



## **Broadway MBC - Tree Of Life Inspirational Word**

**Ezekiel 3:16-17 ESV**

**And at the end of seven days, the word of the LORD came to me: [17] "Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me.**

**Former First Lady of the United States Rosalynn Carter once said this: "A leader takes people where they want to go. A great leader takes people where they don't necessarily want to go, but ought to be."**

**That is a true statement, and as the Church it is important to understand that the Leader God gives, is the one that God has instructed and placed within that the Leader the charge to lead the people where He wants them to be. Leadership is always about giving the people hope, inspiration, and building up their spirits!**

**Too often people think they want to be leaders, but they don't want to spend time getting to know people that they are charged to lead! God can't use a stubborn or selfish person to lead His people, but in leadership the Lord will use the leader of His choice to preach, teach, serve, instruct, and to do exactly what the Lord says!**

**Leadership is like running a race, you don't just settle for 2nd place when you really can get 1st place. The Church should never settle when it can do more, and more than that as the leader it is important to have a spirit of high faith when leading God's people. Leadership can have its ups and downs, but nothing great is worth having without having some challenges!**

**You can't be a great leader with no courage! An orange won't produce orange juice until it is squeezed, and that is how the Lord uses the Leader that the Leader will be great and will take the Church higher and forward when God squeezes us to make great juice!**

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