

**Taking our Temperature**  
Leadership  
Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 8:26-40

What does it take to be a leader? That question has been asked since long before Jesus walked the earth. It's been asked by governments, armies, households, institutions of learning, and business people all over the world. Many in the pews struggle with this question, believing that they aren't truly a leader. And yet Jesus is very clear in the Great Commission that we are all called to lead others in our faith.

Your faith should be such a part of who you are, woven into the fabric of your daily life, that it's always there, flavoring all that you do. We are all called to bring leadership to others just by how we live because we are living in ways that can be modeled and replicated. If your faith is such an internal, integral part of who you are, others will see it whether you know it or not and they will know there is something about you that's different. And let me say this to you, when we see someone who has something that is working, don't we want what they've got? We are to be those kinds of leaders in the world...people who go about their business with their faith clearly guiding and leading all they do so that the world can see God's power and presence.

How are you leading someone else toward Jesus? How are you living in ways that show others how to follow him? In your family, at home, at school, in your work place, when you're hanging out with your friends? How are you leading intentionally so that others can see the light of Christ shining in our world today?

**Possible Preaching Points:**

- During/after prayer have everyone write down one way they will lead.