

THE MOST IMPORTANT INGREDIENT OF LEADERSHIP

The most important ingredient of Leadership is pain, though pain is an unpleasant sensation and emotional experience. It is an emotional experience occurring during difficult season. Jesus Christ was emotionally moved when the time crucifixion was nearing as we read in the Bible whereby He told His father "If possible may this cup be removed".

Paul was so upset when a dispute splitted him and his close friend Barnabas (Acts 13:13 and Acts 15:38) also Job experienced a severe pain in body and the loss of his children and whole of his reaches. Pain can result into rejection, ridiculed, whipping and excommunication but God is faithful and will see us through all these.

However the pain that we go through as leaders like depression, regrets and choices makes leaders to look like failures. But God is preparing us to move on to the next assignment. So pain is inevitable or rather unavoidable for any leader especially for pastors due to the choices and decisions made for the church success. For leaders pain throws us into a gear that propels us forward into achievement also we should make peace with the pain because God sends it our way. We must recognize pain as a springboard for growth and a platform for greater effectiveness.

So as leaders one must not run from your pain and never deny it. It is the most effective leadership development tool the world have ever known. As painful as all the blows may feel, let us cling to God and trust Him.