

# Fire Service Leadership Lab

## Module 3:

### Risk Management

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## Module 3 Objectives...

- ✓ Recognize Risk
- ✓ **Manage Risk**
- ✓ Mitigate Risk

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Specific Objectives...

What are your specific objectives?

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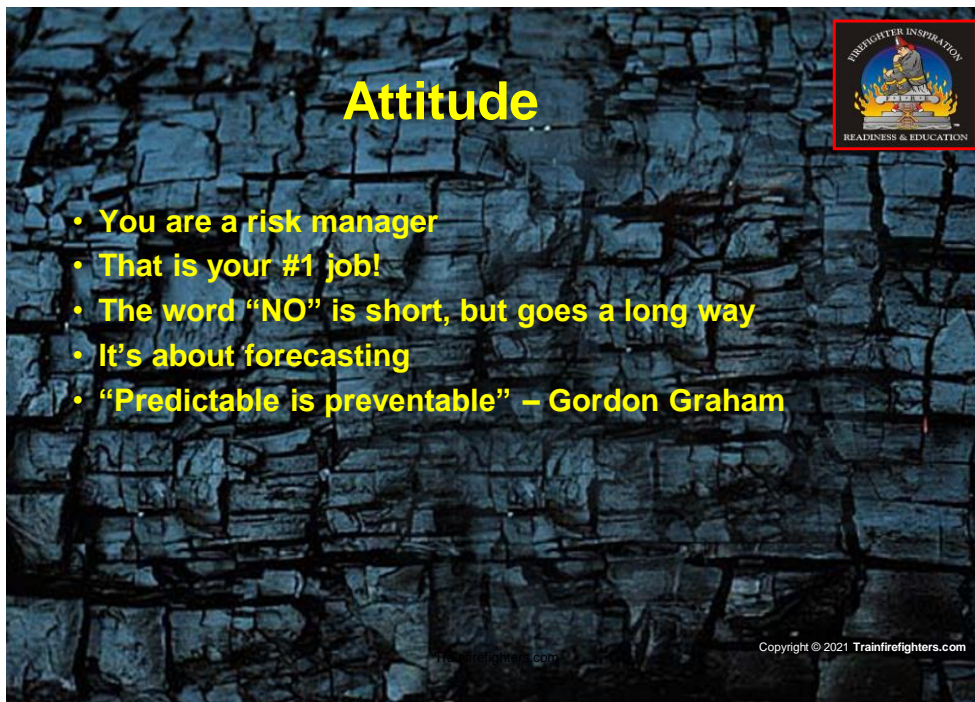
Risk is Everywhere

- Emergency Operations
- Driving
- Training
- Public Eye
- In Stations
- Off Duty



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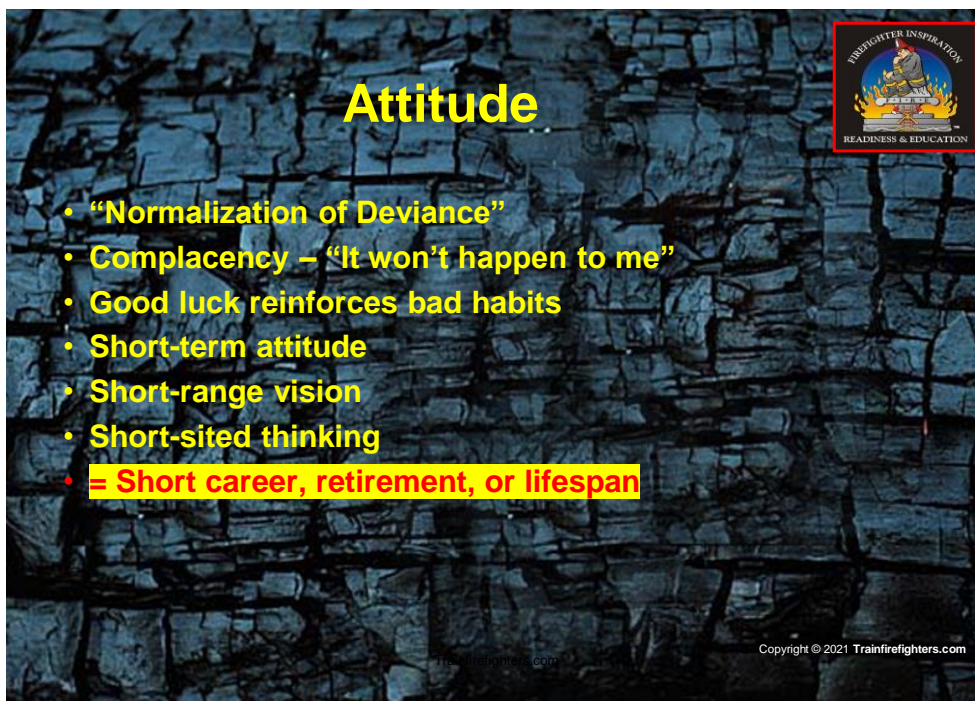
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## Attitude

