

## **Episode Thirty-three: What Being a Great Leader Would Mean to Jesus**

Whenever we are in doubt regarding a decision about who Jesus would consider a great leader and public servant, we envision Jesus standing in front of us.

He looks us in the eye and asks:

**Are they cooperative?**

**Do they behave with accountability?**

**Do they, above all else, defend our constitutional democracy and work to protect the human rights of the majority of citizens?**

**Do they have a passion for doing the right thing?**

**Do they believe behaving with honesty is always the right thing to do?**

**Are their education and experience adequate for the position?**

**Do they welcome the personal and professional scrutiny of public service?**

**Do they voluntarily submit to and pass thorough background checks, including voluntarily providing their tax returns?**

**Are they humble?**

**Is their history one of refusing to be drawn to the dark side of power?**

**Are they devoted to seeking cooperative solutions to the challenges we face?**

**Are they mindful, intelligent, inquisitive, and respectful?**

**Are their decisions and comments fact and evidence-based?**

**Do you trust them with your children's future?**

**What has she/he done to promote peace, respect, empathy, and honesty?**

**Do they stand for justice, gender equality, inclusion, equal rights, and the other values of integrity?**

**Are they willing to do everything in their power to help lead us in making amends for the sins of abusing others?**