Top 10 Guidelines For Successful Worship Leaders

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Here are my **Top 10** guidelines for successful worship ministry. I have been leading worship teams for 30 years but I still go back to this list to see what I need to work on!

Drum roll please….Let's start with #10



10. Never stop growing

- Are you practicing your singing and playing on a daily basis?
- Are you taking lessons and improving your craft and leadership?
- Are you changing and growing with the new trends, styles and songs?

9. Develop your organizational and admin skills

- Are you writing (or buying) great charts for your band?
- Are you running organized and productive rehearsals?
- Are you creating timely schedules for your musicians and planning ahead on the church calendar?

8. Keep working on a good relationship with your pastor

- Do you have a weekly meeting with your pastor?
- Are you supporting your pastor in private and public?
- Have you ever had your pastor and his wife over for dinner?

7. Mentoring is one your most important jobs

- Are you looking for and developing the potential leaders on your team?
- Are you giving room for new leaders to lead a song or worship time?
- Jesus spent over 3 years developing His team, are you following His example?

6. Develop a great team

- Do you have a system for bringing along new musicians?
- Are you developing multiple musicians for each position?
- How are you helping your team grow spiritually?

5. Learn to pick great worship songs

- Are you teaching your congregation the great songs from around world?
- Do you ever go outside your preferences in musical styles?
- Are you developing a balanced repertoire of fast, medium and slow songs?

4. Be a great worshipper

- Are you keeping it real? Be authentic, are you the same on and off the stage?
- Are there areas in your life that are holding you back from God's richest blessings?
- Do you love the Lord with all your heart and are you a passionate worshipper?

3. Love the church like Jesus loves the church

- Are you building God's kingdom or yours?
- Do you love the people you are leading?
- Jesus laid down his life for us, are you willing to lay down your life?

2. Love your spouse and family

- Are you carving out regular time in your schedule for your spouse and family?
- Are you taking one day off per week?
- When is the last time you had a date with your spouse?

1. Love and spend time with God daily

- Are you reading your Bible daily?
- When is the last time you memorized a Bible passage?
- How is your prayer life? Are you praying and obeying?

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