

# Leading Second Podcast

## Episode Guide



## Leading Second Podcast - Season 7 Episode 180

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The Kingdom Centered Leader ft. Kevin Gerald

We start our summer series, the Kingdom Centered Leader, with Kevin Gerald, founder and Lead Pastor of Champions Centre in Washington. This discussion centers around how the two colliding kingdoms we navigate through in ministry affect our worldview and how we lead those around us.

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### Two Colliding Kingdoms

- There are two colliding kingdoms.
  - Heaven has an opinion.
  - Our Bible is our Kingdom manual.
  - You can't separate ideology and theology.
    - Theology is not meant to stay away from the ideology of the world.
  - The Kingdom view is a worldview. It can not be kept only in the church and not carried out into practical, everyday life.

### True North

- The North Star is fixed.
  - It stays as our true north.
- Jesus championed truth and Satan is the Source of all lies.
  - The number one enemy we all have is lies.
    - When you live by Kingdom truth, you learn to recognize lies a lot quicker.
    - Then you can take them out of your life quicker.

## **HOW IDEAS ARE BEING TRAFFICKED INTO OUR WORLDVIEW.**

- They are being trafficked in by generational mindsets, media, and friendships.
  - They are being trafficked in by the world.
- The way you find truth is to look for it. Not to reject everything that you hear.
- Let's look at facts and not get caught up in feelings.

## **COMPASSION.**

- The world uses the word "compassion" differently than how the Kingdom uses it.
- The Trojan Horse of Compassion:
  - In Greek mythology, the Trojan Horse was a wooden horse said to have been used by the Greeks during the Trojan War to enter the city of Troy and win the war. For 10 years the Greeks tried to take over Troy without success and when everything else had failed, the Greeks pretended they were paying tribute to the strength of Troy by constructing a huge wooden horse and hiding a select group of warriors inside.
  - The Greek army pretended to sail away, and the Trojans pulled the horse into their city as a victory trophy. That night, the Greek warriors crept out of the horse and opened the gates for the rest of the Greek army, which had sailed back under the cover of darkness. The Greeks entered and destroyed the city, ending the war.
  - There's a Trojan Horse of Compassion
    - What's called compassion is not compassion.
      - There's authentic compassion and then there's an alternative form of compassion.
        - A form of compassion that has been and is being used by the enemy to manipulate and bully people into submission.
        - Everything that's called compassion is not compassion.
        - The book *Against Empathy* talks about what sympathy and what compassion actually is.
  - Be aware of words and definitions and how we are using them.
    - Recognize what Kingdom these ideas and definitions come from.
  - You can't just rely on what you hear.
    - Anytime we need to be disciples of Christ and students of Scripture, it's a mountain.
    - You have to have a Kingdom perspective in your approach to leadership.

## Final Thoughts

### **IS IT IMPORTANT FOR A PASTOR TO SPEAK OUT ON CURRENT SOCIAL ISSUES?**

- At least have these conversations with the teams we lead.
  - Every pastor and team should get alignment.

### **WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO A SECOND CHAIR LEADER WHO WISHES THAT THEIR PASTOR WOULD SPEAK OUT MORE?**

- Be mindful of your own level of influence or access.
  - A lot of team members underestimate their ability to have a conversation with their pastor.

### **WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO THE SECOND CHAIR LEADER WHO IS UNCOMFORTABLE WITH THEIR PASTOR SPEAKING OUT?**

- Work so your vocabulary and your own understanding can grow enough to support your pastor.
  - It can be lonely for a pastor to not know who is with him and who isn't.

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[Against Empathy: The Case for Rational Compassion](#)

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