

## Advanced Kingdom Leadership Course

### Module 2

#### Session Three: The Heavenly Vision and Leadership Mandate

##### Overview

This session continues exploring the blueprint of heaven by focusing on the concept of the 'heavenly vision.' Leaders must understand the destiny God has given them and faithfully steward that calling. This vision shapes how leaders build influence in their homes, workplaces, churches, and communities.

##### 1. The Heavenly Vision

The Apostle Paul described his calling by saying he was 'not disobedient to the heavenly vision.'

This phrase highlights the importance of recognizing and responding to the purpose God has revealed for our lives.

A heavenly vision represents God's destiny and assignment for each person.

It reflects how God has gifted, positioned, and called individuals to influence the world around them.

##### 2. Understanding Your Personal Calling

Every believer has been uniquely created and equipped by God.

Key questions leaders must ask include:

- What gifts has God placed in my life?
- What environments has He placed me in?
- What influence has He entrusted to me?

The answers to these questions help reveal the destiny God has prepared for each individual.

### 3. Leadership and the Crisis of Influence

According to this teaching, many areas of society have experienced a crisis of leadership.

When believers fail to step into their leadership responsibilities, a vacuum is created.

Other voices and ideologies quickly fill that space.

As a result, society may begin promoting ideas that are contrary to a biblical worldview.

### 4. The Call for Believers to Lead

Every believer has been placed in a sphere of influence.

This may include:

- Family
- Workplace
- Community
- Education
- Church

Within these environments, believers are called to serve as representatives of Christ and bring Kingdom influence.

### 5. The Spectator Church Problem

One challenge the Church faces is a spectator mentality.

In this mindset, believers primarily attend church services to receive spiritual care but do not actively engage in the mission of advancing God's Kingdom.

Healthy leadership calls believers to move from passive participation to active mission.

## 6. A Call to Sacrificial Leadership

Scripture calls believers to present their lives as a living sacrifice.

This means surrendering personal priorities and embracing God's purposes.

Jesus consistently challenged His followers to live sacrificially and to serve others.

Leadership in the Kingdom requires commitment, growth, and willingness to pursue God's mission wholeheartedly.

## 7. Occupying Until Christ Returns

Jesus taught that His followers should 'occupy until He comes.'

This means believers should actively steward their gifts, influence, and responsibilities until Christ returns.

Rather than withdrawing from society, believers are called to engage culture and influence it toward righteousness.

## 8. Transforming Environments Through Kingdom Influence

The goal of Kingdom leadership is transformation.

When believers step into their leadership calling, they can influence both people and organizations.

Transformation includes:

- People coming to faith in Christ
- Communities becoming healthier
- Organizations operating with greater justice and integrity
- Environments becoming more open to the message of the Gospel

Questions

1. What do you believe the 'heavenly vision' for your life might be?
2. In what sphere of influence has God positioned you to lead and serve others?
3. How can you move from passive participation to active influence in your environment?

Activations

- Spend time reflecting on the gifts and opportunities God has given you.
- Write down the areas where you believe God is calling you to influence others.
- Identify one practical action you can take this week to begin living out your heavenly vision.