



MONDAYS

with Mike

Stop trying to lead!

I had the opportunity to hear Craig Groeschel speak at the Hall of Fame Village on February 22. Craig is the founder and senior pastor of Life Church, as well as a leadership speaker. His message was built around the statement, "Stop trying to lead."

He broke this down in the following way:

"Trying" to lead creates inconsistency and minimal commitment. Such statements as the following are often heard:

- I tried to attack that problem, but to no avail.
- I tried to lose weight, but I just could not do it.
- I tried to change the culture, but it was such a challenge.

We get occasional accomplishment or results.

"Training" to lead creates consistency and a commitment to a specific result. The following are examples of training:

- I will create a running program before I attempt a 5K race.
- I will design a leadership program to build my skills before I attempt a major leadership or strategic direction.
- I will design a meeting routine that will guide my leadership team to a desired result.

We get measurable results and an energy of what we will do!

This week, let's direct our mindset and work toward who we are as a committed leader and then chart the course for the desired results. Let's stop trying to lead and begin to train to lead. Said another way, let's run the leadership race with a purpose in every step!

Have a great start to the month of March!