# Developing A Healthy Pastoral Leadership Style

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Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to

Romans 12:1-2

he pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will."

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#### The Pastor's Mind

"All leaders are learners.
The moment you stop learning,
you stop leading."
Rick Warren

## Life Is Often Divided into Four Segments

#### 1.Workspan

The period of productivity and achievement.

#### 2. Lovespan

The period of of rewarding relationships.

#### 3. Mindspan

The period of clear thoughts and brilliant ideas.

#### 4. Soulspan

The period of volunteering, giving back and becoming spiritually alive.

Source: Mark Hansen and Art Linkletter

#### The Pastor's Motivation

"A leader's integrity is the prime motivator with their followers."

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"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about such things." Philippians 4:8

## Practicing Daily Disciplines That Impact Daily Decisions

#### 1. Audit your beliefs.

- Your faith
  - Your spouse
    - Your relationships
      - Your career
        - Your future

## 2. Determine your values.

# 3. Reduce clutter through good organization.

## 4. Maximize your minutes.

- Designate
- Delegate
- Disassociate

## 5. Plan to leave a legacy.

#### The Pastor's Mentor

"Every Timothy needs a Paul and every Paul a Timothy."

John C. Maxwell

#### The Pastor's Mission

"Every leader needs a clear mental picture of a preferred future."

**Warren Bennis** 

#### The Pastor's Model

"Leadership is always demonstrated in a life-related context."

Melvin M. Maxwell