The Power of Appreciation

An expression of gratitude, a thankful recognition of the quality, value or significance of a person or their work. Coming from the Latin word "appraise" — to set a price — it means to esteem or value highly.

Culture as Soil

Learned and shared patterns of thought and behavior characteristic of a given group. The total way of life of a people. Values that build the people within the influence of a culture. To cultivate something into the soil.

10 Actions

Ten specific practices for building appreciation into the DNA of a team — from the power of words and active listening to embracing diversity and loving the difficult person.

SERMON SUMMARY

Building a Culture of Appreciation

Everyone wants to be on a winning team, make this life count, love and be loved. You can't see clearly until you appreciate fully. Good leaders look for people's potential. They don't focus on people's flaws.

You don't need a PhD in psychology to be a good leader, but you do need to know people and the basic laws of leading people. Appreciating people is one of the foundational laws. It can't be ignored. It is more than thanking people, although it involves that.

Appreciation is doing everything in your power as a leader to indicate your approval of, acclaim for, praise of, and appreciation for the contributions of every person within the team, especially within your scope of people.