

# The Mentor Leader IX

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# The Measure of a Mentor Leader

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- Building Other Lives of Impact
- The Mentor Leader adds value to the lives of others, to make the lives of other people better.
  - The first question he asked was: “If I stop to help this man, what will happen to me?” But, the Good Samaritan reversed the question: “If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?” (Martin Luther King, Jr.)



# The Journey: Adding Value Every Moment

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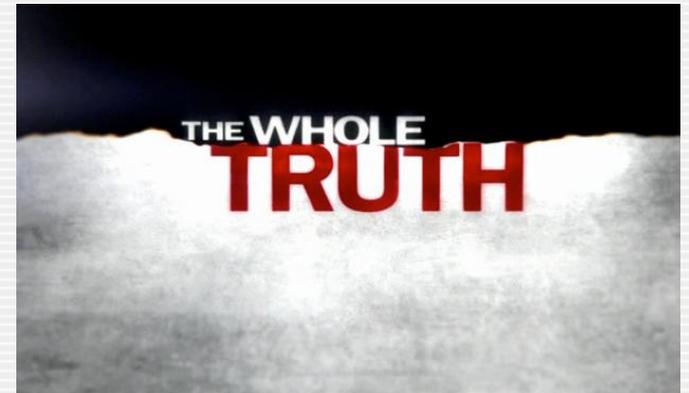
- At the end of the day, the journey is about adding value to others' lives, which ultimately will impact your community for good.



# Sharing the Journey

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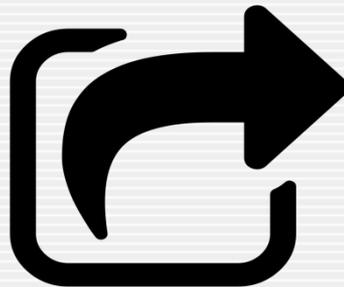
- It's not about you. It's not about me. It's about others.
- Embracing that truth is not more important than when, as a Mentor Leader, you recognize the need to enlist the help of someone else to further add value to the life of another.
  - In the words of John the Baptist, “He must become greater and greater, and I must become less and less.” (John 3:30)



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- Mentor Leaders will help people grow right where they are. Sometimes, that involves enlisting more help in the effort.
  - In the case of Moses, he had been leading on his own for years. He said, “The people come to me to get a ruling from God. When a dispute arises, they come to me, and I am the one who settles the case between the disputing parties. I inform the people of God’s decrees and give them his instructions.” (Exodus 18: 15-16)
    - ✦ His father-in-law, Jethro, however, had a better idea. He suggested that Moses select and mentor others to help him, that he build-up other leaders – and their competence – so that they could share in the work God set before him.



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- Mentor Leaders should always look to add value to the lives of others, even if it means delegating authority to those they have mentored who are ready to be elevated to new levels of leadership responsibility.
  - By touching the lives of the people right around us, and by replicating leaders who in turn can replicate more leaders, we can create value far beyond the small sphere that we can reach and touch directly.



# The Finish: Living a Life of Significance

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- We always have time. We always have a platform. There is always someone whose life we can affect – even if we're not aware at the time we're doing it.
  - The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve (Albert Schweitzer).



# Action Steps

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- Consider the ultimate outcome. The Mentor Leader's ultimate measure of success is simply this: did you add value to the lives of others?
- Focus on improvement. Regardless of “wins” and “losses,” you have succeeded as a Mentor Leader if you have improved the lives of those you lead and of others who are affected by you and your “coaching tree.”



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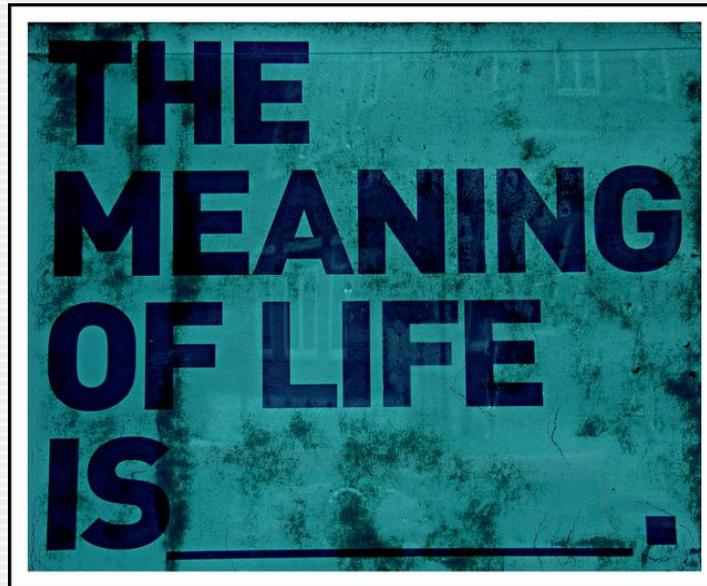
- Always be willing to find the right place for someone to serve, knowing that God has uniquely equipped every person with incredible gifts and abilities.
- Prepare yourself to hand off your leadership to someone else who is ready to be elevated. Be ready to enlist the help of others, and then to call them out when needed.
- There is always someone whose life you can affect for good.
  - Do it.



# Action Steps

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- It's not about us.
  - It's about everything that God can do through us, for others.
- At the end of it all, even if one life is better because we lived, our lives have significance.



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