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## Leadership Principles from 2Thessalonians

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### Acknowledge Them (Engage Others)

Though we all sometimes need correction, we also need acknowledgement for what we are doing well. Notice how Paul praised the Thessalonians for growing in faith and patience ([2The 1:3-4](#)) before he corrected their wrong thinking. Even more noteworthy is that Paul didn't just commend them, he thanked God for them. How often do you balance the way you correct others by thanking God for the good that you find in them?

### Encourage Them (Engage Others)

In our world, there is so much destruction, injustice, and godlessness that it sometimes seems easier to compromise with the world than challenge it. Despair comes easily. Discouragement seeps into our souls. Consider Paul's example of encouraging others ([2The 2:13-15](#)). Leader, how can you use Paul's example to encourage those around you?