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The ABC of Leadership

What does it take to be vibrant as leaders in the church these days?

I have the view that there is an ABC of leadership.

_____ the Fray
_____ labels
_____ Connected

Let's incubate on those for a moment.

Be Above the Fray.

The fray is that place where the world is. It the place of constant fracture.

It is the place where anxiety rides free.

It is also the place where there is focus on scarcity. There isn't enough money. There aren't enough people.

To be above the fray is to live in that place of claiming the _____ of God.

What if we look beyond what we don't have and look to _____ of God's abundance.

Be Above the Fray.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN IN YOUR LEADERSHIP TO LIVE ABOUT THE FRAY OF ANXIETY?

Be Beyond Labels.

Labels are the ways the world puts _____ around people.

They are not productive in the life of the leader.

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Labels once applied are difficult to remove.

Once we label someone as an enemy or an adversary it is difficult to move beyond that.

Us vs them. Friend vs. enemy.

Good vs bad.

When we move beyond labels, we see all as God's own.

Leaders know that every person is a part of God's large family and has a place at the welcome table.

WHEN YOU STOP LABELING PEOPLE, HOW DOES THAT DRAW YOUR CIRCLE WIDER?

WHAT LABELS DO YOU NEED TO LET GO OF?

Be above the Fray. Be beyond labels.

And, Be Contagiously Connected to Christ.

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To be a leader is to be in this abiding and deep relationship with Christ.

We get that by spending time – spending time in the Word, in prayer, and in fellowship.

When we are contagiously connected to Christ we are reflective, theologically reflective.

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People can recognize someone who has an authentic and passionate relationship with Christ.

Being in Christ is what this is all about.

And others recognize that.

Your connection to Christ is the most important leadership trait you have.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO TO BE EVEN MORE CONNECTED WITH CHRIST?

WHAT DOES YOUR CHURCH NEED TO DO TO BE EVEN MORE CONNECTED WITH CHRIST?

B Contagiously Connected to Christ.
B Beyond Labels.
B Above the Fray.

And in all that B Vibrant.