LEADERSHIP TRAINING

LEADING A COMPANY for Christ

Study Guide

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Leading a Company for Christ is an eight-part series introducing the basic ministry philosophy of FCCI/ *Christ@Work*. The presenter in this series is Dr. Bruce H. Wilkinson, author of the best seller ***The Prayer of Jabez*** and founder of Walk Through the Bible ministries.

It is highly recommended that facilitators preview each session prior to sharing it with the group. It is helpful to prepare the group with a brief introduction and presentation of the related scriptures prior to sharing the tapes or leading from the syllabus. An overview is provided for this purpose at the beginning of each session in the notes.

Groups are also encouraged to spend time in prayer either at the beginning or the conclusion of the sharing time reflecting on what they have learned and asking the Holy Spirit to place it in their hearts and minds in a way that is useful to the Kingdom.

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Introduction

Romans 12:2 *Colossians 3:1-2*

OVERVIEW: ***Old patterns of belief and behavior must be transformed by the power of the Cross. This chapter deals with obstacles, attitudes and stages of development which are essential in order to achieve the changes in the heart and mind needed by all Christian business leaders.***

Obstacles to a changed heart and mind:

1 Because of our lack of attention to its power, Satan's devices are much like a kudzu vine. We become easy prey. If not carefully rooted out, it can overwhelm and take control of our lives. (Kudzu is native to the southern areas of the USA and grows almost uncontrollably creating havoc for powerline companies and landowners.)

We sometimes mistakenly believe that we have Jesus carefully controlled within the walls and structure of the organized church. However, Jesus is often found in the workplace with people, encouraging deeper commitment and greater risk in faith on the part of believers.

2 The process is more important than the product:

As a Christian business leader, the process of dealing with the problems are often as important as the product. Daily dealing with the questions, "What does it mean to operate a company for Christ?" or "What would Jesus do?" is as important as the conclusions reached.

3 Deepening your personal commitment:

As human parents, we often try to make it easier for our children by removing hardships and hurdles that could create greatness of spirit. When God acts as a parent to us, He encourages our spiritual growth by allowing difficult situations to exist. We are then enabled to grow in integrity, in dependence on Him and in our joy of serving Him through our companies.

Examples

4 David and Moses are good examples in Scripture of men who matured and developed strong character as a result of living through stressful situations and circumstances. Living through stressful periods of life often creates greatness of spirit. There is no distinction to be made between your personal and business life. There is no SACRED/SECULAR position left for the believer. Your call to discipleship is HOLISTIC, consistently applying to every aspect of your life.

From belief to conviction:

5 Your belief systems (world-view) must be tested before they become convictions.

Beliefs are exposed to testing; testing produces convictions; convictions produce behavior and attitudes:



Stages of dev



The process of problem solving:

Why	What	How
Problem - Philosophy	*Priorities*	*Plan*
Hebrews 1-10		Hebrews 11-13
Ephesians 1-3		Ephesians 4-6
Romans 1-11		Romans 12-16

Focusing on the ***HOW*** alone is an attempt to change behavior without changing the belief system (the ***WHY***). Behavior modification is ineffective unless there is a change in the heart of the believer and thus in the belief system.

If your heart gets changed, your life will change. When you decide something is true in your life and you deeply believe it, you don't need somebody to tell you how to do it. You will just do it.



If your belief system is unclear, your behavior will also be unclear. The first task is to deal with your belief system. Make it clear, so that your behavior and attitudes will also be clear.



Practical Application

1 As your commitment to Christ grows, are you more or less satisfied that your business is being operated *God's way?*

( ) More Satisfied ( ) Less Satisfied

2 Have you struggled with certain beliefs that don't seem to align with your business practices? _____

What growth and/or frustration has resulted? _____

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3 Dr. Wilkinson suggests that through testing or trials our beliefs (which are under our control) become convictions that will control us. List some beliefs that have become convictions for you. How did this process take place in your life?

1._____
2._____
3._____

4 What beliefs do you now hold that need to become convictions? _____

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5 Do unclear beliefs produce inconsistent behavior in your life? Can you pinpoint these?

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6 Have unclear beliefs compromised your Christian witness in your business? How?

