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But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy; In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple. (Psalm 47 : 6—7)

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Leaders to Christ

Have you ever considered yourself to be a leader? Well, you are. Each of us is a leader in something. Each of us have people who look up to us and follow our example.

A leader is a guiding or directing head, as of an army, movement or political group. Leadership has been described as "a process of social influence in which one person can enlist the aid and support of others in the accomplishment of a common task" The real question isn't whether or not you consider yourself to be a leader, it's where are you leading people?

Most of us have very little influence on the government, the political powers that be, and even more close at home the direction your company takes. However, many of us have great influence on those directly associated with us; whether it be a spouse, child, neighbor, friend, or co-worker, each of us provide guidance and direction within our own social network.

Jesus recruited leaders. The 12 Apostles were each leaders. They were men who took charge and guided people to Christ. As a Christian you are called to be a leader. However, most of us as leaders are not leading people to Christ, but away. If that is not bad enough, most of us have become followers.

Ask yourself, "Where am I leading people today?"

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- * Corinthians 6 : 14—18
Come out—be separate.
- * John 17 : 15—17
Jesus prayed that God would separate us, and keep us safe, not take us out of the world. Why?
- * Romans 12 : 2
Paul tells us to be transformed not conformed.
- * Why were the Apostles such good Leaders to Christ?
Acts 17 : 6—They turned the world upside down.
- * We must be careful where and how we lead.
Peter was a leader, but not always of good things.
Galatians 2 : 11—13
- * We cannot lead anyone to Christ while being afraid of the crowd!
John 7 : 10—13; 9 : 18—23; 12 : 37—43
These people were not able to lead anyone because of fear.
- * Why were the Apostles such good leaders to Christ?
They made the choice to follow Christ.
When other turned back they stayed.
Why? Jesus had the words of eternal life.