

Overview: Sketches of Leadership

Images of Leadership

These Bible studies provide scriptural **Images of Leadership** as models for developing leaders. These two-page studies were written by InterVarsity staff Rich Lamb. Each study also includes notes for leading students in a training setting. These are modular and independent units so they can be used in any order.

Leader as Shepherd: Caring for the Flock

- [God as Shepherd](#) (Psalm 23, John 10)
- [The Call of a Shepherd](#) (John 21:15-19 and Ezekiel 34)
- [The Heart of a Shepherd](#) (1 Peter 5:1-4)

Leader as Servant: Building Trust

- [The Leader Leads by Serving](#) (Mark 1:40-44 and Mark 5:24-32)
- [The Leader Serves by Leading](#) (John 13:1-17)
- [The Leader Serves by Leading](#) (Mark 10:41-45)

Leader as Patient: God serves and heals us even as he calls us into ministry

- [Relationship with God](#) (various scripture verses)
- [Motivation for Discipleship](#) (verses from Mark)
- [Why did Jesus go to the Cross?](#) (various scripture verses)

Leader as Sage: God offers wisdom to those who lead

- [Asking Good Questions](#) (verses from Mark)
- [Wisdom and Leadership](#) (1 Kings 3:5-28, James 1:5-8)

Leader as Sentinel: Addressing sin in a way that people will respond

- [Leader as Sentinel](#) (Ezekiel 33:1-9 and Hebrews 3:12-14)
- [The Sentinel in Conflict](#) (1 Samuel 25)

Leader as Visionary: Seeing the campus as God does and calling others toward faith in God's work

- [The Leadership of Aaron and Moses](#) (Exodus 32:1-29)

- **The Leadership of King David** (1 Chronicles 29:1-14)
- **Leading with Vision** (Haggai 1:1-15)
- **Gaining God's Heart for the Campus** (Jonah 3:10 - 4:11)
- **Preparing for Growth** (2 Kings 4:1-7)
- **Seeing Your Campus as a Mission Field** (Genesis 12:1-4 and Jeremiah 29:1-14)

Leader as Steward: Delegation and Execution

- **Standing in the Gap with Prayer and Planning** (Nehemiah 1:1 - 2:8)

Leader as Sponsor: Helping to develop the leadership of the next generation

- **Transformative Influence 1** (John 1:35-51 and John 4:27-37)
- **Transformative Influence 2** (John 15:1-17 and John 21:15-19)
- **Leadership Styles** (verses from Mark and Matthew)
- **Entrust to Faithful People** (Mark 3:3-19 and 2 Timothy 2:1-2, 14-15)
- **The Mechanics of the Kingdom** (Mark 4:1-13, 21-34)
- **Apprentice Apostles** (Mark 6:1-13, 30)

Leader as Sower: Multiplying ministry by calling others into partnership

- **Entrust to Faithful People** (Mark 3:7-19 and 2 Timothy 2:1-2, 14-15)
- **The Mechanics of the Kingdom** (Mark 4:1-13, 21-34)
- **Leadership and Modeling** (Acts 20:18-35 and John 13:12-17)

Topical Sketches of Leadership

These topical Bible studies provide scriptural principles for training students in leadership responsibilities by developing vision, prayer, character, outreach, and more. These two-page studies were written by InterVarsity staff Rich Lamb. Each study also includes notes for leading students in a training setting. These are modular and independent units so they can be used in any order. Plan 45-90 minutes for each one.

Vision: Leading with vision and preparing for growth on the mission field of the campus

- [The Leadership of King David](#) (1 Chronicles 29:1-14)
- [Leading with Vision](#) (Haggai 1:1-15)
- [Gaining God's Heart for the Campus](#) (Jonah 3:10 - 4:11)
- [Preparing for Growth](#) (2 Kings 4:1-7)
- [Seeing Your Campus as a Mission Field](#) (Genesis 12:1-4 and Jeremiah 29:1-14)

Prayer: Leading with prayer that stands in the gap of missional intercession

- [Standing in the Gap with Prayer and Planning](#) (Nehemiah 1:1 - 2:8)
- [Praying with Your Eyes Open](#) (2 Kings 6:8-23)
- [Jesus at Prayer](#) (various passages in Luke)
- [Missional Intercession](#) (Romans 8:18-27 and Exodus 33:1-5, 12-17)

Character of a Leader: Exploring ambition, authenticity, reluctance and confidence in the character of a leader

- [Ambition and the Kingdom](#) (various verses)
- [The Leadership of Aaron and Moses](#) (Exodus 32:1-29)
- [The Authentic Jesus](#) (Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 10:42-45)
- [The Reluctant Leader](#) (Exodus 2-4)

Difficulties in Leadership: Examining burnout, failure, and resistance in leadership

- [The Leader and Burnout](#) (1 Kings 19:1-18)
- [The Reluctant Leader](#) (Exodus 2-4)
- [Faith in Failure](#) (Mark 9:14-29 and Romans 8:18-27)
- [Successful Failure](#) (Matthew 14:22-33)
- [Resistance to God's Work](#) (John 13:1-17)

Small Group and Bible Study: Engaging the hearers, the doers or the confused in a small group community that asks good questions

- [Engaging the Hearers: Encounter](#) (Nehemiah 8:1-12)
- [Confusion and Discernment](#) (Luke 24:13-35)
- [Doers of the Word: Response](#) (James 1:18-27)
- [Asking Good Questions](#) ((various passages from Mark)
- [Dwelling Place of God: Small Group Community](#) (various verses)

Evangelism: Authenticity, apologetics, proclamation, and the five thresholds of conversion

- [The Authentic Jesus](#) (Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 10:42-45)
- [Jesus and Apologetics](#) (Mark 12:18-27)
- [The Five Thresholds of Conversion](#) (John 4:5-40)
- [Ready to Proclaim the Good News](#) (Acts 8:26-40)
- [Bridging the Gap](#) (Acts 17:16-34)
- [Strands of Conversion](#) (passages in Acts) [*coming*]

New Student Outreach: A welcoming heart on the mission field of the campus

- [A Heart of Welcome](#) (Mark 5:21-36)
- [Throwing A Great Banquet](#) (Luke 14:7-23)
- [Seeing Your Campus as a Mission Field](#) (Genesis 12:1-4 and Jeremiah 29:1-14)
- [Apprentice Apostles](#) (Mark 6:1-13, 30)

Multiethnicity: Ministry growth and multiethnicity

- [Ministry Growth and Multiethnicity](#) (Acts 6:1-7)

Chapter Planting: Start something new as a leader on your campus

- [The Reluctant Leader](#) (Exodus 2–4)
- [Standing in the Gap with Prayer and Planning](#) (Nehemiah 1:1 - 2:8)
- [Gaining God's Heart for the Campus](#) (Jonah 3:10 - 4:11)
- [Seeing Your Campus as a Mission Field](#) (Genesis 12:1-4 and Jeremiah 29:1-14)
- [Throwing A Great Banquet](#) (Luke 14:7-23)
- [Apprentice Apostles](#) (Mark 6:1-13, 30)

See all the *Sketches of Leadership Bible studies* at <http://collegiateministries.intervarsity.org/leader-tools/sketches-leadership>.