OCTOBER 2026 CURRICULUM

Carry Less to Leave More

DEVOTION The Rest We Resist (Exodus 34:21)

We treat rest as a luxury for after the quarter closes, and then another season arrives that seems too important to step away from. The difficulty is less in our calendars than in our grip on the illusion of self-sufficiency. God wove Sabbath into the Creation order and gave it to a people He had freed from slavery. Rest is the posture of those who are no longer slaves. Stopping for a full day acknowledges that God is in control and we are not.

BUSINESS The Reductive Mindset

Most of us are frustrated by the bloat we help create in the companies we lead, one good initiative approved at a time until the weight starts to slow everything down. Juliet Funt names the alternative a reductive mindset, which reclaims capacity through strategic deselection rather than reordering or polishing what we already carry. The Spin Launcher turns that mindset into a repeatable process for naming what to cut. Faithful stewardship of the capacity entrusted to us means pruning what no longer advances the mission.

Learning Objectives:

- Adopt strategic reduction as a leadership discipline.
- Apply the Spin Launcher to name at least one specific thing to stop doing.
- Establish a personal rhythm of strategic reduction.

MINISTRY Leaving a Leadership Legacy

Someone else will eventually hold our title and tell the story of our leadership. We are writing that story now, less in defining moments than in ordinary decisions repeated over time. The character we are becoming, the people we develop, the culture we reinforce, and the Kingdom influence we steward are four investments that compound. Succession transfers leadership, but legacy multiplies influence, much as Paul's investment in Timothy carried through generations of faithful leaders. What remains is not what we accumulated but the people who experience Jesus more fully because of how we led.

Learning Objectives:

- Understand how faithful stewardship shapes a lasting legacy.
- Assess the daily investments that will strengthen their character, people, culture, and Kingdom influence.
- Identify one next step to begin building the legacy they hope to leave.