

TWENTY-ONE PRINCIPLES OF EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP

In his book, [Nehemiah: Man in Charge], [Dr. Campbell] lists twenty-one principles of leadership demonstrated in Nehemiah's character and behaviour.

1. Nehemiah established a reasonable and attainable goal.
2. He had a sense of mission.
3. He was willing to get involved.
4. He rearranged his priorities in order to accomplish his goal.
5. He patiently waited for God's timing.
6. He showed respect to his superior.
7. He prayed at crucial times.
8. He made his request with tact and graciousness.
9. He was well prepared and thought of his needs in advance.
10. He went through the proper channels.
11. He took time (three days) to rest, pray, and plan.
12. He investigated the situation firsthand.
13. He informed others only after he knew the size of the problem.
14. He identified himself as one with the people.
15. He set before them a reasonable and attainable goal.
16. He assured them God was in the project.
17. He displayed self-confidence in facing obstacles.
18. He displayed God's confidence in facing obstacles.
19. He did not argue with opponents.
20. He was not discouraged by opposition.
21. He courageously used the authority of his position. The above information was taken from both Nehemiah: Man in Charge and Integrity of Heart, Skillfulness of Hands Biblical and Leadership Studies in Honor of Donald K. Campbell.
 - a. The first volume was published by Victor Books [1979] and is out of print.
 - b. The the second volume was published by Baker Books [1994].
 - c. Dr. La More, Ph.D., D.D., pastor of Grace Missionary Baptist Church and president of Historic Baptist Bible College, believes every Christian worker ought to examine his or her ministry in the light of the twenty-one principles of effective leadership as given by Dr. Campbell.
 - d. The reader of this presentation may be able to find a copy of Dr. Campbell's book on Nehemiah through Kregel's Used Book Department. The reader may contact them at usedbooks@kregel.com