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CHARACTER-BASED LEADERSHIP AND LOVE

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PART A: CHARACTER QUALITIES

Now indicate the extent to which you really demonstrate these characteristics. After reading each character quality, decide on the degree to which the statement accurately describes you by being bluntly honest and looking for genuine evidence using the following guidelines:

- 1. Decide if you tend more to the left or to the right.
- 2. If you tend to be more to the left, then decide if it is **completely** to the left (a IO rating), **mostly** to the left, or **slightly** to the left
- 3. Apply the same guideline if you tend more towards the right: **completely** to the right (a 1 rating), **mostly** to the right or **slightly** to the right

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1. Alertness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Carelessness
2. Attentiveness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Distraction
3. Availability	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Self-Centeredness
4. Benevolence	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Selfishness
5. Boldness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Fearfulness
6. Cautiousness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Rashness
7. Compassion	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Indifference
8. Contentment	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Covetousness
9. Creativity	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Underachievement
10. Decisiveness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Procrastination
11. Deference	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Rudeness
12. Dependability	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Inconsistency
13.	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Faintheartedness
Determination											
14. Diligence	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Slothfulness
15. Discernment	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Short-sightedness
16. Discretion	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Simple-mindedness
17. Endurance	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Discouragement
18. Enthusiasm	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Apathy
19. Faith	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Presumption
20. Flexibility	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Resistance
21. Forgiveness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Rejection
22. Generosity	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Stinginess
23. Gentleness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Harshness
24. Gratefulness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Unthankfulness
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25. Honour	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Disrespect
26. Hospitality	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Loneliness
27. Humility	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Pride
28. Initiative	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Idleness
29. Joyfulness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Self-Pity
30. Justice	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Corruption
31. Loyalty	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Unfaithfulness
32. Meekness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Anger
33. Obedience	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Wilfulness
34. Orderliness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Confusion
35. Patience	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Restlessness
36.	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Contentiousness
Persuasiveness											
37. Punctuality	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Tardiness
38.	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Wastefulness
Resourcefulness											
39. Responsibility	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Unreliability
40. Security	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Anxiety
41. Self-control	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Self-Indulgence
42.Sensitivity	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Callousness
43. Sincerity	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Hypocrisy
44. Thoroughness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Incompleteness
45. Thriftiness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Extravagance
46.Tolerance	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Prejudice
47.Truthfullness	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Deception
48. Virtue	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Impurity
49. Wisdom	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Foolishness

- 1. ALERTNESS vs. Carelessness. Being aware of what is taking place around me so can have the right responses
- ${\it 2.\ ATTENTIVENESS}$ vs. Distraction. Showing the worth of a person or task by giving my undivided concentration
- ${\it 3.\ AVAILABILITY}$ vs. Self-Centeredness Making my own schedule and priorities secondary to the wishes of those I serve
- 4. BENEVOLENCE vs. Selfishness. Giving to others' basic needs without having as my motive personal reward
- 5. BOLDNESS vs. Fearfulness Confidence that what I have to say or do is true, right, and just
- 6. CAUTIOUSNESS vs. Rashness. Knowing how important right timing is in accomplishing right actions
- 7. COMPASSION vs. Indifference. Investing whatever is necessary to heal the hurts of others
- $\pmb{8.}$ CONTENTMENT vs. Covetousness. Realizing that true happiness does not depend on material conditions
- 9. CREATIVITY vs. Underachievement. Approaching a need, a task, or an idea from a new perspective



