

Connect 301

Leadership Dynamic – Are you Authentic or Synthetic?

___ Psalm 127:1	___ Matt. 7:25-30; 12:33	___ Matt. 13:31
___ John 15:5,8	___ Psalm 1:1-2	___ John 12:24
___ Gal. 4:23	___ Genesis 1:22, 2:18	___ Joshua 1:8
___ Matt. 15:13	___ Revelations 2:6	___ Proverbs 18:22

Part 1 – Synthetic vs. Authentic

- The most important leadership principle in the world is based on the seed principle. Psalm 127:1; John 15:5

- Everything born of _____ is flesh (man-made/synthetic).
*Fool's gold shines, but has no value.

- Everything born of the _____ is spirit (God-made/authentic).

Let's make an irrevocable decision to be authentic!

Part 2 – The Test of the Authentic

- Matthew 7:15-20; 12:33; Psalm 1:1-2
 - ✓ The test of the authentic is in the _____.
 - ✓ Authentic can be reproductive.
 - ✓ We reproduce what we are, not what we _____.

- What are the differences between synthetic and authentic?

Part 3 – How to Become Authentic

- Start with a planted seed.
 - ✓ Every authentic ministry begins with a _____ that is planted (Matt. 13:31; John 12:24; 15:8).
 - ✓ Jesus was God's planted seed.
 - ✓ Our _____ must be planted.

- Let the seed _____.
 - ✓ Do not stunt growth.
 - ✓ Provide an environment to grow (you will only grow as large as your environment).
 - ✓ Unless the church keeps growing, expanding and developing, it will level off and die.

- Keep Jesus as the true source of your growth (Psalm 127:1).

Discussion: Are you authentic or synthetic? What steps could you take this week to be more authentic in your leadership?