

11 Quotes to Highlight from African Christian Leadership

1. "The remarkable expansion of Christianity in Africa in the context of massive social challenges has created unprecedented opportunities for leadership by Christians."

Robert J. Priest

2. "Effective African leaders should know how the system within which they are working operates in order to identify gaps and propose policies that are guided by godly principles."

David Ngaruiya

3. "...if we are to make sense of leadership in African communities and to recommend the formation of new leaders, it is important to take to heart the unique contexts in which people grow and to invest in such contexts toward the formation of future leaders."

Wanjiru M. Gitau

4. "Leaders, to be successful, must be able to draw on, direct, and make use of significant amounts of social capital."

Steven D. H. Rasmussen

5. "In such vulnerable situations leaders have been forced to rely fully on God, and this has led to a deepening of their relationship with God. This is arguably also why so many interpret the conflict as being in the will of God."

Elisabet le Roux and Yolande Sandoua

6. "Maintaining religious identity in the face of powerful secularizing forces is a challenge for Christian organizations."

Michael Bowen

7. "Africa has had its fair share of injustices, of which gender inequality is but one. Thus, priority is often given to addressing injustices like colonial oppression, racial discrimination, and tribal marginalization, rather than gender inequality."

Truphosa Kwaka-Sumba and Elisabet le Roux

8. "Successful mentors and leaders have the distinction of being accessible. Accessibility provides the womb in which servant leadership can grow and develop."

H. Jurgens Hendriks

9. "The flourishing of African Christian writers is essential to the long-term strength of the African church in addressing the realities that African Christians need help with."

Robert J. Priest, Kirimi Barine, and Alberto Lucamba Salombongo

10. "Trustworthy stewardship requires character but also relevant acquired skills and habits."

John Jusu

11. "When everyone involved works together in unity, this makes space for the Holy Spirit."

Mary Kleine Yehling