- 10. DECISIVENESS vs. Procrastination. The ability to recognize key factors and finalize difficult decisions
- 11. DEFERENCE vs. Rudeness. Limiting my freedom so I do not offend the tastes of those around me
- 12. DEPENDABILITY vs. Inconsistency. Fulfilling what I consented to do, even if it means unexpected sacrifice
- $13.\ DETERMINATION$ vs. Faintheartedness. Purposing to accomplish right goals at the right time, regardless of the opposition
- 14. DILIGENCE vs. Slothfulness. Investing my time and energy to complete each task assigned to me
- 15. DISCERNMENT vs. Short-sightedness. Understanding the deeper reasons why things happen
- $16.\ DISCRETION$ vs. Simple-mindedness. Recognizing and avoiding words, actions, and attitudes that could bring undesirable consequences
- 17. ENDURANCE vs. Discouragement. The inward strength to withstand stress and do my best
- 18. ENTHUSIASM vs. Apathy. Expressing joy in each task as I give it my best effort
- 19. FAITH vs. Presumption. Confidence that actions rooted in good character will yield the best outcome, even when I cannot see how
- 20. FLEXIBILITY vs. Resistance. Willingness to change plans or ideas according to the direction of my authorities
- 21. FORGIVENESS vs. Rejection. Clearing the record of those who have wronged me and not holding a grudge
- 22. GENEROSITY vs. Stinginess. Carefully managing my resources so I can freely give to those in need
- 23. GENTLENESS vs. Harshness. Showing consideration and personal concern for others
- 24. GRATEFULNESS vs. Unthankfulness. Letting others know by my words and actions how they have benefited my life
- 25. HONOR vs. Disrespect. Respecting others because of the higher authorities they represent
- 26. HOSPITALITY vs. Loneliness. Cheerfully sharing food, shelter, or conversation to benefit others
- $\ensuremath{\textbf{27. HUMILITY}}$ vs. Pride. Acknowledging that my achievement results from the investment of others in my life
- 28. INITIATIVE vs. Idleness. Recognizing and doing what needs to be done before I am asked to do it
- 29. JOYFULNESS vs. Self-Pity. Maintaining a good attitude, even when faced with unpleasant conditions
- 30. JUSTICE vs. Corruption. Taking personal responsibility to uphold what is pure, right, and true
- 31. LOYALTY vs. Unfaithfulness. Using difficult times to demonstrate my commitment to those I serve
- 32. MEEKNESS vs. Anger. Yielding my personal rights and expectations with a desire to serve
- 33. OBEDIENCE vs. Wilfulness. Quickly and cheerfully carrying out the direction of those who are responsible for me
- 34. ORDERLINESS vs. Confusion. Arranging myself and my surroundings to achieve. Greater efficiency
- 35. PATIENCE vs. Restlessness. Accepting a difficult situation without giving a deadline to remove it
- 36. PERSUASIVENESS vs. Contentiousness. Guiding vital truths around another's mental roadblocks





- 37. PUNCTUALITY vs. Tardiness. Showing esteem for others by doing the right thing at the right time
- 38. RESOURCEFULNESS vs. Wastefulness. Finding practical uses for that which others would overlook or discard
- 39. RESPONSIBILITY vs. Unreliability. Knowing and doing what is expected of me
- 40. SECURITY vs. Anxiety. Structuring my life around that which cannot be destroyed or taken away
- 41. SELF-CONTROL vs. Self-Indulgence. Rejecting wrong desires and doing what is right
- 42. SENSITIVITY vs. Callousness. Perceiving the true attitudes and emotions of those around me
- 43. SINCERITY vs. Hypocrisy. Eagerness to do what is right with transparent motives
- **44. THOROUGHNESS** vs. Incompleteness. Knowing what factors will diminish the effectiveness of my work or words if neglected
- 45. THRIFTINESS vs. Extravagance. Allowing myself and others to spend only what is necessary
- 46. TOLERANCE vs. Prejudice. Realizing that everyone is at varying levels of character development
- 47. TRUTHFULNESS vs. Deception. Earning future trust by accurately reporting past facts
- 48. VIRTUE vs. Impurity. The moral excellence evident in my life as I consistently do what is right
- $49.\ WISDOM$ vs. Foolishness. Seeing and responding to life situations from a perspective that transcends my current circumstances







PART B: LOVE

- What is love?
- Genuine love is the most important quality
- Every other quality must be motivated by it or the quality will be empty or of no benefit
- Love is not complete without giving

