Biblical Leadership for College Student Government



Explore biblical truths on leadership to stand for humility and integrity while serving peers in college government roles.





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Introduction

Leadership in college government presents unique challenges and opportunities to serve with integrity and impact peers positively. As a student leader, you stand at a crossroads where decisions can shape not only your campus but your character. Biblical leadership is defined not by power or popularity but by *servanthood*, *humility*, *and truth*. This study invites you to anchor your leadership journey in Scripture, cultivating qualities that honor God and foster trust among your peers.

Throughout these seven days, we will explore key passages and principles that equip you to lead with wisdom and grace. You'll discover how biblical leaders modeled courage in standing for truth, the importance of humility in influence, and the ways servant leadership transforms communities. Whether you're elected to represent, advocate, or organize, embracing these truths empowers you to serve well and leave a legacy beyond your college years.

Each day, take time to reflect deeply, journal your thoughts, and pray for God's guidance. This isn't just about strategy or success but about becoming the kind of leader who mirrors Christ's example — one who leads by serving, uplifts others, and honors God in all decisions. May this journey inspire and equip you to navigate your campus leadership role with faith and courage.

Let's begin with the foundation of biblical leadership — grounded in heartfelt humility and unwavering commitment to truth.







Day 1: 7 The Foundation of Servant Leadership









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Your Verse

Mark 10:44 - "And whoever wants to be first must be slave of all."

Supporting Scriptures

- Philippians 2:3 "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves."
- John 13:14 "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet."







Day 1: 7 The Foundation of Servant Leadership

Devotional: Lead by Serving with Humility

True leadership begins with humility and servanthood. As a college student leader, it's easy to fall into the trap of seeking status or recognition. Yet Jesus reorients our view by teaching that the greatest leaders are those who serve others selflessly. In *Mark 10:44*, He challenges us to lead not by commanding from above but by caring for those we lead with a servant's heart.

This approach breaks the mold of worldly leadership often seen in politics or governance. Embracing humility means putting others' needs ahead of personal ambition, listening earnestly to your peers, and acting with integrity. When you serve genuinely, your leadership becomes a witness that inspires respect and trust among fellow students.

Reflect on how your leadership in student government can embody this servant mindset. What might it look like to prioritize serving your campus community above personal accolades? Let humility be your leadership foundation today.







Day 1: 🍞 The Foundation of Servant Leadership

Reflect and Apply

	How do you currently view leadership roles—more as a privilege or a responsibility to serve?
	In what ways can you intentionally practice humility in your daily interactions with peers?
	What obstacles might challenge your efforts to lead with a servant's heart, and how can you overcome them?







Day 1: 🍞 The Foundation of Servant Leadership

Journaling Prompts

	Write about a time when you saw a leader serve others humbly and how impacted you.
2.	List three practical ways you can serve your peers in your campus leadership role this week.
3.	Reflect on any personal ambitions that may conflict with serving others and how to realign your heart.







Day 1: 7 The Foundation of Servant Leadership

Prayer for Today

Dear Lord, help me lead with a servant's heart today. Teach me humility so I can prioritize others' needs above my own ambitions. May my actions reflect Your love and inspire those around me to trust and follow with joy. Strengthen me to overcome pride and lead with grace. In Jesus' name, Amen.























Your Verse

Ephesians 6:14 – "Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist."

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 4:25 "Let your eyes look straight ahead; fix your gaze directly before you."
- 2 Timothy 1:7 "For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline."







Devotional: Boldly Uphold Truth and Integrity

As a student leader, standing for truth is essential but often challenging.

College campuses expose us to diverse views, and peer pressure can tempt us to compromise our convictions. Ephesians 6:14 reminds us to "stand firm" with truth as our defense, symbolized by the belt girding a soldier's waist — holding everything together.

Courage doesn't mean being fearless but choosing to act rightly despite the cost. God equips us with power, love, and self-discipline to confront difficult conversations and uphold integrity. Fixing your gaze on God's truth helps you navigate complex situations with clarity and strength.

Reflect on areas in your campus leadership where truth may be tested. How can you faithfully represent God's standards while respecting others? Embracing courage rooted in love will empower you to lead authentically and influence your peers positively.







Reflect and Apply

	What truths are most important for you to stand by in your leadership role?
	How can you balance boldness with love when addressing challenging issues?
3.	Where do you sense fear or hesitation, and how can God's Spirit empower you to overcome it?







