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Studying of Paul's Leadership and his application for

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## ABSTRACT

This research is titled "Studying of Paul's Leadership and his application for Karen Baptist Convention in Myanmar." The purpose of this paper is to understand Paul's understanding of leadership and invertible whether these characteristic can be applied to today's Karen Baptist Convention in Myanmar. The Research examines Paul's social aspect, spiritual aspect, and functional skill from his writings and his acts. It also analyzes and evaluates the situation of the leadership of Karen Baptist local churches based on Karen history books, surveys and interviews.

Concerning this paper, there are four chapters as following. Chapter one is about "The context of Paul's life." In this chapter, I focus on three civilizations and worlds which belonged to Paul's life. I focus specifically on the principles of Paul's life in Tarsus, him being a Roman citizen and a Jew as well. It is important to understand because it's all part of the context of Paul's life. Moreover, this chapter will help to understand Paul's different backgrounds since he was uniquely equipped for God's mission. So God called him to grow up in three different communities to be a great spiritual leader for God's people in that time.

Chapter Two is about "Paul's Leadership's Roles." This chapter focuses on the leadership of Paul, what qualities he had and what roles and responsibilities that he toke. This chapter will help to know Paul's the leadership roles.

Chapter Three is about "Karen Leadership Principles for Karen Baptist Churches in Myanmar." This chapter focuses on the leadership styles of Karen leaders based on both the Karen Baptist Convention and the interviews I had with Karen pastors. I interviewed three pastors in the Karen Baptist Churches to know their leadership roles and responsibilities.

Chapter Four is about "Paul's leadership compared to the leadership in Karen Baptist Local Churches in Myanmar." This chapter compares the context of Paul's leadership and the context of Karen leaders. It also focuses on the qualifications and responsibilities of Paul as compared to Karen leaders and I conclude with some recommendations.