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#### Review

"...a powerful message of hope, borne out of Anderson's experiences in congregational transformation..." -- Christian Management Report, Mar-Apr 2001

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Calvin Miller writes, "I used to say there were no well-written books on the subject of church leadership. Now, gratefully, there is one. A Warren Bennis, at last, for the evangelical pastor."

Peter Drucker has said that pastoring a large church is one of the three most difficult jobs in America today. Pastors are expected to be biblical scholars, business administrators, counselors, public speakers, fundraisers, visionaries, plus have a personal life that is consistent with the values of the church. It is little wonder that thousands of church leaders wonder why they ever accepted leadership responsibilities and many quit.

As a nationally recognized authority on church and parachurch leadership, Anderson brings the help and hope that leaders need in today's complex world. Shedding light on the current challenges of leadership and on mistaken leadership myths goes a long way toward putting the changes required and the complex issues to be faced is a long step in the right direction toward twenty-first-century leadership. In a "catalog culture" of multiple options, leading is perplexing and sometimes overwhelming, but Anderson's counsel is sound and practical.

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"Here is a smooth, clear guide for the needy leader, a track to run on in the troubled moment, a set of rails into a confident future."--Calving Miller, Professor of Preaching and Pastoral Ministry, Beeson Divinity School

#### About the Author

**Leith Anderson** is a graduate of Denver Seminary (M.Div.) and Fuller Theological Seminary (D.Min.). He has written twenty books and is known internationally as an author, speaker, and educator, consulting with leaders in denominations across the spectrum of Christendom. He is president of the National Association of Evangelicals and Pastor Emeritus of Wooddale Church in Eden Prairie, Minnesota.

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