Brainstorming Qualities of the Leaders

*Knights Oath:*

*Be without fear in the face of your enemies.*

*Be brave and upright s God may love thee.*

*Speak the truth even if it may lead to your death.*

*Safe guard the helpless.*

*That is your oath.*

Balian:

* Respected all people (the slave who brought him to Jerusalem, the people of the village he inherited, the people he served with and those he fought against)
* He lived by his conscience (When he saved the groups trying to get into the castle, when he refused to marry the Queen if it caused the unjust death of her husband, when asked to abandon Jerusalem he stayed to protect the people)
* He lived by the oath that he took
* He lived by the Motto – To make the world a better place
* He saw what needed to be done and worked alongside others rather than commanding them to do the work for him
* He LEAD people into battle, he did not send them to do his bidding
* In all areas he lead by example
* He was not power hungry
* He stepped up even when people saw him as beneath them
* He defended the defenseless

The King of Jerusalem

* Listened to his counsel
* Found ways to make it fair for all to conduct their affairs under his rule regardless of race or religion
* He set up laws and rules that applied to ALL people and followed through showing no favor ship to those of the same religion, the LAW applied to all.
* He was willing to negotiate if it saved lives and was fair
* He was respectful of those with differing ideas
* Protected all, respected all even if he did not believe the same thing

The Leader of the Sarasin's – Saladin

* Respected a man's reputation
* He listened to counsel to prevent the deaths of many on both sides
* He was calm and provided reasons and evidence for his decisions (Why he held back from battle when there was not enough food, water, etc. to support the success of his army)
* He was respectful to those who did not agree with his decisions (shook hands, thanked)
* He did not get baited into fighting, even by his own side – level headed
* He strategized and realized when he was strong and when he was weak and acted accordingly - Reflective
* He was willing to show mercy
* He followed through when provoked – a man of his word
* Defender of his nation

Guy (Second King of Jerusalem)

* Hot headed
* Power hungry
* Saw people as beneath him if they were not of his station in life
* Did not allow for a difference of opinions or ideas
* Allowed others to stir him up
* Refused to consider counsel (When they told him of potential issues with marching on the Muslim army he refused to listen and the whole army was destroyed)
* Disrespectful (Gave the cup offered to him by the king to his side kick)
* Antagonistic (picked fights with people on his own side and those he opposed)
* Arrogant – full of himself and his own importance
* Disregarded the lives of his soldiers and their worth as human beings