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Notes

The Problem

OVERVIEW: ***Unfortunately, the purpose of work for both the Christian and non-Christian business leader often looks the same….to maximizes profits. What is also the same for a Christian and non-Christian is that true attitudes are reflected in behavior, and behavior always reflects belief. The question is: "How can this be true if a Christian cannot serve both God and money?"***

Matthew 6:25-26

The Purpose of Work

"From God's perspective, what are the major problems faced by a Christian business leader?" The conference audience shared the following responses:

- Lack of love for others
- Lack of obedience to God
- Lack of trust in God and others
- Understanding the purpose of work
- Pride
- Dedication to the company
- Lust
- Not sharing the Gospel
- Covetousness



Maximized Profit vs. Integrity

The primary purpose of most non-Christian companies is maximized profit.

What is the meaning of *profit* from a Biblical perspective?
How is integrity influenced by profit?

The Christian business leader is often confronted with the apparent conflict between profit and integrity:

INTEGRITY MEANS:

- you are the same person in all circumstances and situations.
- that honesty guides all of your decision making.
- that you WALK YOUR TALK! (***1 John 3:18***). In the light of Christ, there is no GRAY area! You simply cannot rationalize. For believers, there can be no Sacred / Secular split.



"No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money. Matthew 6:24 NIV

This passage is basic to understanding God's expectations of believers.

FACT	*NO MAN CAN SERVE TWO MASTERS MATTHEW 6:24*
PROOF	*For either he will hate the one and love the other (Absolute!)*
ILLUSTRATION	*Or he will be devoted to the one and desipise the other.*
FACT	*YOU CANNOT SERVE BOTH GOD AND MONEY!* (Mammon is translated money not man.

KING OF KINGS

ATTITUDES ARE REVEALED IN BEHAVIOR

BEHAVIOR REFLECTS BELIEF

YOU CANNOT SERVE TWO MASTERS



Practical Application

1. Do you have integrity in what you do? _____
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2. Are your beliefs and behavior consistent in your home, business and church relationships?
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3. Do your spouse, children, employees and pastor see the same person in you in all situations and circumstances? _____
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4. Can you track a lack of integrity back to beliefs that are not truly convictions in your life?
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5. Do you genuinely desire integrity in your life? _____If you answer yes, what price are you willing to pay to have it?_____
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6. Are there situations within the last several weeks of your business life where you recall making decisions based on money first with no (or perhaps deferred) consideration of God's will in that situation? Explain _____
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7. Have there been situations in your business life where you can clearly recall making a major decision based on Kingdom principles first? _____
_____ What happened as a result?_____
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Notes

Better or Different?

2 Corinthians 5:14-17 *Philippians 2:1-11*

OVERVIEW: ***"CHRISTIAN BUSINESS IS NOT BETTER BY DEGREE, IT IS DIFFERENT." Either Jesus is Lord of the company or He is not. It is never sufficient to improve on the world's ethics. We live under the command of Christ to be transformed, to be different from those who live by the world's standards. To be different requires a focus on Jesus Christ. If we were only to be better than the world, we would be involved in comparing ourselves with others. This, the Scriptures call foolishness.***

The world's way of doing business is not the model for the Christian business leader. When our sinful nature is surrendered to God, the Spirit moves in to do what Christ has wants to do …make all things new!

CHRISTIAN BUSINESS IS NOT BETTER BY DEGREE, IT IS DIFFERENT

WORLD'S PERSPECTIVE BETTER THAN	BIBLICAL PERSPECTVE DIFFERENT FROM
Self-centered	Christ-centered
Self-improvement emphasis	Transformed heart and mind
Better by degree: more moral, more ethical, more fait	Different by transformed belief system.
I work on my ability to love.	The Spirit produces love in me.
I work on improving my goodness.	The Spirit produces goodness.
Result: repeated defeat.	Result: Spiritual victory.
"Self" is fallen, wicked, evil and cannot be improved.	A broken "self spirit" is never despised by God when the self is surrendered and in control by the Spirit; growth and fruit occur.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus Christ commands Believers to be DIFFERENT FROM, not BETTER THAN the rest of the world. ***(Matthew 5-7)***.

SERMON ON THE MOUNT COMMANDS:

EXTERNAL ACTION (THE LAW)	ATTITUDE OF THE HEART (GRACE)
Don't kill.	Don't hate.
Give more money.	Don't tell anyone how much you give.
Say many prayers.	Don't let others see you pray.
Know the doctrine.	Love Christ.

- If your belief system is wrong, your life will be wrong. If your mind and heart are changed, then your behavior and attitude will be changed. Christian business leaders must have the mind of Christ in order to have the ability to apply Biblical principles in their companies ***(Phil. 2:1-11)***.

