

September 2015

Season of

TURNING POINT

Ecclesiastes 3:1

positively. It is a point at which there is a change in direction or motion. There are different climate seasons in a year – every time there is a change in a season, there is always a turning point. May I announce to you, that your turning point for good has come!

There are three things very particular when we talk about a turning point:

1. A critical change will happen in this season
There is a season of darkness. But as we know it, no matter how long the night will last, the sun is sure to rise in the morning. The same thing applies to struggles, failures,

backwardness, etc. I am believing with you that this is the season your darkness turns to light, and everything negative becomes positive in Jesus' Name.

2. There will be a critical change of position
Genesis 41 was a critical turning point in the life of Joseph. And everything Joseph thought he would never be, he became in one (1) day! It was also just in one day that Esther entered the palace and her story and position changed. She went in a decorated slave, and came out as a royal queen. The whole month of September is too much for God to prove Himself. You will experience a change in your position for good!
3. There will be a change in direction
A lot of people will begin to experience a 180 degree change in direction for greater glory. A change in season usually brings about a change in direction. And I believe God that this new season will bring about a more focused, redefined and positive direction for you.

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A BOSS OR A LEADER

I would like to start this article with a simple quote "Every leader is a boss, But every boss is not a leader". Although leaders and bosses have nearly identical definitions, in effect, they are different in today's competitive world.

Just the term "leader" evokes more positivity than that of "boss." However, when people dream of getting to higher positions in life, business or politics, they dream more about being bosses than leaders.

A possible explanation for this is that being a leader requires much more responsibility in a job than being a boss, seeing as being the boss doesn't necessarily require going above and beyond to impress a superior.

While a boss is mostly concerned with outcomes, a leader feels responsible for the process of that outcome and the people who see it out. To build our understanding on this topic, let check out some major points that distinguish a leader from a boss:

1. Leaders lead rather than rule.

Throughout history, the best battle is won when the leader headed their troops in fights or campaigns or whatever. The troops were not afraid because their leader was right there with them. Leaders are there to lead the team forward and to move together. When the leader leads it gives a sense of confidence to the followers or subordinates. Leader coaches his followers while boss drives his followers

HYMN

I am so glad that our Father in heaven

1. I am so glad that our Father in heaven
Tells of His love in the book He has given:
Wonderful things in the Bible I see;
This is the dearest, that Jesus loves, me.

I am so glad that Jesus loves me,
Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me.
I am so glad that Jesus loves me,
Jesus loveChoruss even me.

2. Though I forget Him and wander away,
Still He doth love me wherever I stray.
Back to His dear loving arms do I flee
When I remember that Jesus loves me.

Chorus

3. Oh, if there's only one song I can sing,
When in His beauty I see the great King,
This shall my song in eternity be.
`Oh what a wonder that Jesus love me!`

4. Jesus loves me, and I know I love Him:
Love brought Him down my poor soul to redeem;
Yes, it was love made Him die on the tree:
Oh, I am certain that Jesus loves me!

5. If one should ask of me, how can I tell?
Glory to Jesus, I know very well!
God's Holy Spirit with mine doth agree,
Constantly witnessing --- Jesus loves me.

6. In this assurance I find sweetest rest,
Trusting in Jesus, I know I am blest;
Satan, dismayed, from my soul now doth flee,
When I just tell him that Jesus loves me.

2. Leaders motivate rather than terrify.

While working on projects, people have their ups and downs. Through this roller coaster, bosses are more likely to intimidate into action while leaders will motivate to action.

One of the best things about leaders is that they offer empathy and prepare a group for the tasks at hand. This is very important, seeing as whenever colleagues are not prepared for certain duties, leaders are there to support, teach and back them up. Leaders know that each employee is on the team for a reason and they have faith in every concerted effort.

3. Leaders teach and learn rather than expect and ignore.

A true leader is the person who has self-esteem, but who is not arrogant nor embarrassed to learn from those with lower titles. They know that it is never late to learn more.

This explains the tendency of leaders to always pay attention to their colleagues, knowing there is always more to learn from them. Moreover, leaders are not only takers, but givers, as well. A good leader is not greedy for sharing knowledge and experience with someone else; instead, the leader teaches and nurtures new professionals.

4. Leaders take part rather than stay aside.

While bosses choose to stay aside in the job, leaders take initiative. They watch over the progress of work, make adjustments where necessary and aid team members. They choose to be a part of the team rather than bossing the team around.

5. Leaders reprimand rather than scold or shout.

When necessary, a leader offers constructive criticism and correct in love. However, a leader never scolds or shouts at any individual, especially in public. They do understand that they are dealing with people and no one has right to humiliate others. Rather, the leader talks to the person individually and without any spike in temper.

6. Leaders establish equal relationships.

Anyone who has ever worked on a team knows what it feels like when the manager chooses his favorites and non-favorites. It always causes stress and tension among team members which compromises productivity.

A good leader tries to treat everyone equally and to not allow personal preferences affect the team dynamic.

Conclusion

During your life, you will face two kinds of managers: leaders and bosses. It does not matter how high the position of these individuals; bossy people are more likely to fail while those who lead will succeed.

Maybe the things I mentioned above do not make any sense for you now, but eventually, you will experience the difference and garner a greater understanding of which manager you prefer for your own professional life. Rounding off my article "DO WHAT YOU EXPECT OTHERS TO DO".

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