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	Statement	Related qualities
1	Love is Patient:	Endurance, Faith,
	It does not lose heart. It perseveres with	Flexibility Forgiveness,
	patience and bravely endures misfortunes	Joyfulness, Loyalty
	and troubles.	and Patience,
2	Love is kind:	Alertness, Availability,
	It looks for ways and acts benevolently. It	Compassion,
	is easy to be entreated and has the	Creativity, Generosity,
	motivation of giving rather than taking. It	Gentleness, Initiative
	focuses on people's needs rather than just	Tolerance and
	on their faults.	Sensitivity
3	Love envy not:	Contentment,
	It does not boil with desires to have which	Gratefulness,
	belong to others. It is not possessive of	Resourcefulness,
	what has been entrusted to it. It is content	Security and
	with basic necessities.	Thriftiness,
4	Love does not boast:	Deference, Diligence,
	It does not boast of its abilities or its	Meekness and Sincerity
	accomplishments. It does not look for ways	
	to promote itself or extol its virtues with	
	rhetorical embellishments	
5	Love is not proud- love is not puffed up:	Humility and Virtue
	It does not cherish exaggerated ideas of its	
	own importance. It does not look down on	
	others with contempt or disdain. It is not	
	proud	
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6	Love is not rude- love does not behave	Discretion,
	itself unseemly:	Responsibility and Self-
	It does not flaunt itself to attract attention	control
	or to stir up sensual desires in others, it	
	does not act indecently or shamefully. It	
	has good manners.	
7	Love is not self-seeking:	Dependability and
	It does not demand its own way. It does not	Hospitality
	crave things just for its own pleasure or	
	profit. It focusses not just on itself but also	
	on the needs of others. It is willing to lay	
	down its life for the benefit of others	
8	Love is not easily angered- not easily	Cautiousness,
	provoked:	Orderliness, Honour
	It does not get irritated or exasperated. It	and Punctuality
	conquers anger and wrath. It is not quickly	
	excited to rivalry but rather to helping	
	others succeed	
9	Love keeps no record of wrongs:	Discernment,
	It guards the heart and mind. It does not	Obedience, and
	retail wrong desires or plans and does not	Thoroughness
	harbour hurtful feelings toward others	
10	Love does not delight in evil:	Decisiveness,
	It distinguishes between good and evil. It	Determination and
	grieves when unjust laws are made. It does	Justice
	not secretly desire to carry out the lusts of	
	the eyes or the prideful goals of life.	
11	Love rejoices with the truth:	Attentiveness,
	It dwells upon thoughts that are true,	Boldness, Enthusiasm,
	honest, just, pure, lovely and of a good	Persuasiveness,
	report, it is eager to share truth with	Truthfulness and
	others and rejoices when truth prevails	Wisdom



PART C: ACTION PLAN

WHAT DID YOU HEAR? What did you hear as you read the devotion for the day?
WHAT DO YOU THINK? What does it moan to you, how does it apply to
WHAT DO YOU THINK? What does it mean to you, how does it apply to your life, and what difference does it make to you?
WHAT WILL YOU DO? What action step will you take? How will you think
differently? How will you live differently?

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Very experienced business consultant both in private and public sector.

Impact player in organizational effectiveness and renewal and have been involved in several major strategic and corporate initiatives.

2. BUSINESS SCHOOL ACADEMIC - 14 YEARS

Teaching in Organizational Behaviour and also International Human Resource

Management, People and Change Management, High Impact Leadership, Management

Consulting and Emotional Intelligence

3. CORPORATE EXPERIENCE

17 Years experience in Human Resource and Executive Management

4. INTERNATIONAL FACILITATION

Lecturing in France, Antwerpen, Dortmund, Denmark, Austria, Indonesia,
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5. INVOLVEMENT IN AFRICA

Training in Cairo, Egypt, Namibia, Ghana, Uganda, Nigeria, Malawi, Zambia, Kenya, Liberia, Tanzania And Mauritius, Botswana

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