

Back Stage Pass: Behind the Curtain of Christ-like Leadership

John 10:10; Genesis 37:28; 1 Samuel 16:11; Esther 2:7

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“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” John 10:10

Our Lord Jesus speaks about age-old challenges that face every human being, identifying the raw nature of our adversary and modeling leadership that elicits hope toward life overflowing.

- I. Jesus reveals the ultimate plan of the thief (John 10:10a)
 - a. Jesus reveals that the thief is determined to steal your joy
 - b. Jesus reveals that the thief is determined to kill your dreams
 - c. Jesus reveals that the thief is determined to destroy your life
- II. Jesus is the highest level of leadership (John 10:10b)
 - a. Jesus’ leadership is about giving sacrificial protection
 - b. Jesus’ leadership is about offering hope through pain
 - i. Biblical examples of a prime minister, king, and queen
 1. Joseph (Genesis 37:28) Trauma: Human trafficking
 2. David (1 Samuel 16:11) Trauma: Neglect
 3. Hadassah (Esther 2:7) Trauma: Childhood grief
 - ii. Modern examples of two boys and a girl
 1. Dutch . . . Known today as President Ronald Reagan
 2. Hilda . . . Known today as Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher
 3. Blythe . . . Known today as President Bill Clinton
 - iii. Present opportunities to offer hope
 1. *Anela’s Club*, the novel
 2. *Anela’s Club*, the screenplay and potential movie
 - c. Jesus’ leadership is about fulfilling humanity’s deepest longings