

Handout 1—Class 13

Keys to Remaining Teachable

The following actions can be taken in order for leaders to remain teachable:

1. **Ask God for a teachable attitude and heart**—Remember King David’s desire to learn!

2. **Continually seek to improve yourself and grow your “talents”**
 - a. Study God’s word for examples of His teachable servants.

 - b. Never make the mistake of assuming that you have “mastered” something or have all of the answers—the best leaders are “always” looking to improve themselves, their skills, their talents, and they know their own limitations.

 - c. Read books on leadership and building the talents of a leader.

 - d. Identify “role models” (in the Bible and in “real life”) that you would like to emulate, with regard to leadership and teachability, and push yourself to become more like them—learn from them. This will also frequently remind us that we have much overcoming and growth to accomplish.

 - e. Learn for the future—One important way to learn is to focus on learning how to do your current job and responsibilities better, NOW. A visionary way to learn is to gain knowledge and skills that will help propel you and your followers *successfully* into the future.

3. **Fast regularly**—Fasting is a tool that God gave us that automatically humbles us. Regular fasting will, in part, help us remain humble and “little in our own eyes,” and remind us that we are called only because of God’s grace, and not because we are “something special.”