

**“Who wants to be
Jesus’ disciple?”**

Readings:

Galatians 6:11-18

Luke 14:25-33

US SYRIA STRIKE

US launches missile strike on Syria

Civilised world must end bloodshed, says Trump

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The USS Porter fires a Tomahawk missile from the Mediterranean in retaliation for a chemical attack on Syrian civilians on Tuesday

US NAVY/AP

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Easy to tag along, but hard to follow!

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- NOT** ... an excuse to act hatefully (Exo 20:12, Mark 7:9-13)
- ... to be interpreted legally (Luke 14:12, Matt 5:29-30)
- ... just about resource allocation (Exo 20:8-11, Matt 22:36-40)

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... about what you cling to at all costs (*culture?*)

... only God can carry that burden

... loving God overflows into loving others

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Not fascism or narcissism!

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The leader who goes first! *(Luke 9 etc)*

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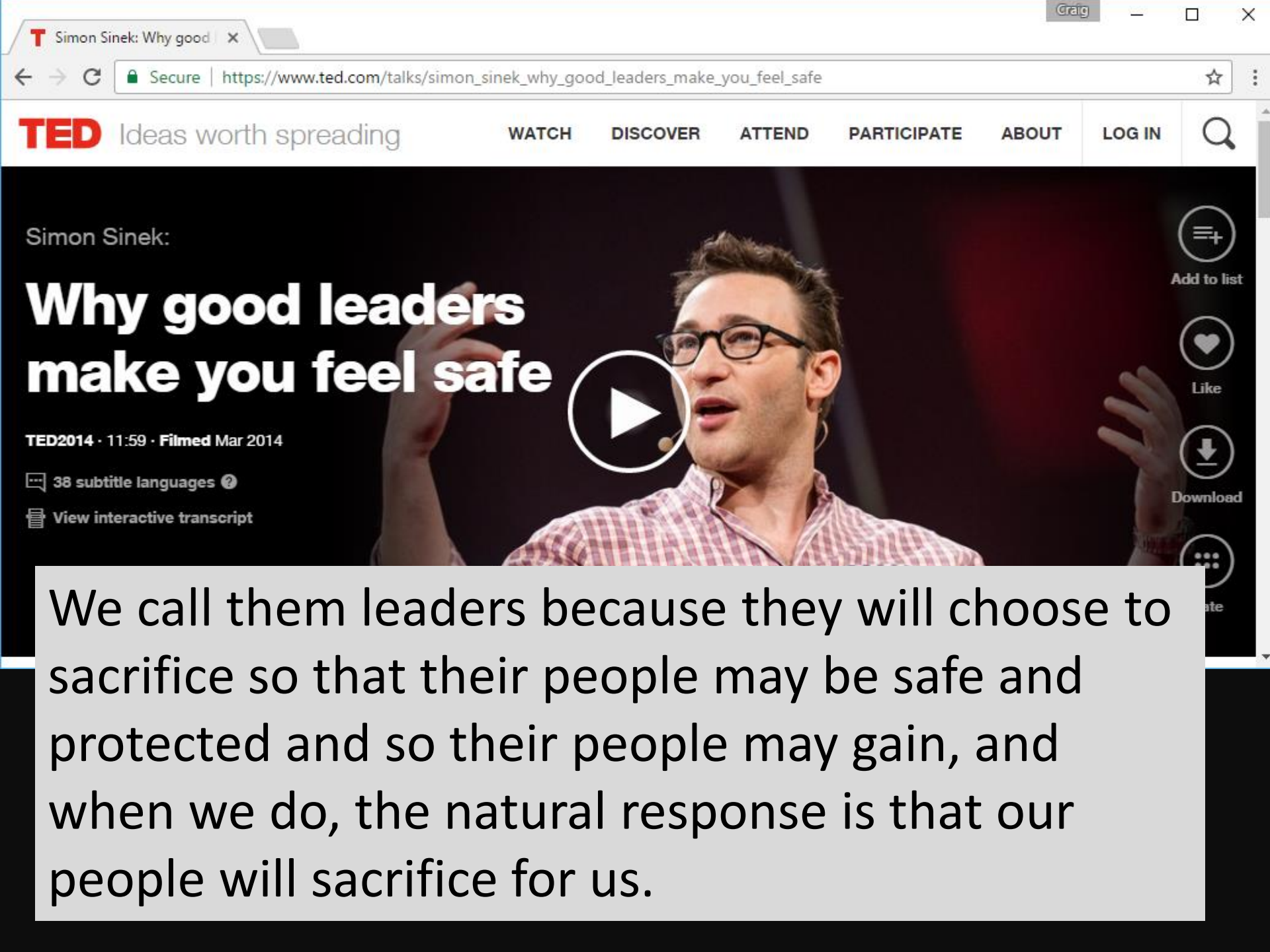
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We call them leaders because they go first. We call them leaders because they take the risk before anybody else does.