- The Cross of Jesus Christ and His shed blood have radically altered the perspective that is essential for a Christian business leader. The root of the problem is that we continue to act as if we were saying, "we will do what we want to do in spite of the Cross of Christ!".

THE MAJOR DIFFERENCE IN THE PERSPECTIVE OF A CHRISTIAN LEADER IS THAT JESUS CHRIST IS LORD OF EVERYTHING, INCLUDING THE COMPANY.



Practical Application

1 How are you different from an unbeliever? _____
_____From your own experience, are these differences real or merely theological or conceptual? How?
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2 Read the following Scriptures: ***2 Corinthians 5:17; 3:18; 4:2; Romans 7:18 ; 12:1***-3.How can we change? Man tries to improve his behavior, the self, but what is God's way? _____
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What does it mean to say, "Jesus bought you?" _____
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3 _____
How should your answer affect the relationship you have to time, money, possessions and other people? _____
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4 How do you make the distinction between God's responsibility and your responsibility in Kingdom work? _____
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Notes

God's Purpose for Man

Exodus 19:6 *Isaiah 61:6* *Leviticus 17:11*

OVERVIEW: ***Every Christian business leader is a priest to his employees, customers, suppliers, vendors and competitors. You are a priest if you are a believer. God's purpose in Christ is to establish every believer as a priest. The Biblical, historical perspective clearly reveals God's desire to have a personal relationship with His people. The historical development of the concept of "priest" is important to understand. The duty of a priest is bringing people into the presence of the Lord. The duty of a prophet is to hear from the Lord. The duty of a king is to rule the people in a godly manner.***

Before the creation of the world, there was a hierarchy and order in heaven. The angels freely adored and praised God with tremendous authority and power. They were even established in a hierarchy like General Motors.

- Lucifer (the executive VP) rebelled and declared, "I will take over; I will build my own kingdom, and I will be like the most High God!"
- Many, even millions, followed Lucifer to begin a second kingdom established in opposition to God.
- God literally threw Lucifer out of Heaven along with all of his angels and put them into Hell. God also made a change in how things would be done by removing all free-will from the angels, with the result that no more free-will existed in the universe.
- Free-will was the basis for the unconditional relationship of love established by the Father. When that aspect of the relationship was removed, the joy of the repatriations was also removed. God wanted to re-establish that relationship built on unconditional love.

A NEW OPPORTUNITY: ADAM AND EVE

God's desire was to find someone who could love Him freely and thus enjoy a mutual love relationship. God enjoyed a free relationship with Adam and Eve, but their sin and rebellion broke this relationship.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY: CAIN AND ABEL

God wanted a blood sacrifice (Leviticus 17:11). In his rebellion against the authority of God, Cain decided to do what Lucifer and Adam and Eve did, saying, "I will do what I want to do!" Cain murdered Abel to affirm his rebellion. No one was left to follow God.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY: SETH AND ENOCH

Through Seth and Enoch, the people began to call on God once again and Godly seed began to produce a whole new generation. But then, Godly seed and ungodly seed intermarried, and eventually no godly seed remained. From that point on, all men did evil continuously in the sight of the Lord.



ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY: NOAH

While God repented that He had made man at all, He decided to try again through Noah. Noah persisted in disobedience and rebellion, and his followers ended up building a monument to that rebellion in the Tower of Babel.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY: ABRAHAM

God selected Abraham as His man for the world and declared that his descendants would be a kingdom of priests and a Holy nation. The key idea was that everyone would be a Priest in the world to bring people back to God. But Abraham and the people in their rebellion said, "No, we will do what we want to do!"

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY: MOSES

Following the experience of idolatry at Mt. Sinai, God's best plan seemed to be destroyed. God then selected the Levites to be the priests, but the nation then turned inward to itself and did not perform the function of bringing men back to God. Instead they worshiped another god in the golden calf!



ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY: JESUS CHRIST

The last opportunity is Jesus Christ. By His action on the cross, every person, who by faith confesses Jesus as Lord and Savior, is constituted as a priest. Entrance into this new relationship is not by natural birth but by spiritual birth, by being born again by the Holy Spirit. We are priests from our birth into Christ until we meet Him in the Kingdom of God.

Practical Application

1 Why is your free will necessary to the relationship that you enjoy with God? _____

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Explain your understanding of the risk in the freedom to reject or receive God's love?

