A Newton's cradle with five metal spheres hanging from thin wires against a dark, blurred background. The central sphere is in sharp focus, while the others are slightly out of focus, creating a sense of depth and motion.

4 Questions to Jump Start Momentum

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Definition of Momentum.

Momentum is the force that's greater than the sum of all leadership, strategy, and resources combined.

THE *News*

1

If you have momentum in your leadership there is no guarantee that you'll keep it.

2

Good News

If you do not have momentum in your leadership you can get it.

3

Better News

You can ride momentum and you can sustain it.

ASK *yourself*

1. In leadership, does momentum last forever?
The answer is no it does not.

2. By nature should momentum continue once it starts? The answer is yes.

If you have organizational momentum you should keep it unless something happens.

1

LEADERS DON'T ANTICIPATE IT.

The difference between a good leader and a great leader is one who learns to anticipate rather than react.

What should you be anticipating:

1. Problems - See them before they are big.
2. Possibilities - Seize them before they are real
3. People - See the potential in people that others overlook.

2

LEADERS COMPLICATE IT.

When you grow bigger, naturally the organization gets more complex. Growth creates complexity and complexity kills growth. Simplicity is momentum's best friend.

3

LEADERS DON'T UNDERSTAND IT.

Many of us answer the question, "Why is your ministry growing?" with the answer, God is blessing it. That is great but He is blessing a certain action. You need to know that action!

Discern why you have momentum - ask yourself these 3 questions.

1. What is present that's contributing to the momentum?
2. Who is strategic in creating and sustain the momentum?
3. What are you doing that is working?

If You don't anticipate it, if you complicate it, if you don't understand it, you'll disrupt it or destroy it.

4 Questions to ask to jump-start momentum.

1

Do you need an inward burst of momentum?

Whatever is inside of the leader will always show up inside the organization. Are you operating out of an overflow? You cannot pour from an empty cup. You will never attract more than you are. Leadership without passion is just management and management never changed the world. Momentum tends to follow those who are already moving fast.

2

Do you need to make a leadership change?

You rarely see big momentum under small-minded leaders.
You rarely see forward movement under problem finders not problem solvers.
You never see self-less and passionate contributors under self-centered and selfish leader.

3

Do you need to reallocate resources?

Instead of thinking better – think different. Momentum is movement – think fluid not static. Move resources away from what's producing marginal results toward what has potential for maximal results. You must have the courage to disrupt what is, to create the potential of what could be.

4

Do you need to be willing to do something that you have been unwilling to do?

Is there something about you that needs to change, is there something in you that needs to change, is there something you need to do that you haven't done? You are the only one that can answer these questions.

What fuels momentum?



What kills momentum?



5 STEPS TO CUTTING YOUR BATTLES

01

Identified any forces that may be killing your momentum

02

Reminded yourself what you're most passionate about.

03

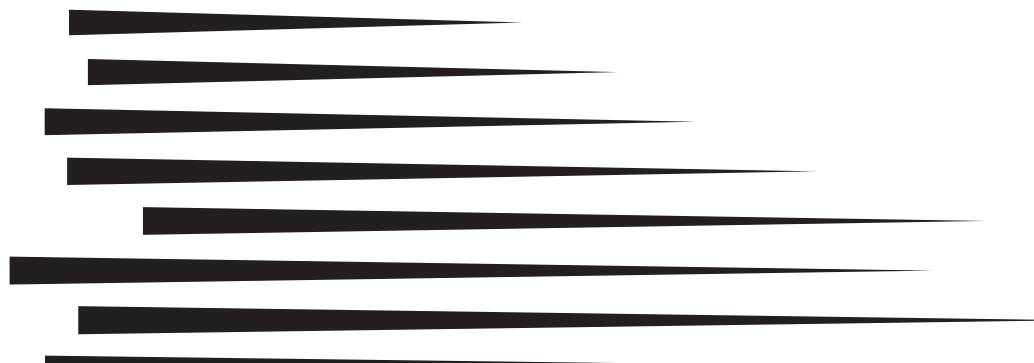
Evaluate if you need to make any personnel changes.

04

Decide to reallocate resources to areas with highest potential.

05

Make up your mind to do the hard, right thing you've been avoiding.



Momentum can be a leader's best friend, but the lack of momentum can be a leader's worst enemy.



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