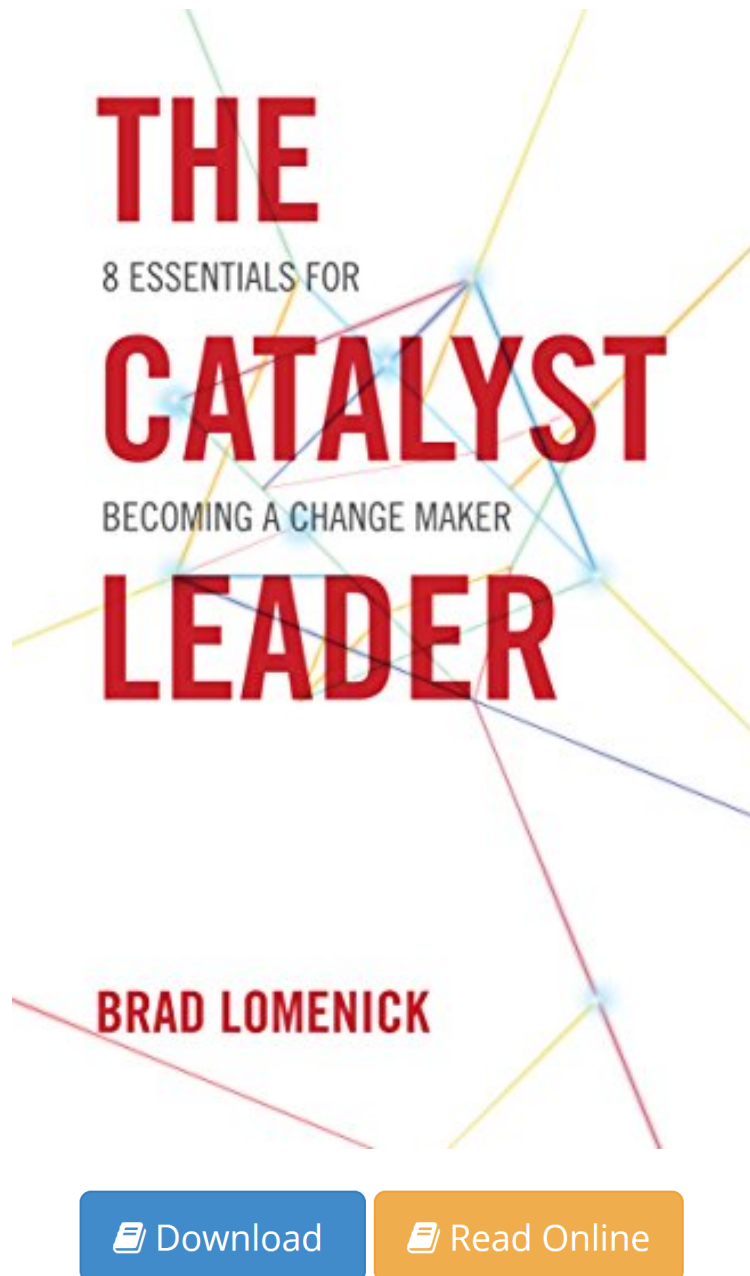


The Catalyst Leader: 8 Essentials for Becoming a Change Maker

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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Helpful Book for Leaders of All Ages reviewed by Bill Pence of CoramDeotheBlog.com By Bill Pence Brad Lomenick led and directed a movement of young leaders called Catalyst for 12 years. He is now in a strategic advisor role with Catalyst, along with several other organizations. In this book he gives us a road map, filled with stories from his experience of leading Catalyst, offering practical advice the reader can

incorporate into their life and work. Lomenick writes that becoming a catalyst leader means becoming a change maker—someone who leverages his or her influence for the betterment of the world, the collective good of others, and the greater glory of God. He states that this is possible by developing the eight essentials for becoming a change maker. Lomenick partnered with the Barna Research Group on this project. Through a series of questions, Barna was able to probe the thoughts, opinions, and passions of 1,116 self-identified Christians ages eighteen and older. The survey data is included in the appendix to the book. He begins by discussing the first essential—Called. He writes that only about one-third of Christians feel called to the work they currently do. The definition of calling that Catalyst used was: “God’s personal invitation for me to work on His agenda, using the talents I’ve been given in ways that are eternally significant.” He recommends that leaders develop “Calling Statements.” Lomenick’s calling statement is: “To influence influencers through gathering, inspiring, connecting, and equipping them to become change makers.” Lomenick discusses the eight essentials for becoming a change maker. You might be a good leader with only a few, but in order to be a true catalyst leader you need all eight. They are: 1. Called 2. Authentic 3. Passionate 4. Capable 5. Courageous 6. Principled 7. Hopeful 8. Collaborative. Lomenick includes many helpful resources throughout the book, including “8 Questions on Calling for a Year-End Review.” He ends each section with “Five Leaders You Should Know” that pertains to that particular section. He includes several profiles of leaders, and fifty change makers on the rise. I found this to be a very helpful book. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Road map for young leaders By Egil Ellingsen When Brad Lomenick and Catalyst releases a book, you can count me in. Although I’ve never been able to attend one of their conferences, I’ve had tremendous help and inspiration from their podcasts, Brad’s blogposts and other resources released from them. It’s one of the few voices I continuously listen to, because I get a rare combination of inspiration to really “go for it”, and really practical down-to-earth tools to do grow my leadership. Put in other words: my expectations for this this book was really high. And the book delivers. Brad gives us eight very clear and helpful traits of a leader that leads well and long. And he does it in a combination of personal story, wisdom gained through the catalyst movement, and a survey done among next-gen leaders. It all comes out in a way I would characterize with the two words wisdom and practical insights. I plan to buy and give this book to every young leader I invest in, and recommend you to do the same! 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. great read, good practical outputs, not for everyone By luke in seattle Brad does a great job telling his story and inspiring other leaders. A bit thick on examples, but not light on practical content. As a follower of Jesus who is from a similar cultural / faith background as the author it was easy for me to engage with the text. If one didn’t have that in common with him it may feel a bit scattered or faith heavy. Solid recommendation to young, faith oriented leaders in any discipline.

“Your legacy, regardless of where you are in your leadership journey, starts now. Leading well now means finishing well later.” - Brad Lomenick We need great leaders. More than ever we need authentic, collaborative, inspiring men and women of integrity at the helm of society- and too often our leaders fall short. Some focus on personal success, alienating those they lead. Others shift their principles when it is convenient. There is a better way. You can energize and inspire the people around you. You can equip a team of principled collaborators to answer God’s calling. You can be a catalyst leader. In *The Catalyst Leader*, Brad Lomenick describes the skills and principles that define a true change maker. This book offers eight key essentials by which a leader can influence others and make a difference, laying out the path to the keys for becoming an effective leader. Lomenick shares wisdom, practical knowledge, and stories of success and failure from his own journey of running Catalyst, one of America’s most influential leadership movements. And the lives of dozens of leaders around the world- from the creators of famous reality show to pastors, from ranch workers to a Silicon Valley designer. These men and women are living proof that good leadership inspires and innovates, while poor leadership leaves us with hopelessness and regret. Leading can be a difficult road, and many choose to follow. But you can take a better path. Begin your journey to becoming a catalyst leader.

The Catalyst Leader is a must-read for next-gen leaders who want to start strong, end strong, and change their worlds along the way.