Journaling Prompts

	Describe a situation where you struggled to stand for truth and what you learned from it.
2.	Identify one upcoming leadership challenge where courage will be necessary and plan how to prepare spiritually.
3.	Write a prayer asking for God's strength to uphold integrity in your student government role.







Prayer for Today

Lord God, grant me the courage to stand firm in truth as I lead. Help me to speak and act with integrity, even when it's difficult. Fill me with Your Spirit so I may lead with power, love, and self-discipline. Keep my eyes fixed on Your Word as my guide. In Jesus' name, *Amen*.







Day 3: C Leading with Compassion and Justice









Day 3: 💛 Leading with Compassion and Justice

Your Verse

Micah 6:8 - "...to act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

Supporting Scriptures

- James 2:8 "If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, 'Love your neighbor as yourself,' you are doing right."
- Isaiah 1:17 "Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed."







Day 3: 💛 Leading with Compassion and Justice

Devotional: Promote Justice with Compassion

Biblical leadership calls us to the twin values of justice and mercy. In the dynamic world of student government, decisions often affect diverse groups with varying needs. Micah 6:8 captures the heart of a God-honoring leader: to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly.

Justice ensures fairness and respect for all peers, while compassion reflects Christ's heart for the vulnerable and marginalized. Balancing these requires wisdom and humility—recognizing our own limitations and seeking God's guidance continually.

Consider how you can promote fairness in policies while showing kindness to those impacted. Your leadership can be a beacon of hope when grounded in justice and compassion, influencing your campus culture toward inclusivity and love.







Day 3: 💙 Leading with Compassion and Justice

Reflect and Apply

	In what ways can you advocate for fairness in your student leadership position?
2.	How do mercy and compassion shape your decision-making process?
3.	Are there any biases you need to confront to lead justly and lovingly?







Day 3: 💙 Leading with Compassion and Justice

Journaling Prompts

	Write about a time you witnessed or experienced injustice and how it affected you.
2.	List ways you can champion fairness and kindness in your current role.
	Reflect on how walking humbly with God equips you to serve others justly.







Day 3: 💙 Leading with Compassion and Justice

Prayer for Today

Gracious Father, guide me to lead with both justice and mercy. Teach me to see the needs of my peers with compassion and to act fairly in every decision. Keep my heart humble before You, so I may lead in ways that honor You and uplift others. Fill me with Your wisdom and love. In Jesus' name, *Amen.*

















Your Verse

James 1:5 - "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault."

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 3:5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."
- Colossians 1:9 "...asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives."







Devotional: Seek God's Wisdom in All Choices

Student leadership often involves complex decisions requiring discernment beyond human insight. James 1:5 encourages leaders to seek God's wisdom — a priceless resource freely given to those who ask with faith. Wisdom here encompasses understanding the best course of action and the heart attitude behind it.

Proverbs 3:5-6 reminds us to trust God fully rather than relying on our limited perspectives. Submitting every decision to Him aligns our steps with His purposes. The Holy Spirit enriches us with insight to navigate campus politics, diverse opinions, and ethical dilemmas.

Ask yourself if you truly bring your decisions before God prayerfully. Practice cultivating a daily habit of seeking divine guidance. The more you depend on God's wisdom, the more confident and peaceful your leadership will become.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How often do you pray for wisdom before important decisions?
2.	Do you trust God's guidance even when it contradicts popular opinion?
	What practices can help you deepen your sensitivity to the Holy Spirit's leading?







Journaling Prompts

	Recall a decision you made that went well after seeking God's wisdom. Describe the experience.
2.	Write down a current challenge needing discernment and pray over it.
	List habits you can start to improve your spiritual sensitivity when making choices.







Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, I humbly ask for Your wisdom today. Help me to trust You fully and lean not on my own understanding. Guide me by Your Spirit to make decisions that honor You and serve my peers well. Teach me discernment and grant peace amid uncertainty. In Jesus' name, *Amen.* \bigwedge







Day 5: St. Leading with Integrity and Transparency









Day 5: W Leading with Integrity and Transparency

Your Verse

Proverbs 10:9 – "Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out."

Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 25:21 "May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope, Lord, is in you."
- 2 Corinthians 8:21 "For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of man."







Day 5: "S Leading with Integrity and Transparency

Devotional: Build Trust Through Integrity

Integrity and transparency build the foundation for trust in any leadership role. In student government, your peers look to you not just for ideas but for character they can rely upon. Proverbs 10:9 reminds us that walking in integrity leads to security and honor, whereas deceit unravels relationships and reputation.

