



EDGE GOD IN BIBLE STUDY: April 1, 2016

Authentic Leadership: Self- Awareness; Internalized Moral Perspective; Balanced Processing; Relational Transparency

5 Characteristics of Authentic Leaders (Bill George 20013, 2007)

- Understand others purpose
- Strong Values
- Trusting Relationships
- Self-discipline
- Act from the heart (have a mission)

Self-Awareness: EQ: Self-Awareness => Self Management/ Social Awareness => Social Management...Don't compare: John 21:20-22 ²⁰ Peter turned and saw that the disciple whom Jesus loved was following them. (This was the one who had leaned back against Jesus at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is going to betray you?") ²¹ When Peter saw him, he asked, "Lord, what about him?"²² Jesus answered, "If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you? You must follow me."

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⁷Therefore Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. ⁹I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved.^[a] They will come in and go out, and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

¹¹“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.¹²The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. ¹³The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

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#1 What is Emotional Intelligence

Textbook definition- it allows people to understand their own emotions better, and to take control over them.

Good reference book Emotional Intelligence 2.0 Travis Bradberry & Jean Greaves

Biblical definition- **spiritual discernment or godly wisdom summed up in the law of the Profits:**

Matthew 22:37-40 King James Version (KJV)

³⁷ Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

³⁸ This is the first and great commandment.

³⁹ And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Only after you have followed this scripture can you then understand you and your commitment to others.

#2 Components to EQ and bible ways to apply it:

1. Self awareness – Know you are perfect and created in his image- Genesis 1:26 and 1:31

²⁶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

2. Self reflection – **Meditate** on what he has for you which can be given to you in all things by the lord through his word–

Joshua 1:8

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

3. Motivation -- **Be Abounding** (overflowing) for the lord and is not wasted so what to do it.

1 Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

4. Empathy –**Feel** the same for others
Romans 12:15
Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep

 5. Social skills – **Do** to God what you do to others
Matthew 25:40
And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’
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