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2 What do you believe is God's ultimate purpose for man and for you? _____

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Does this make a difference in the way you live? _____ How does it impact your business? _____

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3 What are some things you have left for "the church staff" to do that you were gifted to do better? _____

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Notes

The Plan-Our Priesthood

Matthew 6:24-33 *1 Peter 2:1-12* *Revelation 1:6*
Ephesians 4:11-12

OVERVIEW: ***In the ministry of FCCI/Christ@Work, there is a specific affirmation of the universality of the priesthood of all believers. The central focus of every Christian business leader should be the needs of his or her employees. The concept of the priesthood of all believers is an integral part of the FCCI/Christ@Work affirmation and philosophy.***

In the Old Testament, those who were born by natural birth into the tribe of Levi were born "priests." They had no decision to make regarding their vocation. Under Abraham, everyone who was an Israelite (born a Jew) was a member of the "nation of priests". When you were born again as a Christian, you became a "priest" and a member of the "Kingdom of Priests".

The problem and danger today is that Satan will encourage us to believe that only a few believers should be doing the work of the priest, thus dividing God's plan that all believers are priests. We fall into that trap when we employ more and more professional people to run the church. We pay the organist, choir director, youth worker, etc., and we become the non-clergy (LAITY) who pay the clergy (PRIEST) to do our "priesting" thus we become simply the "payers".

Satan's theme is consistent: *"I WILL DO WHAT I WANT TO DO,"* and is very much related to the division in the church between "laity" and "clergy". The call to priesthood is a universal call to the people of God who have come to faith in Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-12 commands the leadership of the church to equip the saints for the work of ministry. Paying "professional priests" to do our ministry is simply against Biblical teaching.

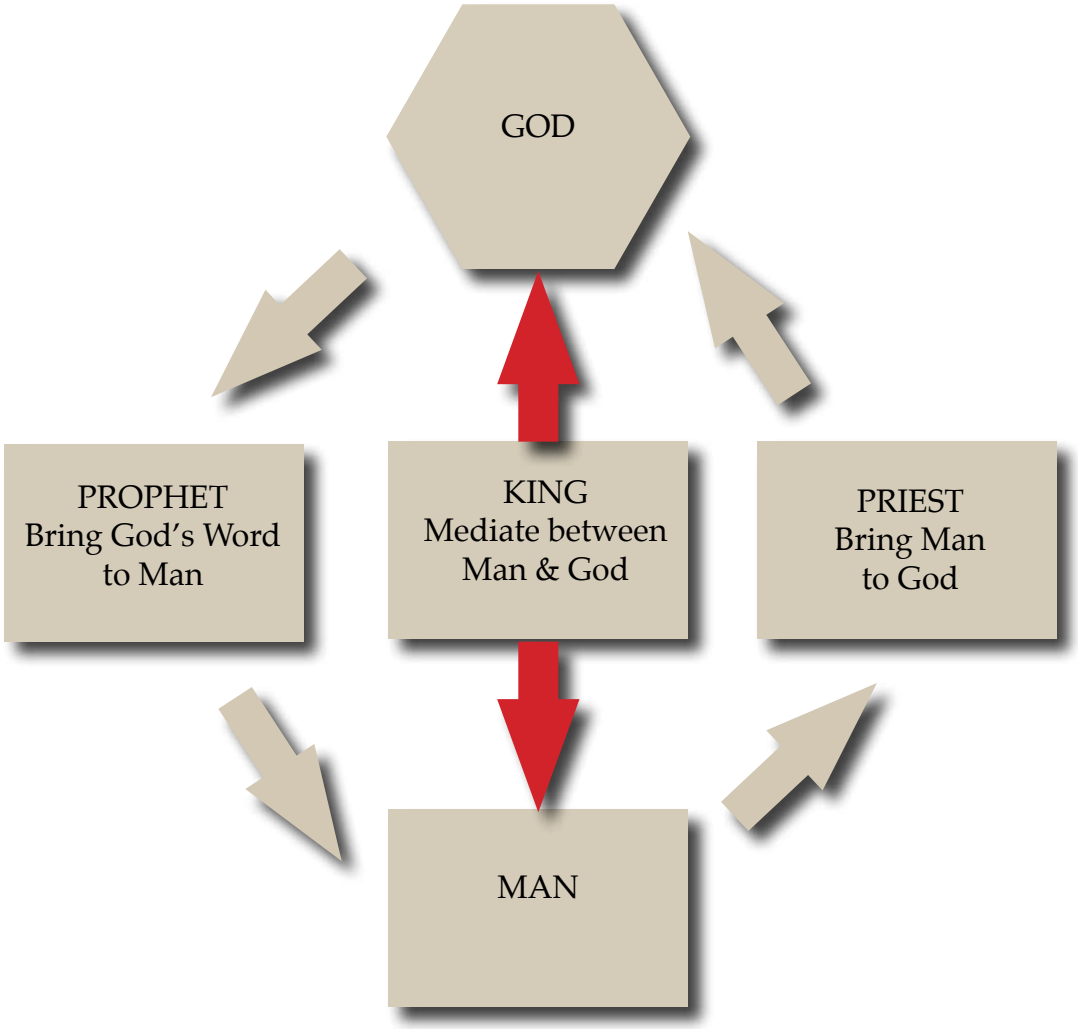
God's purpose in our work and ministry is defined by Matthew 6:33, ***"Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness".*** Motivation in business must always focus on this key truth. Any other motivation will fall into Satan's vocabulary of rebellion: *"I WILL DO WHAT I WANT TO DO!"*