Transparency means being open about decisions, motives, and processes. It defeats suspicion and cultivates an environment where collaboration thrives. Psalm 25:21 acknowledges that integrity is a divine protection, a shield for those who trust God above all.

Evaluate your leadership practices—are you leading openly and honestly? Where might you need to be more transparent or align your actions with your values? Commit to integrity today as a testimony of your faith and dedication to your campus community.







Day 5: 😢 Leading with Integrity and Transparency

Reflect and Apply

How do transparency and integrity currently manifest in your leadership?
Are there areas where fear or insecurity tempt you to be less than truthful?
What benefits might arise for your team and campus by embracing full honesty?







Day 5: "S Leading with Integrity and Transparency

Journaling Prompts

Write about a leader you respect for their integrity and what stands out about them.
Reflect on a time when honesty was difficult but ultimately beneficial in your experience.
List steps you can take to increase transparency in your student government role.







Day 5: ♥️ Leading with Integrity and Transparency

Prayer for Today

God of Truth, help me to lead with integrity and transparency each day. May my words and actions be honest and reflect Your righteousness. Protect me from deceit and grant me courage to be open, even when it's hard. Let my leadership honor You and inspire trust. In Jesus' name, *Amen.*







Day 6: K Inspiring Others Through Example









Day 6: 🎇 Inspiring Others Through Example

Your Verse

1 Timothy 4:12 – "Set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."

Supporting Scriptures

- Matthew 5:16 "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."
- Hebrews 13:7 "Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith."







Day 6: 🎇 Inspiring Others Through Example

Devotional: Lead by Christlike Example

Leaders don't just manage tasks—they influence hearts. Your conduct can encourage or discourage those you serve. Paul urges Timothy to be an example in every aspect: speech, love, faith, and purity. This call extends to you as a student leader charged with shaping campus culture.

By living out biblical values consistently, you inspire peers to follow suit without coercion. Letting your light shine through actions and attitudes draws others toward God's truth. Your leadership becomes a powerful testimony that glorifies God and motivates genuine change.

Reflect today on your role model status. How can your speech and conduct more clearly reflect Christ? What legacy do you want to leave in your campus government? Choose to lead by example with intentionality and love.







Day 6: X Inspiring Others Through Example

Reflect and Apply

1.	In what ways does your leadership reflect Christ's character currently?
2.	How can you improve your influence through your actions and words?
	Who are leaders you admire that exemplify godly leadership, and what can you learn from them?







Day 6: X Inspiring Others Through Example

Journaling Prompts

1.	List specific behaviors you want to cultivate to be a better example.
2.	Write about a time when your example positively impacted someone else
3.	Outline a plan to strengthen your faith and love expression in leadership.







Day 6: 🎇 Inspiring Others Through Example

Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, help me to lead by example in all I say and do. May my conduct reflect Your love, faith, and purity so others are drawn to You through my life. Use me as a light on my campus, inspiring fellow students to live honorably. Strengthen me to be consistent and sincere. In Your name, *Amen.* *















Your Verse

Colossians 3:23 – "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters."

Supporting Scriptures

- Matthew 25:21 "Well done, good and faithful servant!"
- Galatians 6:9 "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."







Devotional: Lead as Service and Worship

Ultimately, your role in student government is a form of worship and service to God. Colossians 3:23 challenges leaders to give their best efforts wholehearted as if working directly for the Lord, not just people. This mindset elevates your daily tasks beyond duty into divine calling.

Serving with excellence honors God and brings encouragement to those you lead. Like the faithful servant praised in Matthew 25:21, your perseverance and dedication leave lasting impact. Even when fatigued or discouraged, Galatians 6:9 reminds us to persist and trust God's timing for fruitfulness.

Reflect on your leadership responsibilities as an opportunity to glorify God. Ask Him to sustain your passion and integrity. Commit to serving peers with enthusiasm and purpose, confident that God values your faithfulness.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How does viewing leadership as service to God change your approach?
2.	What motivates you to persevere in leadership despite challenges?
	How can you maintain enthusiasm for serving even when results aren't immediate?







Journaling Prompts

	Write about how serving in student government helps you grow spiritually.
2.	Identify ways you can remind yourself daily to work for the Lord's glory.
3.	Plan a personal encouragement or reward to keep faith and stamina high.







Prayer for Today

Father God, thank You for the privilege of serving in leadership. Help me to work wholeheartedly as unto You, no matter the task or recognition. Renew my strength and passion to serve others with joy and faithfulness. May all I do bring You glory now and always. In Jesus' name, *Amen*. Σ







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