

SO WHAT

- Read 2 Samuel 15:1-5. What did Absalom decide to do? Who was he trying to undermine when he did these?
- Jesus related an incident in Luke 18:9-15. Between those two characters, who do you think would NOT serve with genuine concern? What quality did the Lord emphasize in this lesson?
- In 1 Kings 3:7-15, what did Solomon ask from God in his dream? How did God respond to Solomon’s prayer request?

NOW WHAT

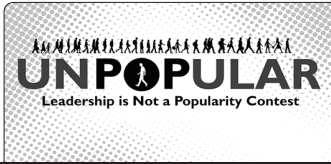
- Invite a classmate or officemate to attend your Victory group meeting or weekend service.
- Who can you encourage this week? How will you do this?
- Who can you help in your school or workplace this week?

PRAYER

- Ask the Lord to teach you to have genuine concern for others.
- Pray that the Lord will help you deal with your “me first” attitude.
- Pray that God will motivate you to extend help in whatever way when you hear someone in need.



WEEK 1



Attitude

NOTES

CONNECT

- What is your favorite individual sport? Why?
- Among your relatives, who do you admire as someone talented, intelligent, or skillful? Why?
- What concern occupies your mind the past few days? Why?

WORD

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WHAT

Everyone can become a person worth following. This could happen even without getting a title. In this passage, the Apostle Paul shows us steps to get into the starting point of the attitude that could make us godly leaders.

1 Do nothing out of selfish ambition.

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One of the wrong attitudes to leadership focuses on proving one’s self as better compared to others. This could result to a misplaced drive to compete against others. Thus, having this attitude, one will have no time to think about doing good to others. Why is it often hard to not compare one’s self with others? What example did Jesus show us regarding this?

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2 Consider others better than us.

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The obvious antidote to the wrong attitude mentioned previously, is to consciously think that others are better than us. Hopefully, this will not turn into false humility. Also, this has nothing to do with nurturing poor self-esteem. However, this attitude would help stop this selfish ambition in us. What does the Bible say about how we should see ourselves and others?

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3 Look to others’ interests, too.

Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. PHILIPPIANS 2:4

Instead of spending time to prove that we are better than others, we should deliberately look for a way to meet others’ interests. Things like compassion, generosity, forgiveness, kindness, and a lot more start because of one’s concern for others. What can help us become compassionate towards others (1 John 4:19-21)?

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