Stepwise Faith-fuelled Leadership – Stream Outline



Session Number and Title		Topics explored in this session include
5	Session 0: Come inside	Basic information about how this Stepwise stream works and its integration with CPAS Growing Leaders.
	Part One – Firm Foundations for Christian Leadership	
	Session 1: Introduction - Leadership Matters	Defining leadership and looking at the distinctiveness of Christian leadership. Establishing our leadership styles. Note: This session is designed as a 'double' session so may be split for delivery according to local circumstances.
	Session 2: Establishing Identity	Christian leadership is rooted in our relationship with God – exploring the basis of that relationship (God chose us/grace) and the priority of spiritual disciplines in the leader's life.
	Session 3: Clarifying Call	Many Christian leaders struggle with how to use their time. This is an issue of call. What are the biblical principles for discerning God's call? Identifying a tool to help with this.
	Session 4: Developing Christlike Character	The Bible places a clear emphasis on character issues as 'qualifications' for leadership. What are these qualities and how do we grow them?

Part Two – Key Skills of Christian Leadership	
Session 5: Discerning Direction	Leadership is about going somewhere, but how do we know where? How do we discern God's direction for a group and implement it? Note: This session is designed as a 'double' session so may be split for delivery according to local circumstances
Session 6: Developing Leaders	Jesus developed leaders around him. Christian leaders will need to do the same. How can we help others to grow as disciples and leaders?
Session 7: Leading Together	Leaders work with people, often in teams, groups or committees. Considering group needs, common dysfunctions of groups, and how to lead well together.
Part Three – Keeping Faithful in Christian Leadership	
Session 8: Embracing Cost	Too many people have unrealistic expectations of Christian Leadership. Identifying costs and how to handle them well.
Session 9: Staying Fresh	Leadership is a marathon not a sprint. How do we run a marathon well?
Session 10: Continuing Well	A celebration and commissioning event to end the stream.

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