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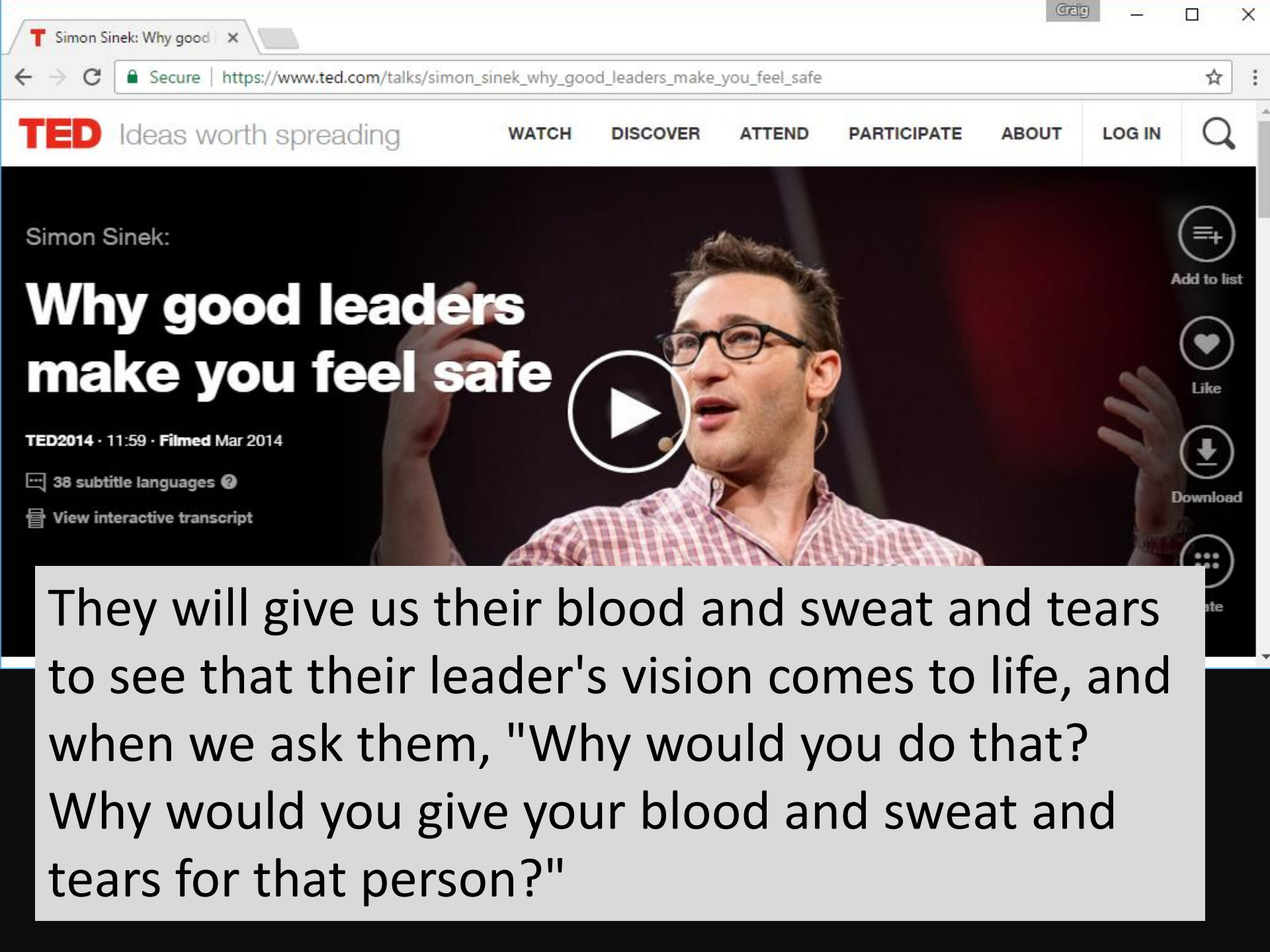
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We call them leaders because they will choose to sacrifice so that their people may be safe and protected and so their people may gain, and when we do, the natural response is that our people will sacrifice for us.

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They will give us their blood and sweat and tears to see that their leader's vision comes to life, and when we ask them, "Why would you do that? Why would you give your blood and sweat and tears for that person?"

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they all say the same thing: "Because they would have done it for me." And isn't that the organization we would all like to work in?

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... unless you choose to cling to other things...

(cf Luke 14:28-32)

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Not guilt or fear, but desire

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... so what does it look like?

(note Luke 9:23)

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... and what do you really want?