Leading by example

Staying technical as a CTO

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Make commerce better for everyone

POWERING GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

MILLIONS OF MERCHANTS

\$444+ BILLION IN GLOBAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

5 MILLION JOBS SUPPORTED IN 2021

POWERED BY THOUSANDS OF SHOPIFY ENGINEERS

PERCEPTION OF MANAGEMENT

Power, compensation, prestige

IC'S ARE COMPANY MAKERS

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INTENTIONAL LEADERSHIP

You need to love managing people

The choice

NEW SKILLS REQUIRED

Welcome to leadership

PEOPLE TAKE TIME

SAY THE THING!

5 tips to stay technical

READING IS A MUST

Read the docs and code. Get book recommendations.

CODE AS A HOBBY

Your code might not be in production, but keep coding. Use your dev tools.

PARTICIPATE IN HACKATHONS

Go outside your org to broaden horizons.

HIRE SMART
PEOPLE

It's not about knowing every technology in detail.

FIND YOUR TECH ADVISORS

Internal or external. You'll learn quickly and find new recommendations.

2 ways to make it possible

HIRE...AND HIRE WELL

Your people change your day to day.

ADDRESS
OPERATIONAL ISSUES

Bugs, outages, customer issues.

Thank you

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