

MAKE UP YOUR MIND! BE COMMITTED!

As a leader, we must have a committed mindset in everything we do. It's not just about making wise decisions, but standing by them even in the face of pressure! When the leader is committed to a mission, then your teams will build confidence in that mission.

When a leader is only half-committed to a cause, then the team will be, at best, only half commitment.

Don't mistake indecision as "wisdom".

In the kingdom, undecided leaders become unreliable leaders. And unreliability produces instability in everyone under them.

Example:

Let me show you what half-hearted leadership looks like:

2 Kings 13:14-19 – The prophet Elisha told King Joash to take arrows and strike the ground as a prophetic act of victory. The king struck it only three times and then stopped. Elisha was angry.

He said, "You should have struck the ground five or six times, then you would have completely defeated your enemy... but now you will only have partial victory."

- **Why was Elisha so upset?**
- Because Joash approached the prophetic moment with passivity instead of passion. With half-effort instead of whole-hearted action.
- That's what happens when leaders hold back.
- Your level of commitment determines the level of breakthrough.
- In leadership, you don't get full results with half effort.
- You don't get full trust with half reliability.
- And you don't get the full harvest with half-hearted obedience.

In high-level leadership, lack of commitment creates ripple effects across teams, ministries, marriages, and businesses.

5 PRINCIPLES TO STAND ON WHEN IT COMES TO COMMITMENT:



1. HOW YOU DO ONE THING IS HOW YOU DO EVERYTHING!

Luke 16:10 (NLT) – “If you are faithful in little things, you will be faithful in large ones.”

- Leadership starts behind the scenes, not on stage or in the public eye.
- If you can lead you, then you can lead them.
- Sloppy in small things? You’ll be sloppy in big things.
- Lazy in personal habits? You’ll lead lazy teams.
- Inconsistent in spiritual disciplines? Your church or business will reflect that.
- OR
- Excellent in small = excellent in big
- best effort in small = best effort in big
- consistent in small = consistent in big

Nehemiah paid attention to the little things

- Nehemiah didn’t just pray and lead the charge to rebuild the wall, but he checked every gate, assigned people by name, and even had guards rotate shifts. He stewarded the details, and the wall was rebuilt in 52 days (Nehemiah 6:15).

Take an audit of your personal habits

- How do you show up when no one’s watching?
- What does your morning routine look like?
- How do you prepare for meetings or prayer?



2. NO MORE HALF-HEARTED COMMITMENTS!

James 1:8 (NIV) - "Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do."

- Half-hearted = unstable.
- Indecision leads to excuses. Excuses become habits. Habits shape your character.
- We must stop being "I'll try" leaders.
- I heard someone say "there are consequences to our hesitation"
- Try leaves the back door of excuses open.
- As leaders, let's commit to our commitments!

1 Kings 18:21 - "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him."

- Elijah confronted the people and drew a line in the sand.
- What two opinions are you wavering between?
- no more being double-minded or half-hearted!
- That same spirit is needed in leadership today.

Quote: "You cannot lead what you won't fully commit to."

Write this down:

- What assignment have I started but not finished?



3. BECOME RELIABLE AND TRUSTWORTHY!

Proverbs 20:6 (NLT) - "Many will say they are loyal friends, but who can find one who is truly reliable?"

Reliable: consistent in performance, able to be trusted.

- Our teams, ministries, businesses don't need more talent... they need LEADERS WITH CHARACTER
- AND RELIABILITY!
- Pastor Marco always says "if there is nothing else consistent in your life, the church will be!"
- People don't follow the most talented leader, but they will follow the most trustworthy one.
- The world might honor talent, but God promotes character.

Quote "The greatest way to build self-esteem is to keep the commitments you make to yourself."

Questions to ask yourself:

- Where did you follow through?
- Where did you cancel, forget, or delay?



4. LET YOUR YES BE YES, AND YOUR NO BE NO!

Matthew 5:37 (NLT) - "Just say a simple, 'Yes, I will,' or 'No, I won't.' Anything beyond this is from the evil one."

- Mean what you say!
- Become someone that says something and sticks to it!
- Do others believe your word? Or are they saying "we'll see if they follow through"
- Don't be lukewarm

Revelation 3:16 (NLT) - "But since you are like lukewarm water, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth!"

- Lukewarm leadership confuses teams.
- Strong leaders speak with clarity and conviction!

Question to ask yourself: Is your "yes" a maybe?



5. DECIDE ONCE ON THE IMPORTANT/FOUNDATIONAL THINGS!

Psalms 119:112 (NIV) "My heart is set on keeping your decrees to the very end."

- **When it comes to the most important things in our walk, great leaders don't decide daily. They decide once and live it out daily.**
- Decide once to make your marriage a top priority.
- Decide once to be a hard worker.
- Decide once to be a tither.
- Decide once to live with integrity.
- From there, you reinforce your decision in your daily actions!
- **"I already decided, this is what I am going to do!"**

Daniel 1:8 (AMP) - "But Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile (taint, dishonor) himself with the king's finest food or with the wine which the king drank"

- He made up his mind before the pressure came. Leaders who don't decide early will crumble under pressure later.