

The 12 Qualities of a Leader

MOPS International values personal and spiritual growth—as a mother, a woman and MOPS leader. Our goal is to grow toward maturity, so we can lead others in the same direction. To encourage and equip you to reach your potential as you follow the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19) and to help you select future MOPS leaders, these are the qualities MOPS leaders seek to develop.

A MOPS Leader Is . . .

1. **Christian:** A MOPS leader has faith in Jesus Christ, and follows him in all areas of her life—That if you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10:9
2. **Called:** A MOPS leader recognizes that God has summoned her to a position of influence and submits herself to that call—Then he said to them all: “Those who would be my disciples must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.” Luke 9:23
3. **Christ-like:** A MOPS leader is intentional about growing godly character as expressed in Scripture and evidenced by behavior and attitudes—But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23
4. **Courageous:** A MOPS leader chooses to persevere even in the face of challenges—Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord. Psalm 31:24
5. **Accountable:** A MOPS leader is willing to accept responsibility to God, to others and to herself—So then, we will all give an account of ourselves to God. Romans 14:12
6. **Servant:** A MOPS leader serves those she leads—Not so with you, instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave—just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. Matthew 20:26-28
7. **Growing:** A MOPS leader has a teachable spirit and takes responsibility for growing toward personal and spiritual maturity—Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:6
8. **Hopeful:** A MOPS leader knows Jesus as her source of hope and points others to him—Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. 1 Peter 3:15
9. **Gracious:** A MOPS leader receives others willingly with a generous spirit—Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you in order to bring praise to God. Romans 15:7
10. **Authentic:** A MOPS leader knows and accepts herself and is honest about her strengths and weaknesses in her relationships with others—For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. Romans 12:3
11. **Adaptable:** A MOPS leader embraces and manages change—To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. 1 Corinthians 9:22
12. **Humble:** A MOPS leader recognizes her dependence upon God and others—All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.” 1 Peter 5:5-6