7-The Greatest Obstacle to Leadership Success

Before his death in 2014, Miles Munroe had been a leadership consultant for many years. Not only had he run seminars, conferences, training schools, etc., he also analysed the failures of leaders worldwide. His observations led him to this significant conclusion: "**The greatest obstacle to a leader's success is a deficit of character**".

With much training, skill and experience, many leaders are 'brought down' by their lack of 'good' character. Myles describes it this way:

> *"If I could teach a leader one thing that I believe would preserve his leadership, and even his very life, it would be the priority of character—internal values and principles that one is committed to and that manifest in one's life as ethical conduct."* [1]

Of course, some leaders fail because they are promoted too soon. In such cases, they should take a step back and re-evaluate their genuine place as a leader.

In the Kingdom it's all about partnering with Heaven. If you 'jump the gun' or 'drag the chain' you are out of step with our King's plans and you are doomed for failure.

This goes for marriage and parenthood as much as organisational leadership. Don't rush in to a marital leadership role before you have been signalled by the Spirit that you are prepared and ready to "Go". Thankfully, because marriage from the Kingdom perspective is permanent, any false starts can be rectified by Father, but there are always unwanted consequences.

Conclusion? Allow the Spirit to train you from the inside-out and let him release you into leadership of any kind when our King is satisfied that you are ready – not before.

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1 – Myles Munroe (2014) "The Power of Character in Leadership: How Values, Morals, Ethics, and Principles Affect Leaders" Whitaker House p:23