# Dave Wilcox BUILDING AND CARING FOR A TECH TEAM

PART 1: PASTORING, INSPIRING, LEADING

#### THE GOAL

- I. The Chief End of Tech Team Leadership
  - A. God-Centered Servants
  - B. Purposeful Servants
  - C. Peaceful Servants

#### LEADING TOWARD GOD-CENTERED SERVICE

- I. God's Gospel as Our Motivation
  - A. What's "In View" in Romans 12
    - 1. God's Wrath is Aimed at the Unrighteous
    - 2. No One is Righteous Under the Law or Outside of It
    - 3. A Righteousness from God Has Been Revealed
      - a. Peace with God
      - b. Freedom from Death
      - c. Freedom from Sin
      - d. Freedom from Law
      - e. Life in the Spirit on Earth
      - f. Life with God in Heaven Forever
    - 4. God's Sovereignty in Salvation
    - God's Salvation for All
- II. God's Glory as Our Goal
  - A. Paul's Appeal for Spiritual Worship
    - 1. Presentation
    - Sacrifice
    - 3. Transformation
    - 4 Action

# III. Implications and Application

A. Serving to God's glory requires both right action and right motives.

Motivation for tech ministry should be gospel-based.

B. Serving to God's glory requires personal loss.

Asking people to sacrifice when serving is appropriate.

- C. Serving to God's glory requires ongoing growth and change.
  - 1. Serving isn't just about showing up, executing, and going home.
  - 2. Serving is an integral part of our personal sanctification process.
    - a. Serving benefits from personal spiritual growth.
    - b. Serving provides unique tests of our spiritual state, revealing weaknesses and sin.
- D. Serving to God's glory leads to a confidence in God's direction.

At the heart of God's will is doing what you're made to do.

E. Serving to God's glory is worship, even when no singing is involved.

#### LEADING TOWARD PURPOSEFUL SERVICE

## I. God's Generosity as Our Vector

- A. God Gives Gifts (Direction)
  - 1. God has made us uniquely gifted.
  - 2. We must work together to fully benefit from God's design.
  - 3. God intends for us to use our gifts in the church.
- B. God Gives Faith (Amplitude)
  - 1. Faith is God's driver for quantity and nature of serving.
- C. Humility Regarding Gifts and Faith
  - 1. God wants us to think soberly about ourselves.
  - 2. Humility is the result of honesty, not self-deprecation.
  - 3. We may be weak, but God is generous with his grace.

# II. Implications and Application

A. Serving God requires community.

No one can serve God alone. We are not really useful on our own. We need each other.

- B. True humility doesn't downplay or write off gifts.
  - 1. It's OK to be the best at something.
  - 2. It's OK to be the worst at something.
  - 3. The most effective serving organization comes when faith-filled people are positioned according to their gifts.
  - 4. When someone better comes along, it is time to help him serve to God's glory.
- C. We should learn to measure our faith.
  - 1. Remember the gospel.
  - 2. Trust God's generosity.
  - 3. Act faithfully.
  - 4. Consider joy, peace, zeal, and cheerfulness, among other fruits.

### LEADING TOWARD PEACEFUL SERVICE

- I. Service by God's People Requires Relationships
  - Love
  - Honor
  - Zeal
  - Joy
  - Hope
  - Patience
  - Prayerfulness
  - Generosity
  - Hospitality
  - Compassion
  - Harmony
  - Humility
  - Thoughtfulness

# II. Implications and Application

- A. We can expect sin to happen when sinful people work together in tempting situations.
  - 1. What opportunities are there for reconciliation?
  - 2. What expectations are there for reconciliation?
- B. Proactive leadership can help your people to think ahead about how to love the people they are serving alongside.

## **CASE STUDIES**

Some Examples for Discussion