



Grounded to Grow – Leadership That Reflects Apostolic Identity

Leaders, we are in a season of unprecedented growth at TrueVine. God is doing something powerful, and with growth comes responsibility.

As top-tier leaders in this apostolic church, I need your help—**not just to serve, but to anchor this church in apostolic identity.**

That means we must be wholly grounded in the Word, in holiness, and in our distinctive lifestyle.

Core Principles for Apostolic Leadership

1. Grounded in Apostolic Doctrine and Holiness

We believe in the **oneness of God**, the **new birth experience** (*Acts 2:38*), and the necessity of **separation from the world**. Holiness matters—**inside and outside**.

“Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.” — Hebrews 12:14

“Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord.” —2 Corinthians 6:17

We are not called to blend in with culture—we are called to be **distinct, consecrated, and holy**. That starts with us as leaders.

2. Lead by Example in Lifestyle

Your level of leadership requires a lifestyle of:

Giving – consistent tithing and generous offerings

Attendance – faithful to every service, meeting and event

Availability – present and responsive to the needs of the body

Submission – to spiritual authority and church structure

Holiness in Dress and Conduct – modesty and reverence in how we live and present ourselves

“Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls...” —Hebrews 13:17



You're not just helping me manage the church—you're helping me *model* the culture of the Kingdom.

3. Discipleship by Word and Deed

We're not raising up followers—we're raising up **disciple-makers**.

That means you must be intentional in how you speak, how you carry yourself, and how you invest in others.

Don't do anything that would be unbecoming to a leader. Live above reproach.

"Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ." —1 Corinthians 11:1

"In all things showing thyself a pattern of good works..." —Titus 2:7

New people are watching. They're learning from your example. They don't just need a sermon—they need a *living epistle* (2 Corinthians 3:2-3).

4. Balancing Growth and Identity

Yes, growth brings challenges. But the bigger challenge is growing **without** grounding. As Paul told Timothy, we must "**hold fast the form of sound words**" (2 Timothy 1:13), even as we reach more people.

We cannot compromise truth for the sake of trends.

We cannot dilute doctrine for the sake of drawing crowds.

We cannot abandon our holiness heritage to make people comfortable.

Growth **and** holiness are not enemies. They are two sides of a Spirit-led church.

Closing Challenge to Leaders

Let's be clear: this is not about legalism—it's about **lordship**.

He is Lord of our lives, and that includes how we live, lead, give, serve, and grow.

I need you **with me**, not just near me.

I need you **grounded**, not just gifted.

I need you to **live what is preached**.



So that when people see you, they're seeing a glimpse of what this church—and the Kingdom—is all about.

Prayer and Commitment

Let's take a few moments to recommit ourselves in prayer:

To the Word of God

To the apostolic lifestyle

To our my/the pastor's vision

To holiness and humility

To being disciple-makers

"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." —Colossians 3:23