

# Are you leading where you are and how would you know?

The greatest leader is not always the one who does the greatest things. He is the one who gets other people to do great things. Leaders think about others first and are always empowering them. Additionally, leaders are made not born. So, every single person can learn to lead where they are. Leadership is relative, so everyone is different. BUT everyone has it within themselves to be a leader.

The questions to ask yourself; Are you leading where you are? How would you know?

Here are 4 telling questions to ask yourself to confirm that you are leading where you are.

## **1. Do you take more than your share of the blame?**

A good leader takes more than his share of the blame, and less than his share of the credit. Mainly this is because they understand that the success of others will impact their own success. Good leader sees their people as an asset and invest in them.

## **2. Are you making a difference?**

Great leaders don't set out to be a leader, they set out to make a difference. Your work should be making a difference in the lives of others in some way. If you are passionate about what you do, your passion will inspire others. When you inspire others, you are making an impact, and making a difference.

## **3. Are you creating more leaders?**

The most effective leaders meet people where they're at. Leaders expect the best and always strive to be better. It's

natural that those around them are going to be lifted to a higher level as well. A leader takes people where they want to go. A great leader takes people where they don't want to go but should.

#### **4. Do you set the example?**

One of the most important steps you can take to lead where you are is to set a good example for others. This will establish a foundation of trust. Without trust, you won't be able to make a difference or impact anyone. It can be difficult at times to see yourself as a leader, but you can decide today to believe that you are. You don't have to have a fancy title, own a million-dollar company, be the main person in charge, or any of those things to step into leadership. You can be the lowest man on the totem pole, and still be a leader within your space of influence. The old saying is true, "Everyone is a leader, someone is always watching!" So, you are a leader, the difference maker will be if you decide to actively step into the leadership role or not.

**If you've already made this leap, way to go! Keep being the amazing leader you are**

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