

Spiritual Leadership
(Moving People On To
God's Agenda)

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PREFACE:

Some leaders are successful no matter what challenge they take on, while others suffer chronic failure and mediocrity.



All organizations have potential for growth and success; the key is effective leadership.



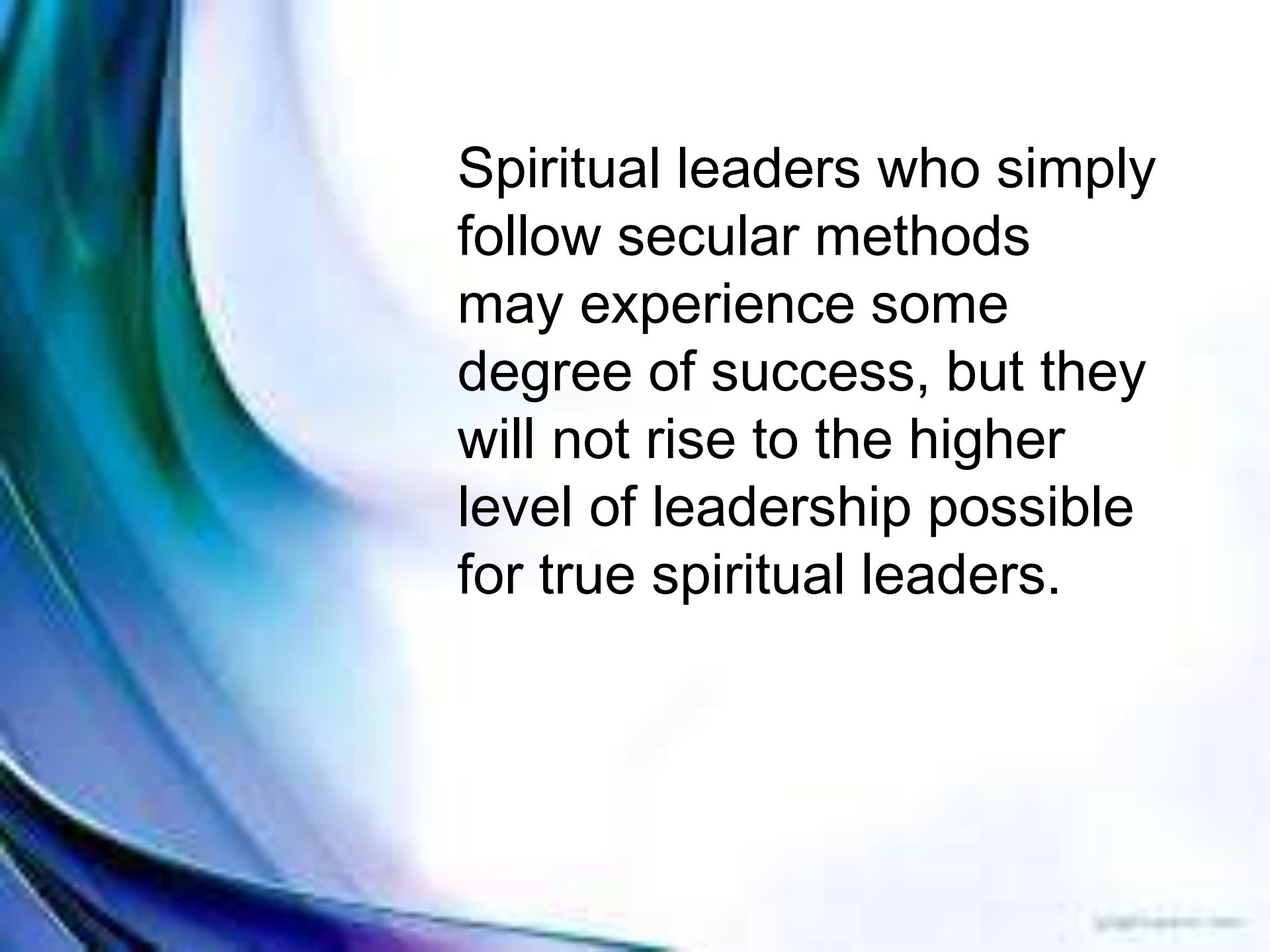


The world is disoriented to what makes a truly successful leader. The Bible has much to say to leaders. We have scrutinized the lives of effective leaders in light of God's Word. In doing so, we identified several clear, biblical principles that lead to effective leadership.

