

Greeting Dr. Wes Wilson and Classmates

The Most important ingredient of Leadership

To dig into this week class assignment, I will be using an analogy of cooking. I am one who pride myself on my cooking skills. When it comes to cooking, and eating, people flock to my house, when they know that I'm cooking that day. They asked my kids, "are your dad cooking today." I am known for my "meatloaf and greens," this day, in a hurry, my meatloaf was without a certain ingredient. Time was of the essence, so I decided to use a substitute, it was close to the ingredient that I normally use. When it came to dinner time, and people began to eat my meatloaf, they knew something was different about the meatloaf. They said, "something is different about the meatloaf this time," I knew right away, what it was, so, there is no substitute for certain ingredient in anything that you do, even in life.

The most important ingredient of Leadership: In Samuel Chand book, he gives some ingredients for leadership, such as the epitome of warmth, perception, gentleness, kindness, and humor, but are those the most important ingredients. To me, after reading chapters 10-11 of Samuel Chand book, Leadership Pain, I have concluded, that the "Most important ingredient of leadership," is "Pain." For one "Pain is inevitable, yet it can be useful and even redemptive." Also, don't run from your pain, don't deny it exists." "It's the most effective leadership development tool the world has ever known. You'll grow only through the threshold of your pain, so embrace it, except it, and most important, raise it."- by Philip Yancey. Raise it High as banner of your Leadership.