

# The Preparation of a Leader



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- **Review – “Godly Leadership Is Needed – Isaiah 6:1-8**
  - **The most critical problem facing the church today is the lack of godly leadership.**
  - **Purpose: to look in the Word of God and discover principles that will help us to develop good godly leaders.**
  - **Goal: to wake up the leader in all of us and to develop leadership skills so that we will be fruitful in the kingdom’s assignments.**
  - **Leader: a person who knows his/her gifting and is utilizing those gifts to strengthen or serve others.**
  - **Leadership: influence**
  - **After salvation, every member of the body of Christ has a ministry and a responsibility.**
  - **Ministry – to be a servant and to serve in a menial task.**
  - **Minister - refers to Christian activity and function not merely a name, position, or title.**
- **There are two areas that we are called:**
    - 1. Governmental – To govern the body (Eph. 4:11).**
    - 2. Congregational - given for each believer to function in the body.**
      - A. To function in this office a person must understand his gift, position of responsibility and his limitations.**
      - B. The majority of the body of Christ function in these ministries.**

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- **Every leader whom God uses in any capacity must first be prepared to function in that capacity.**
  - **“Many are called but few are chosen” (Matt. 20:16) - suitable.**
- **The Leader’s Season of Preparation:**
    - 1. The first call is to salvation.**
    - 2. The leader is called either to governmental or congregational ministry.**

3. The next is the leader's preparation season.
4. The last season is the leader's function.
  - Every leader finds himself at some point in this process.

## **Five Points About Preparation**

### **Isaiah 49:1-3**

1. "The Lord called me from the womb." A sense of destiny.