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The Kingdom of God, Leadership, and the Generations

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When Kingdom leaders seek God's heart, they transform into multigenerational visionaries who cherish each generation while preparing to pass on God's knowledge to future generations for God's glory (Psalm 145:4; Malachi 4:6a). Therefore, the significance of multigenerational ministries and marketplace arenas cannot be overstated.

They reflect the Kingdom of God like any multiracial, ethnic, and cultural ministry or marketplace venue. Differences should never be used to justify or decrease commitment. Disunity among generations compromises doctrinal truth, confuses unbelievers, and impedes mission effectiveness (1 Corinthians 1:10).



Leaders must keep their minds clean and clear, rejecting the world's concepts of right and wrong and what is excellent and healthful in the coming seasons.

The virtuous mind is focused on God's Kingdom. The world's mindset focuses on "doing" to become. On the other hand, the Kingdom of God attitude is "being," a constant godly lifestyle that motivates virtuous "doing." By focusing their minds and affections on God's Kingdom and living according to His Kingdom ("being"), leaders achieve the supernatural result of the Fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23), which is unmistakably translated as godly behaviors, deeds, and works.

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control; there is no law against such things." And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with all of its desires and passions."

If we are to live by the Spirit, we must also keep pace with the Spirit.

