



Values and Leadership

Food for Thought

"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you." John 15:12 (NIV)

As Christians, we are called to love others. While love may look different from one context to another, it should be an essential part of who we are. Whether at home, at work or anywhere in between.

On Valentine's Day, a couple of weeks ago, I asked my four-year-old son what it means to love someone. He thoughtfully replied, "it means you are nice to them; you help them, and you make them supper."

While I am not insisting you make supper for your team, I do encourage you to take my son's simple advice. Be kind to others and offer your support. When employees feel valued and cared for, it can encourage a deeper commitment to what they do and a more meaningful connection with the mission.

In the News

[What does the Bible have to say about leadership?](#)

"Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." Romans 12:10 (NIV). We are called to love others. By allowing scripture to guide us, it enables us to integrate the wisdom of the Bible into how we lead.

[Why the best leaders make love a top priority](#)

In this video and follow up interview, Matt Tenney discusses the importance of leading with love. By prioritizing people, it creates a stronger organizational culture and in turn, leads to greater success.

[Leadership and the languages of love](#)

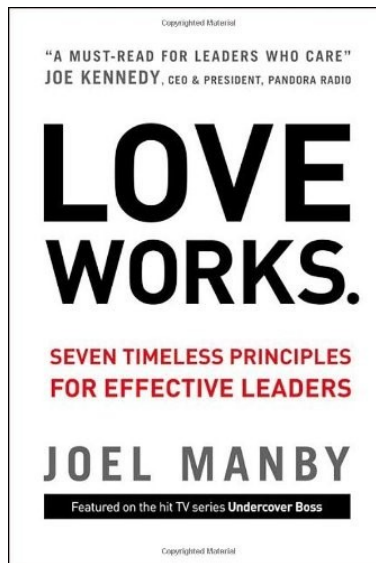
People want to feel valued. However, what makes one person feel valued may be different for someone else. Understanding someone's love language can help you become a better leader and your followers will thank you.

[Why leaders should love their team members](#)

In this *Forbes* article, Kevin Eikenberry suggests that leaders should in fact love their team members by implementing practical ways to show your employees they are valued. After all, "love is a verb."

[Let's talk about love and leadership](#)

Norms have suggested that there is no place for love in business. However, to have honest interactions with others we must, “bring love into our workspaces, communities, conversations and new connections.”



From our Shelves

In his book, *Love Works*, Joel Manby provides practical principles for leading with love. That means, love is not just a word, it's an action that requires intentionality. When we allow love in our workplaces, it builds healthier connections, greater collaboration, increased engagement and an all-around better place to work.

Love Works: Seven Principles for Effective Leaders

Joel Manby
Zondervan (2012)



Above are articles and items in the news that we've come across that are themed to organizational leadership, values and ethics.

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