

Leading Others

The headline for this week is simply this: **what they need is our love.**

¹⁹ I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, that I also may be cheered when I receive news about you. ²⁰ I have no one else like him, **who will show genuine concern for your welfare.** ²¹ **For everyone looks out for their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.** ²² But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel. ²³ I hope, therefore, to send him as soon as I see how things go with me. ²⁴ And I am confident in the Lord that I myself will come soon.

Philippians 2:19-24

³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

Philippians 2:3-4

‘God is the original and model leader. He invented leadership and was the first to lead. God is love, and he has been for eternity, which means that his leadership flows from, is driven by, is energized by, and is characterized by love. So if his leadership is the leadership from which all other leadership derives its name, then my leadership is only true leadership to the degree that it is marked by other person-centred love’.

Craig Hamilton

For example, I think that changes

- The way we consult:
- The way we communicate:
- the way we delegate:
- the way we evaluate:

Discussion

How then do we love our church planting team? Turn to your neighbour and explore ways that you think your leadership needs to be characterised by love.