



Moses Part 3:

Leading For God

Today's Sermon:

**The Perils of Leadership—
Discouragement and Depression**

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(Numbers 11:10-17 NIV)

¹⁰Moses heard the people of every family wailing at the entrance to their tents. The LORD became exceedingly angry, and Moses was troubled

Leadership brings frustration

¹¹He asked the LORD, “Why have you brought this trouble on your servant? What have I done to displease you that you put the burden of all these people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth? Why do you tell me to carry them in my arms, as a nurse carries an infant, to the land you promised on oath to their ancestors? ¹³Where can I get meat for all these people? They keep wailing to me, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ ¹⁴I cannot carry all these people by myself; the burden is too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is how you are going to treat me, please go ahead and kill me —if I have found favor in your eyes—and do not let me face my own ruin.”

A cry for help

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Sometimes more than you can handle

¹⁶The LORD said to Moses: “Bring me seventy of Israel’s elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with you.

God responds to the plea

Help was already there

¹⁷I will come down and speak with you there, and I will take some of the power of the Spirit that is on you and put it on them.

God ordains the support team

They will share the burden of the people with you so that you will not have to carry it alone.”

They share the burden