

Advanced Kingdom Leadership

Module 1

Session One: An Introduction

On behalf of Leaders Alliance, welcome to the Advanced Kingdom Leadership Course. This course builds on the Kingdom Leadership Foundations course and is designed to develop leaders who can integrate strong personal leadership with effective organizational leadership. Our goal is to help you grow as a “Level Ten Leader” by developing character, leadership skill, and the ability to mobilize others for Kingdom impact.

1. Opportunity and Crisis: The Current Leadership Moment

We are living in one of the most pivotal moments in human history. There is tremendous opportunity before the Church, yet there is also significant challenge.

On one hand, we may be approaching one of the greatest spiritual awakenings the world has ever seen. Many believe the coming season could bring a massive harvest of souls as the Holy Spirit moves powerfully across the earth.

At the same time, the Church in many Western nations is experiencing a season of declining cultural influence in areas such as education, government, business, entertainment, and media.

Scripture calls believers to be salt and light (Matthew 5:13–16) and to serve as kings and priests (Revelation 1:6). Yet in many cases believers have withdrawn from positions of influence, creating a vacuum that other voices have filled.

The solution is not retreat but mobilization. Every member of the Body of Christ must discover their God-given destiny and step into their calling as an influencer for the Kingdom of God.

2. Review of the Kingdom Leadership Foundations Course

The Foundations course emphasized that every believer is called to leadership.

If you are a follower of Jesus, the presence and power of God dwell within you. The resurrection power that raised Jesus from the dead lives in you, empowering you to influence the world around you.

Your sphere of influence may vary. Some leaders influence a few people while others influence thousands. However, every believer is called to make a difference for the Kingdom of God.

Leadership begins with recognizing this call and embracing the responsibility to influence others toward God's purposes.

3. Know Yourself, Lead Yourself, Be Led by the Spirit

The first stage of leadership development is understanding your identity in Christ.

Scripture teaches that believers are ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20). As ambassadors, we represent the Kingdom of Heaven in the world around us.

Knowing yourself begins with understanding who you are in Christ, whose you are, and the authority God has entrusted to you.

From this foundation comes self-leadership.

Leadership always begins on the inside. Before we can lead others effectively, we must learn to govern our own lives well.

Galatians 5 describes the fruit of the Spirit, concluding with self-control. Self-control is the ability to govern your life under the leadership of Jesus Christ.

Healthy leadership requires growth in spiritual health, emotional health, physical well-being, relational health, financial stewardship, and time management.

As we partner with the Holy Spirit, He guides us and empowers us to lead ourselves well.

4. Leading Others and Helping Them Discover Their Destiny

Leadership ultimately involves helping other people grow and become who God created them to be.

This can happen in families, churches, businesses, schools, government, healthcare, and the marketplace.

A key role of leadership is helping people discover their God-given vision and destiny.

Leaders function as destiny coaches, helping others identify their purpose and take practical steps toward fulfilling it.

The process includes vision (discovering the blueprint God has placed in someone's heart), mission (determining the actions necessary to accomplish that vision), goals and objectives

(measurable steps forward), and building a culture of growth that develops people and expands influence.

One of the greatest joys of leadership is helping others step into their calling and reach their full potential.

5. Moving from Personal Leadership to Organizational Leadership

The Kingdom Leadership Foundations course focused primarily on personal leadership: discovering your calling, developing self-leadership, and learning to influence others.

In this Advanced Kingdom Leadership course, we expand that framework to explore organizational leadership.

Effective leadership requires integrating two realities: developing people and building healthy systems and organizations.

Whether leading a church, business, ministry, or family, leaders must learn how to create environments where both individuals and the organization can thrive.

This course explores how to integrate these dynamics so people flourish and organizations accomplish their God-given mission.

Questions:

1. In your experience, where have you seen the Church gaining or losing cultural influence in your nation or community?
2. Do you believe every believer is called to leadership and influence? Why or why not?
3. Which area of personal leadership (identity, self-leadership, or being led by the Spirit) do you feel you need to grow in the most right now?

Activations:

1. Take time to ask God to reveal the sphere of influence He has placed you in during this season of your life.
2. Write down three areas where you feel called to grow in your personal leadership.
3. Ask the Holy Spirit to show you one person whose destiny you can begin encouraging or developing this week.