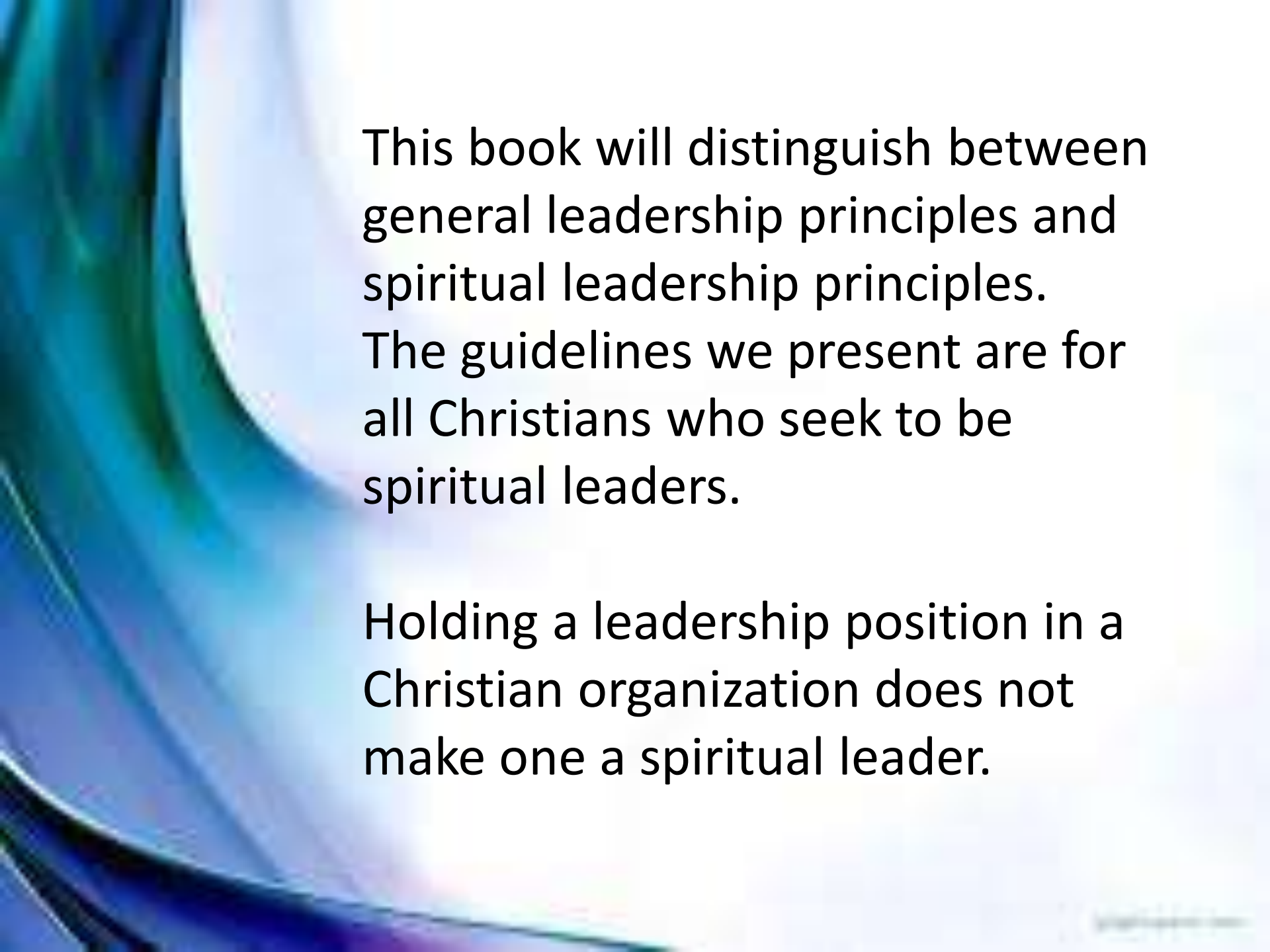
Those who apply
God's methods of
leadership have
profound results.

Bookstore shelves overflow with leadership theories. We believe crucial leadership truths are being overlooked. Many Christian leaders are reading secular books and accepting their teachings uncritically.

Much secular leadership theory is based on presuppositions that may appear sound yet promote ideas contrary to Scripture. They leave God out!



Spiritual leaders who simply follow secular methods may experience some degree of success, but they will not rise to the higher level of leadership possible for true spiritual leaders.



This book will distinguish between general leadership principles and spiritual leadership principles. The guidelines we present are for all Christians who seek to be spiritual leaders.

Holding a leadership position in a Christian organization does not make one a spiritual leader.

Spiritual
leadership is not
an occupation....
it is a calling.

More and more people in “secular” occupations are taking their calling as spiritual leaders seriously, and they are impacting the world and extending God’s kingdom.

Only when we understand leadership in light of God’s calling on our lives will we be equipped to lead effectively.

God is not necessarily looking
for leaders, He is
looking for servants.
(Isa. 59:16; Ezek. 22:30)

When God finds men and women willing to be molded into His servants, the possibilities are limitless.



People are looking for
someone to lead them into
God's purposes God's way.



People will follow spiritual
leaders who understand
God's agenda & who know
how to move them on to it.



Accept the challenge to be that man or woman God is seeking to use. Experience the incredible joy and satisfaction of knowing God is using your life as His instrument to build His kingdom and to change the world.

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Chapter 1: The Leadership Challenge

Leadership: The Challenge

a. Those called to lead can find doing so a daunting task. Those expected to follow can experience frustration when their leader is unable to lead and their organization seems to be going nowhere.



