



In order to be in the center of God's will, we have to be in tune with what the Spirit is saying.

Ministry is about looking for windows of opportunity; we don't have to fit into a specific ministry box.

The best leaders have a balance of support, affirmation, and accountability.

Moses was not a perfect leader but invested in others. His ministry continued because he multiplied himself. He made mistakes but was an intercessor for his people. Moses didn't do it all himself. God showed him that once he let go of some of the responsibility, He would multiply the spirit on others.

Unconditional love can only come from the Father and this is most important in children's ministry.

We should know our own strengths and our own limitations. Authentic leaders can lead through their weaknesses.

Recommended Personality Test: D.I.S.C. and Enneagram

Relationship is leadership. You must let people in, but also have boundaries. Having boundaries with yourself first is the most important thing. Boundaries benefit you, but they also benefit the other person.

Children's ministry is "whole family ministry". You can't just have relationship with the child; you have to have a relationship with their village.

Look for the kernel of truth from the critic. Be willing to strip back the emotion and hear so that you know what to do differently in the future.

Whatever time we are given in children's ministry is enough. With the help of the Holy Spirit, God will make it be enough – especially the things that are outside of our control.

Be yourself; comparison is a deadly thing. You're called to a ministry that won't look like anybody else's. The only person you should compare yourself to is you six months ago.

Look for ministers that you admire and spend time with them. Ask them to be part of your journey.

Surround yourself with people that will be brutally honest with you and give you the feedback you need.

Recommended Resources

- *Undistracted* by Bob Goff
- *Love Does* by Bob Goff
- *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* by Stephen R. Covey
- *Dare to Lead* Podcast by Brené Brown
- *Start with Why* by Simon Sinek