

Sermon Notes

Providence Community Church

6-3-18 Ken Carlton

Title: HEBREWS ON LEADERSHIP

Main Text: Hebrews 13:7-25

Aim: TO DRAW OUR ATTENTION TO A TRULY CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE ON LEADERSHIP

Sermon Description: What makes a great leader? Why are certain figures of historical importance celebrated for their leadership? What character traits and qualifications will we look for in our political candidates next election cycle? Questions like this – as common as the are – illustrate a preoccupation with the concept of leadership prevalent in our culture. In the confessing church, book titles to this effect alone, often indicate an obsession with the notion of leadership. These discussions are often marked by two sinful impulses manifesting themselves on either side of social hierarchy. First: pride among those seeking self-validation, meaning and identity. Ambition pursued at the expense of others translates into tyranny. Secondly: rebellion among those resenting submission to leadership without distinction. This results in lawlessness or antinomianism.All of this only highlights the importance of what the scriptures reveal on leadership. The Bible addresses those in leadership and those under leadership with absolute authority. It also makes clear, that in nearly every station of life, we are called to be under authority and in authority simultaneously depending on our calling and duty in God's order of things. For these reasons, it is appropriate that the author of Hebrews would close his sermon/ epistle with instructions pertaining to leadership and equally as appropriate for us to take his instructions to heart.

Heading: ...4 APPLICATION POINTS WITH RESPECT TO OUR LEADERS...

1. REMEMBER THEM – (Heb 13:7)

- a. Leadership in Word
- b. Leadership in deed
- c. Leadership affirmed (10:32-36)

2. OBEY THEM – (13:17)

- a. For your own sake
- b. For their sake
- c. Mutual edification

3. PRAY FOR THEM – (13:18-19)

- a. Implicit qualifications
- b. The communion of the church (10:25)

4. GREET THEM – (13:24-25)

- a. Your leaders
- b. All the saints
- c. Greetings received

CONTEXT OF CHRIST AND COMMUNION

FAMILY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:
Remember	Obey	Pray	Greet	Examples	Next week
Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:
Heb 13:7-13	13:16-17	13:18-21	13:22-24	11:8-16	Psalm 81

FURTHER STUDY: see 'Excerpts' posted weekly at providencecrosslake.com

NEXT WEEK: *Psalm 81*