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b. If anything can revolutionize today's Christian leaders, it is when Christians understand God's design for spiritual leaders.



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c. Past leaders had certain times in their day when they were inaccessible to people. During such times they could reflect on their situation and make decisions about their next course of action.





d. Technology has made today's leaders constantly and instantly accessible. With such access, people often expect immediate responses.

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e. Leaders wanting to improve their skills and expand their knowledge base have virtually limitless opportunities to enhance their leadership skills.





e. However, such a bombardment of information, much of which is contradictory, can cause leaders to become cynical.



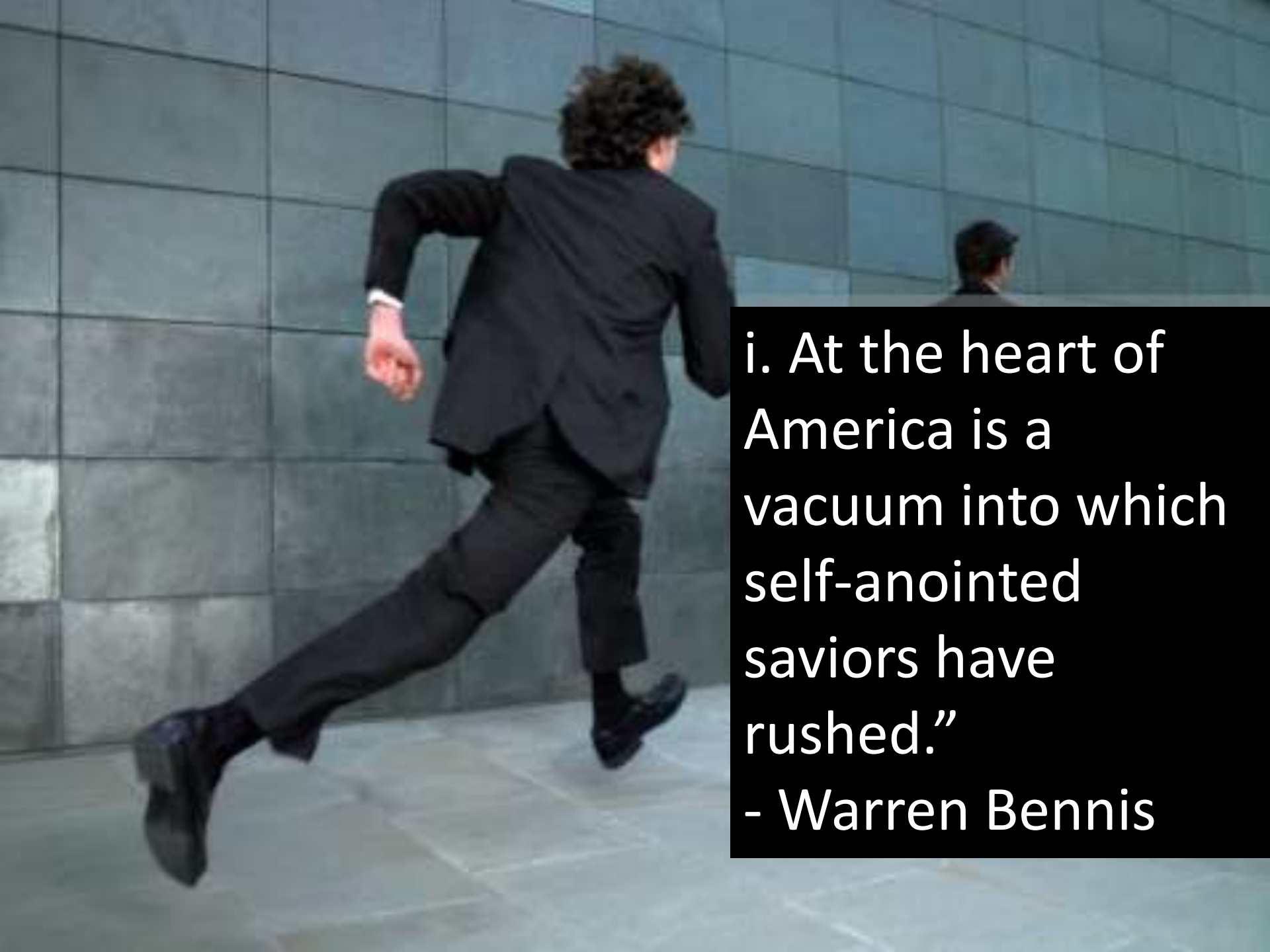
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g. No wonder so many leaders express the frustration of always feeling hopelessly behind.






h. The realities noted above put enormous pressures on today's leaders.



i. At the heart of America is a vacuum into which self-anointed saviors have rushed.”

- Warren Bennis



j. Our world craves good leaders. The problem is not a shortage of willing leaders. The problem is an increasingly skeptical view among followers as to whether these people can truly lead. People are warily looking for leaders they can trust.



To be continued...
NEXT: Leadership in Politics