

THE IMPORTANCE OF DELEGATION IN THE CHURCH

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A primary responsibility of spiritual leaders in the body of Christ is to get others involved in ministry (Eph. 4:12). To do this, a leader must become a facilitator who encourages people to exercise their gifts. Remember, the greater the participation of new believers, the more they will grow as disciples of Jesus. Instead of guarding responsibilities, authority, and initiative, effective spiritual leaders delegate significant responsibilities as soon as possible.

What are some of the things the leaders can delegate to other people? In practical terms, almost everything! The spiritual development of each member provides the yardstick for assigning responsibilities. For beginners, simple tasks can be delegated. For the spiritually mature, there are very few tasks which must be reserved for the designated leaders.

As members work together and participate fully in the work of the church, new leaders are being developed and prepared who will continue the process, making and training disciples to make more disciples.