- You are a risk manager
- That is your #1 job!
- The word "NO" is short, but goes a long way
- It's about forecasting
- "Predictable is preventable" – Gordon Graham

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## Attitude

- "Normalization of Deviance"
- Complacency – "It won't happen to me"
- Good luck reinforces bad habits
- Short-term attitude
- Short-range vision
- Short-sited thinking
- **= Short career, retirement, or lifespan**


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## Attitude

- Little things add up to big things
- The train whistle can be heard before you get hit, most of the time
- Tactical Gap



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## NIOSH 5

- Inadequate risk assessment
- Unclear communications
- Inaccurate accountability
- Incident Command problems
- Lack of SOG's or not following SOG's (outdated SOG's?)

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# SYMPTOMS On the Fireground

Increase in close calls  
*(Do you have a system to identify cc's?)*  
Increased vehicle accidents  
Increased FF injuries  
Increased fire losses  
Decreased PT care  
Ineffective, inefficient and inconsistent operations  
**Increased firefighter fatalities**




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# Station

- Hazing/Harassment/Coarse joking
- Not checking the rig until after breakfast/workout
- Turnouts in stations
- Uniforms and boots



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# Driving

- Too fast
- No backer
- Not trained




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# Training

- Practice like we play
- No short cuts
- Gravity, smoke and fire are still lethal





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# Public Eye

- Cell phones
- Social media
- Americans are recorded over 70 times a day. How many more are firefighters recorded???






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# Off Duty

- Drinking/DUI
- Bad behavior
- Social media
- High risk recreational activities
  - Snow boarding
  - Sky diving
  - SCUBA diving
  - Motocross
  - Mountaineering
  - Hunting





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# Diet and Fitness

- Hydration
- Stress
- Sleep depravation
- Exposure

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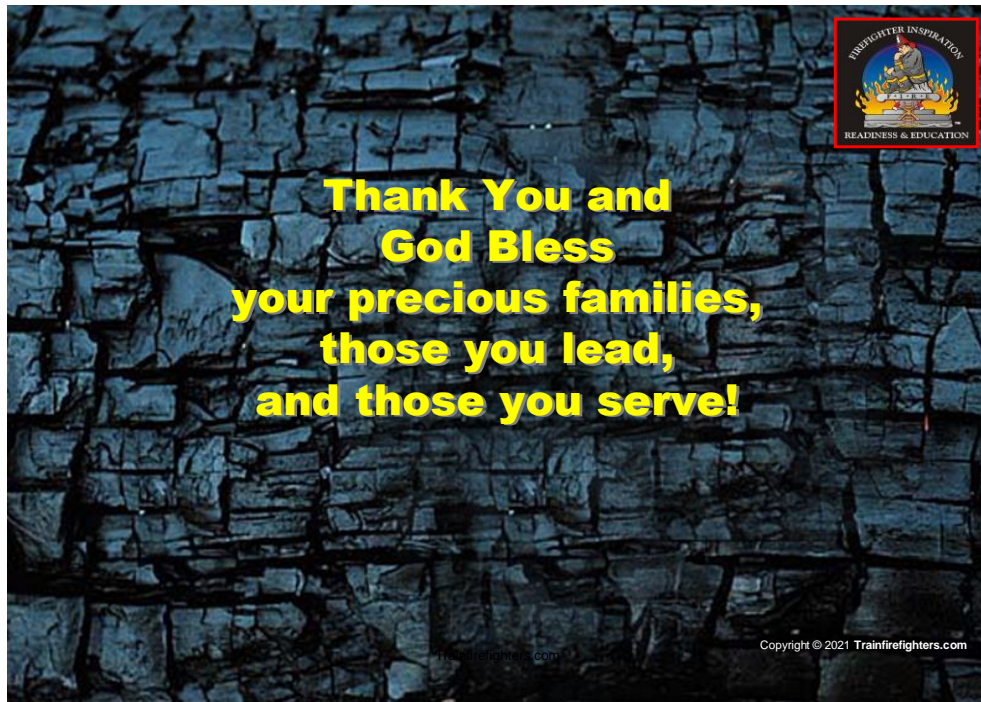
# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! EVENTS COMING UP...

- Mastering the Fire Service Assessment Center
  - Company Officer
  - Chief Officer
  - eBook Included!
  - Mastering webinars included!
- The Fire Leadership Lab – Module 4:
  - “Firefighter Generations, Types, and Tendencies”
  - September 20, 2021– 10:00AM PST
- The Command Show –
  - TBA

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