



## Introduction

In the final week of our When Leadership Feels Like a Four-Letter Word series, Pastor Chip notes that leading others is using the influence we have to help those around us get better. Leading others requires we lead ourselves well first, have proximity and clarity with those we lead, and navigate difficult conversations well.

## Discussion

- 1. Share an example from your life of a leader who impacted you in a positive way. How was that person's leadership different than a leader who impacted you in a negative way?
- 2. What personal rhythms do you have in place that set a good example for those you lead (i.e., health, spiritual, emotional)? Which areas do you need to change or enhance to be a better example?
- 3. Read Mark 1:35-39. How did Jesus's spiritual rhythms help him lead his disciples well?
- 4. Leading by proximity requires regular one-on-one time with those you lead. What can you do during this time to maximize knowing and equipping those you lead?

## Take Action

- 1. Spend time in prayer and silence asking God which rhythms in your life you need to adjust.
- 2. Prayerfully consider your relationships with the people you lead. Whom do you need to get to know better? Who needs a crucial conversation? Who needs some proximity to you this week? Make plans to connect with the people God puts on your heart.
- 3. Lead by example by volunteering at one of PLC's local partners\* or another nonprofit.

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## Resources

- 1. Browse PLC's leadership resources page at prairielakeschurch.org/leadership.
- 2. Read Integrity: The Courage to Meet the Demands of Reality by Henry Cloud, available on Amazon.
- 3. Read The Servant Leader by Ken Blanchard, available on Amazon.

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Local partners haven't been established for all campuses.