## THE ANTIDOTE OF LIFE'S THREE GREAT TEMPTATIONS SEX, MONEY AND POWER

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. 16 For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. 1 John 2:15,16

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| The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.  1 John 2:17 |

# The Kind of Leadership God Blesses "Without wise leadership, a nation is in trouble." Proverbs 11:14

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"A nation will be strong and endure when it has intelligent, sensible leaders." Proverbs 28:2

#### 1. GOD BLESSES LEADERS WHO

"Love and truth form a good leader; sound leadership is founded on loving integrity." Proverbs 20:28 (MSG)

"David shepherded them with <u>integrity of heart</u>; with <u>skillful hands</u> he led them." Psalm 78:72 (NIV)

"Good leaders abhor wrongdoing of all kinds; sound leadership has a moral foundation." Proverbs 16:12 (MSG)

"When there is moral rot within a nation, its government topples easily. But wise and knowledgeable leaders bring stability."

Proverbs 28:2 (NLT)

"People with integrity have firm footing, but those who follow crooked paths will slip and fall." Proverbs10:9 (NLT)

### 2. GOD BLESSES LEADERS WHO \_\_\_\_

- "... Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant." Mark 10:43 (NLT)
- "... God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

  James 4:6 (NIV)
- "Pride leads to <u>disgrace</u>, but with humility comes wisdom." Proverbs 11:2 (NLT)
- "Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up."

  James 4:10 (NIV)
- "When you do things, do not let selfishness or pride be your guide. Instead, be humble and give more honor to others than to yourselves. Do not be interested only in your own life, but be interested in the lives of others. In your lives you must think and act like Christ Jesus."

  Philippians 2:3-5 (NCV)
- "A hot furnace tests silver and gold, and <u>people are tested</u> by the praise they receive." Proverbs 27:21 (NCV)
- "True humility and fear of the Lord lead to riches, honor, and long life." Proverbs 22:4 (NLT)

#### 3. GOD BLESSES LEADERS WHO \_\_\_\_

"They... give generously to those in need. So their good deeds will never be forgotten. They will have influence and honor."

Psalm 112:9 (NLT)

"Much is required from those to whom much is given, for their responsibility is greater." Luke 12:48b (LB)

A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed." Proverbs 11:25 (NIV)

"When Jesus <u>saw the crowds</u>, he had <u>compassion</u> on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd." Matthew 9:36 (NIV)