Leaders and followers... people who follow well, become natural leaders.

## A good follower has:

- 1. <u>Judgement</u>- know who to follow, choose wisely. Never blindly follow, use good common sense when encouraging others to join in following. Good judgement comes from experience, experience is gained from bad judgement!
- 2. <u>Work ethic</u> be diligent, motivated, do what's hard, every day. Useless followers are slackers
- 3. **Competence** learn how to do the job better. Excel at gaining skill.
- 4. <u>Honesty</u> true assessment of strengths and weaknesses help your leader. Own any responsibility for unmet goals
- **5.** <u>Courage</u> you may be the only one with the ear of the leader and need to confront them respectfully about problems. Courage looks for solutions
- **6.** <u>Discretion loose lips sink ships!</u> Know when and where to speak up. Always complain upline. Talking inappropriately with the wrong people can ruin an organization.
- 7. <u>Loyalty respect your obligation to the big picture</u>. Stirring up dissention is evil, unproductive and will come back to bite you. Do not be passive or a lapdog, but appeal wisely in private with the right attitude.
- 8. <u>Ego management</u> team players don't care who gets the credit. It is Classy to defer honor to another. Followers are always in the shadow of the leader, but that is how things work. Your day is coming, only if you know how to follow. You may be smarter, more experienced, or better looking but show some grace a follow with some class.

Bible: Can you drink from this cup?

If you are asked to sit at the head of the table, differ to another.

Follow me as I follow Christ

Where you go, I will go, where you stay, I will stay...

Heb 13:17 – obey and submit to leaders and it will bring joy to everyone

The blind lead the blind and they both fall in a ditch