WHAT IS LEADERSHIP:

New Leadership Experience 2023 Day 1 Closing Stuart MacMillan, MONAT Global President

Music Needed: "Fear Is a Liar" by Zach Williams

STUART:

(ad lib on key points from day and transition to...FEAR)

I'd to end the day by talking about something that we don't always like to talk about:

FEAR.

SLIDE: FEAR



Everything we're equipped with – motivation, knowledge, resources, people...won't lead us to our full potential if FEAR gets in the way.

But the beautiful thing about fear is, it will only get in the way IF WE LET IT.

The great Zig Ziglar famously said,

SLIDE: ZIG ZIGLAR QUOTE



"Fear has two meanings:

Forget Everything and Run

OR

Face Everything and Rise.

The choice is yours."

And he's right. The thing is, we ALL face fear in our lives.

And I can share a personal example.

(ad lib personal story)

Back to the present... today we shared and learned SO much. Aren't you fired up? Aren't you inspired? I know I am! (pump up audience a little)

SO much potential for everyone in this room. UNLIMITED opportunity.

BUT: We can never become the leaders we're capable of becoming if we let FEAR impede us.

Let me flip that to the positive:

We can ONLY become the leaders we're capable of becoming...and fulfill ALL of our promise...if we REFUSE to let fear impede us!

What kind of leader am I talking about? What does it mean to be a leader in MONAT?

Of course it takes commitment, knowledge, passion, tremendous energy and desire...hard work...etc.

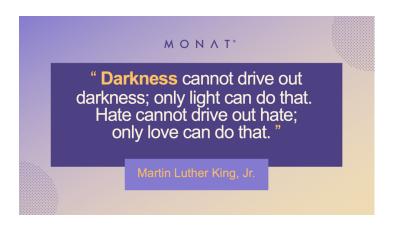
But the key ingredient I always declare is LOVE. Because being a top leader in MONAT is all about OTHERS.

I've talked about LOVE before, including at MONATions in Atlanta last fall – we even had a choir!

In MONAT, we become successful by making OTHERS successful.

And I still think Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said it best:

SLIDE: MLK QUOTE



"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

Darkness and hate are cousins of fear, aren't they? The negative elements that always threaten to get in our way.

The doubts that drain our energy and our spirit.

The pettiness and envy and selfish moments that pull us away from our real purpose.

The self-talk that tells us we can't, we won't, we aren't.

So let me ask a question: Who's had ENOUGH?

SLIDE: WHO'S HAD ENOUGH?



Let me tell you something: Tomorrow, we are going to experience something truly powerful: a full afternoon with Todd Duncan. Are you excited?

More importantly, are you READY?

Well, let me suggest that you are not REALLY for all you're about to receive tomorrow IF you're still holding onto fear.

So to end our day today, we're going to take action to drive our fear.

I want us each to name our fear, look it in the eye today, and declare, NO MORE.

To let go of whatever might be holding us back from being the best leaders we can be.

We're going to "name the enemy" – the first step in defeating it.

What's your fear? What's the ONE THING that's still there, trying to stand in your way?

We're going to write it down on a piece of paper.

Then we're going fold it up, let go of it, and see what happens.

(writing/bowl exercise)

Bowls in front.

MUSIC: Fear Is A Liar, Zach Williams









