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**Backstage**

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**Leading in Ministry Today**

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* You can’t divorce the **message** from the messenger.

**Every Leader Functions on Two Stages**

* **Front Stage** – Public world of leadership and your ministry
* **Back Stage** – Private world of the leader

The Christian life is **inside** out.

The **private** informs the public.

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**My Takeaway/Closer**

Every leader functions on two stages—the front stage and the back stage.

The front stage is the public world of leadership.

The back stage is the private world of the leader.

**Questions**

Who’s talking to you about you and your backstage life?

What’s your takeaway?

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**Gift**

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* Avoid a dangerous detachment from **Jesus**.

I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live.

- Deuteronomy 30:19 (ESV)

* Now choose **life**.
* Six powerful words: For the **Lord** is your life.

When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

- Colossians 3:4 (ESV)

**My Takeaway/Closer**

Jesus has to be first.

Ministry comes second.

**Questions**

I remember when…. (fill in the blank)

Are you still in love with Jesus?

Is your relationship with Him stuck? Is it mechanical?

What are some substitutes we have for Jesus? (ministry, church, spouse, kids)

Is your emphasis on the box, or the gift?

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**Bucket**

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* If we could plot the trajectory of your soul…

Where does it **end up**?

* Your soul is like a bucket:

**External** forces can poke a hole in your bucket.

**Internal** forces also poke holes in your bucket.

“Be still, and know that I am God.

 I will be exalted among the nations,

 I will be exalted in the earth!”

- Psalm 46:10 (ESV)

* Don’t lead, manage and preach from an **empty** bucket.
* Your **soul** is the most important ministry tool that you possess.

**My Takeaway/Closer**

Take care of your soul and keep your bucket filled.

Don’t let things on the inside or outside poke holes in your bucket.

**Questions**

Why are we so busy?

Why are we so driven?

Why can't we say no?

Why is it so important to us what other people think?

What’s your takeaway?

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