

The Mysterious Quality Within

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At age 16, I discovered a hidden quality within my personality. Day by day, I began displaying attributes of a leader. Soon, I decided to become a youth leader in my church. Recruiting other high schoolers, I began to build a Leadership Team for the youth. Being a leader meant I must plan the events, music, practices, availability of youth, availability of space, and communication with all youth team members. For instance, our team was going to do a breakfast for the youth in a room with a kitchen, but a cooking class already had reserved the room. Quickly, I thought of another room with a kitchen next to our meeting room, which I remembered was there. The breakfast ended up being in that room. The event went smoothly. Being a leader, I work with all team members in multiple capacities to make sure the events run like clockwork, and that the youth are comfortable with the environment they are attending. In addition, I have learned how to encourage people who are nervous to show their own leadership skills and speak up front. For example, one of our team members agreed to be on our team, but not to do speaking parts, or upfront parts. I have encouraged them to try upfront parts and not to always be behind the scenes. To sum up, I discovered what a true leader is, and a mysterious quality that hid within.