

# Resilient Leadership

## Discussion Questions

1. What stood out the most to you in this video?

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2. Proverbs 11:3 (NIV) - *"The integrity of the upright guides them, but the unfaithful are destroyed by their duplicity."* General Dees talked about how his faith became central to his life and career during his time in Washington, DC, and how he remained consistent. As a leader, how is your faith consistently reflected in your workplace? What obstacles do you face with being consistent?

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3. General Dees talks about what it means to be a wise leader. He mentioned writing, learning, and growing. How does one consistently *"lean into the right direction"* in the workplace? Mark 10:45 (NIV) - *"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."* What should Christ-like leadership look like in the marketplace?

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4. General Dees recounts various crises he managed including a terrorist threat in Korea. His strategy involved empathetic leadership and turning antagonistic situations into opportunities for building trust and cooperation. Read **Romans 12:3-8**. What challenges do you face in leadership? What are some important disciplines for a wise workplace leader?

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5. How should Christian leaders handle disappointment and failure in the workplace differently than the world?

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6. What does it mean to “refill your well of courage”? What do you do?

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7. Robert Dees said, “Your why is greater than your what”. What does this mean to you and how does this affect your leadership?

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## Application

8. Becoming a resilient leader requires that you continually learn, correct and grow in your weaknesses. If we are called to lead like Jesus, what are one or two changes you need to address and work toward improving? Share with the group and ask them to hold you accountable.

## Going Deeper

*This section is an extension of the above material and is designed for a deeper study/devotion on your own. Read the scripture below and take time to journal and put this content into practice to help shape your culture at work.*

9. Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV) - *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."* Write down areas of leadership you struggle with and steps you can take to grow in those areas as well as becoming a more resilient leader.

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10. Read James 1:2-4 (NIV) to help give you clarity. *"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything."* Becoming a resilient leader doesn't happen over night and the pain we go through at times can cause us to question whether we can get there or not. List some of the challenges you have been through, steps you took to overcome and

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