

## Delegation of Authority

Moses: God's Man In Difficult Times

## A Visit From Jethro

- Ex.18:1-12 – Jethro comes to visit
- Israel now camped at the Mountain of God 18:5
- He brought his family – 5
- Moses told Jethro the story of the deliverance and the challenges along the way – 8,9
- Jethro praised Jehovah and brought offerings – 10-12
- Jethro observed a day in the life of Moses -13
- Jethro asked appropriate questions -14

## A Time For Change In Management

- Moses explains the size of his responsibilities -15-16
- Moses desire was for the people to know God's ways
- Jethro speaks a warning – 17,18
- Jethro offers Correction -19
- Be their spiritual leader, teacher and intercessor 19-20
- Look for men of godly character and integrity to act as judges for common cases -21-22
- Difficult cases they bring to the Supreme court 26

## A Time For Change In Management

- Parallel passage in Num.11:16f
- There are those who believe this was a mistake on Moses part. Num.11 indicates it was God's idea
- It was the process of change where God speaks and works through "the many" and not just "the one"
- I have pastored churches where I played the role of Moses
- This church has had this type of leadership team since I came. In 2012 it was changed to our present structure.

## Principles of Leadership

1. God uses people to do His work.
2. When the tasks become too much for person God originally called, He calls others to work with them
3. God will equip and empower the helpers as much as He did the first person he called. Num.11:25
4. God still holds the first person responsible for the work done by the others

## Principles of Leadership

- Jesus called and empowered the 12 to do what He was doing. Jhn.14:12 "...greater works than these..."
- In Acts 6 the disciples appointed the 7, so they could stay focused on Prayer and the ministry of the word
- In 1Cor.12 says there is one body many members and each member has its responsibility for the function of the body – 12:7,14,27
- 7- To **EACH** is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.