Naaman. It's simple, but very effective if you feel you don't have time. This could be at home, at work, before bed, or first thing in the morning. You can increase the time as you get into the habit, but don't do nothing because you feel you have no time. 10 minutes is a good time to start.

THE PRIORITY CHALLENGE

If you feel you're regularly in God's word but are realising you're wanting more. I'd challenge you to prioritize it by replacing time you would spend on something else, with time reading the Word. For example, if you watch a series, instead of watching two episodes tonight, watch one and use the time you would've spend watching the second one reading the Word. That's 30-40 minutes you could spend in the Word. The great thing I've found with reading the Word is once you start, you want to read more.

...Exercise yourself toward godliness. For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

1 Timothy 4:7-8

ACTION STEP: BE IN THE WORD DAILY

Prioritise time in the Word.

Don't let a busy schedule stop you. 5 minutes, 10 minutes and longer are a good start. Reading the Word is like exercise. It's doing it regularly that yields the results.

MODULE 4: LESSON 3

TEACHING

PERSONAL APPLICATION

Consider what people are learning from you in your leading.
What are people learning about God through the songs you choose?
Are you up for the responsibility of teaching?

“When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because He taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.”

Matthew 7:29

“If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.”

James 1:5

One generation shall praise
Your works to another,
And shall declare Your mighty
acts.

I will meditate on the glorious
splendor of Your majesty,
And on Your wondrous works.

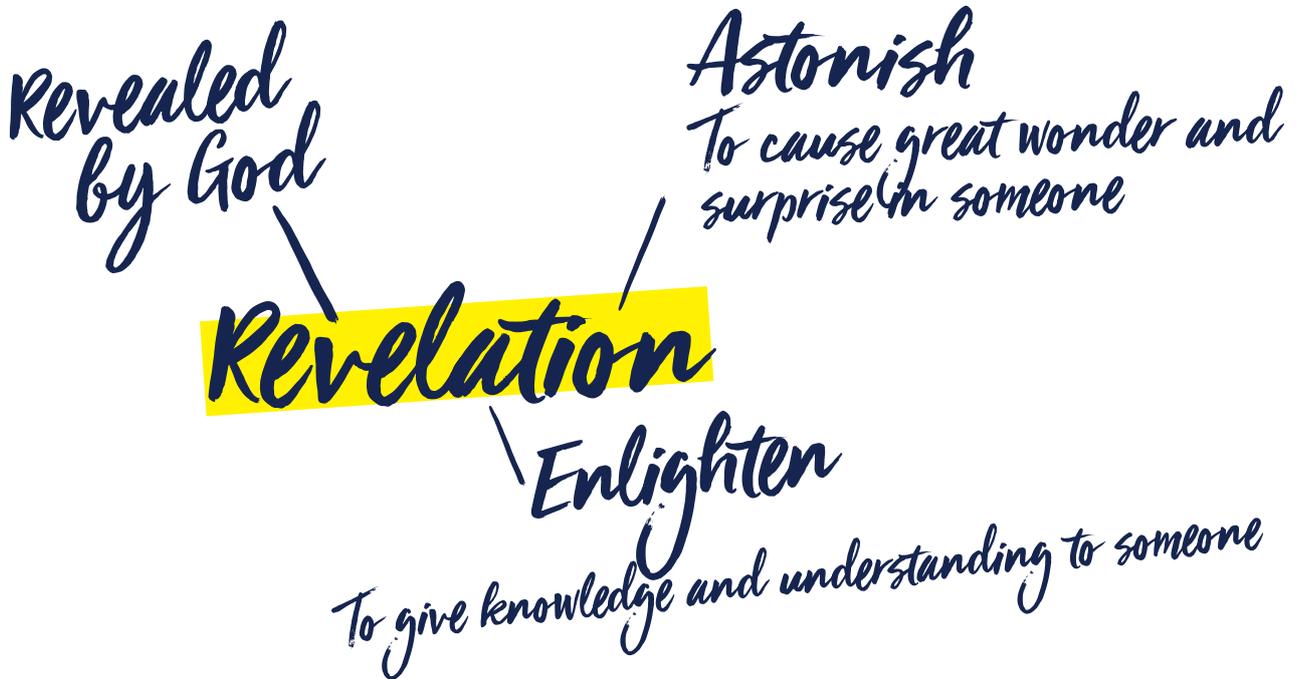
Psalms 145:4-5

...Give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all. Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.

1 Timothy 4:13-16

ACTION STEP: COMMIT TO TEACHING

People are always learning from you as the leader. Be intentional about what that is. Ask God for wisdom as you lead and teach.



ACTION STEP: TRUST AND RESPOND

Be aware of the opportunity for revelation in worship. Revelation cause response. Revelation about God causes us to worship Him for who He is and change the course of our worship time, our church and our lives. Trust God for pivotal times of revelation and response.

MODULE 5: LESSON 2

BEING SPONTANEOUS

PERSONAL APPLICATION

BE FULL OF THE WORD.

ASK GOD FOR EARS TO HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT IS SAYING.

PREPARE MUSICALLY.

PRACTICE SPONTANEOUS WORSHIP AT HOME AND AT REHEARSAL.

BE CONFIDENT.

KEEP THE MUSIC, MELODY AND MESSAGE SIMPLE (AND SHORT).

TAKE IT SOMEWHERE MEANINGFUL AND HELPFUL FOR THOSE GATHERED.

END STRONG BY CREATING SPACE FOR AND ENCOURAGE RESPONSE OR GO INTO A SONG PEOPLE CAN PARTICIPATE IN.

ACTION STEP: STEP OUT

Step out and bring a new spiritual song. Try it at rehearsal with your team. Try it next time you lead. Trust God for something that will bring life.