LEADERSHIP BY ATTRACTION By J. Kevin McHugh

(The One Thing That Changes Everything)

What would it mean if YOU practiced Leadership by Attraction?

There's just something about YOU. Within minutes of meeting YOU, every person naturally feels:

instantly at ease.

drawn toward you immediately.

you have a calm, caring, peaceful demeanor, but are strong, especially in crisis.

they can be consistently open, honest and transparent with you.

there is never a hidden agenda or the need to guess how you feel.

they can challenge and disagree with you as there is no fear of defensiveness or retribution.

great respect and admiration for the way you treat others, no matter where they fall on the power or socio-economic scale.

you apply intellect, knowledge, skill and experience for the good of others.

you possess strength, confidence and conviction without being egotistical.

Benefits of Leadership by Attraction

- People become committed to you and will follow you anywhere.
- Critical discussions go faster, and better decisions are made more quickly.
- People will go the extra mile to support your vision, strategy and initiatives.
- People are completely honest about their thoughts and feelings concerning ideas and issues.
- People love sharing their new ideas, causing innovation and creativity to flourish.
- People try new approaches, take risks, own their mistakes and promptly fix them.
- People won't want to let you down.
- You will spend less time managing people issues.
- People will feel empowered to solve problems before coming to you.
- Every aspect of your business moves faster with no more second guessing.
- Negativity and passive aggressive behaviors are reduced or eliminated.
- Trusting relationships develop more quickly and at a deeper level.
- Upcoming leaders want to emulate you which builds team bench strength.

Obstacles to Practicing Leadership by Attraction Inhibiting Factors - Knowledge | Beliefs | Time | Techniques | Fear

You must start with yourself - improve self-awareness, self-connection, self-honesty, self-understanding. Test your level of interest in yourself... Are you:

- interested in human psychology and behavior, especially your own?
- highly curious about why you react the way you do?
- exploring, mapping and understanding your childhood upbringing?
- ceaselessly examining your emotional hard-wiring and emotional triggers?
- learning how to listen to your first reactions and thoughts and control them as you learn more about where they come from and why?
- realizing, accepting and fully owning that your disconnection with another person includes the part you play, without blaming, shaming or projecting onto others?
- quick to repair a broken relationship connection, recover quickly and take the first step?
- rarely having to explain or say, "I'm sorry, that wasn't my intention"?
- taking time to understand the lives and challenges of your parents and grandparents?
- interested in knowing what motivates you and longing to understand it?
- focused on setting and maintaining high trust relationships with others?
- realizing there are still things you don't know about yourself and respecting that the process of moving from unconscious to conscious is a lifetime endeavor?

Self-Awareness is not static. It is not an end-state to achieve. It is an ongoing process of self-examination leading to self-discovery.

SELF-AWARENESS EXERCISE

Pick a person with whom you have an important, longstanding and valued relationship. Make a list of things that person does that annoy you... things that "trigger" you enough to cause an argument. Be intentionally judgmental. DO NOT SHOW IT TO THEM. This is for you.

Now review the list - "If you spot it, you got it."

<u>Every item is a clue to something about you that you need to examine, revisit, relive and admit exists. Ask yourself, "Why do I react so viscerally to these behaviors in others?"</u> This exercise should cause you to reflect on how you were raised, and to events in your life that shaped you. As a child, you did what was necessary to get love and avoid pain. These actions are burned into the psyche. It takes intention, desire and a long-term commitment to become conscious of these factors and the stories that go with them. Learning about your emotional triggers is an important step in building self-awareness.

No Skills, Training or Techniques Will Overcome Deep Emotional Trigger and Beliefs. Self-Awareness is Required. . . It's the One Thing That Changes Everything.

THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF BECOMING A LEADER BY ATTRACTION.