The philosophy of FCCI/Christ@Work is built on a bedrock theme. God's Son through His blood has purchased you completely by faith. You are His. His best name for you is PRIEST.

OUR TASK AS A PRIEST IS TO BRING MEN BACK TO GOD

GOD'S PURPOSE FOR A CHRISTIAN IN BUSINESS IS TO PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY (THE PLATFORM) FOR BEING A MORE EFFECTIVE PRIEST

- THE ROLE OF THE PROPHET IS TO BRING THE WORD OF GOD TO MAN.
- THE ROLE OF THE PRIEST IS TO BRING MAN TO GOD.



- THE ROLE OF THE KING IS TO MEDIATE BETWEEN MAN AND GOD.

The Plan-Our Priesthood

Priesting takes place in a variety of ways in individual priests. In the marketplace there are at least two significant patterns for priesting: **TENT MAKING**: essentially working to provide an income to meet the expenses of daily living in order to perform a particular ministry as a vocation, and **PLATFORM**: essentially using a business as the key place from which ministry will be launched as a channel for "priesting" or reaching people for God.

When a business leader views his or her business as a **PLATFORM**, he or she assumes the role of "priest" whose task it is to bring people back to God while relying on God for provision in all aspects of the business relationships with competitors, employees, customers, marketing, suppliers, pricing, etc.

The purpose of business for a Christian (as believer-priest) is to be in ministry seeking to use that business as **a platform or tent-making** enterprise in order to bring people to God. The main purpose of secular business is to maximize profit. Biblical profit is defined as Godly-gain or "advantage." Profit from a Biblical perspective is always related to the opportunity to win souls for Christ. Ungodly gain is gain that prospers through a process of demeaning and abusing others.

Christian leaders today fully expect that the next reformation/renewal/revival will start from within the business community, not from the clergy or the religious leaders. The first reformation accomplished the task of getting the Scriptures into the hand of the laity. The second reformation will have the task of getting the responsibility for the proclamation of the Word of God into their hands as well.

Practical Application

1. Describe three practical ways in which you are able to express your "priestly" function in your business. _____
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2. How do you see your role as "priest" affecting specific areas of your business such as human resources, marketing and customer service? _____
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3. Based on this, how much "priesting" have you done in your business during the last month? _____
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4. Write your current company vision statement. How does it look like a "platform" for ministry? _____
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Notes

The Eternal Purpose

Matthew 6:19-21 *James 3:13-18*

OVERVIEW: ***The perspective of the Christian business leader is very important. The Christian business leader must think and act with an eternal perspective rather than a temporal perspective. The Bible teaches that God will judge believers according to their works and reward them according to the good or evil they have done. These rewards are different from the gift of salvation and are usually referred to as "Heavenly rewards."***

- All men die and face the reality of going to Heaven or Hell. The world believes that we will be judged by our works alone. A Christian believes that the cost of sin is death, that Christ has made full payment on the Cross for our redemption and that by faith in Christ alone do we enter Heaven. Works do not count for salvation. The dividing mark is faith in Christ.

- There are only two choices. The world says you will be judged for salvation by the good deeds you accomplish in your lifetime. Christianity says that is not true! Jesus paid the full cost of our salvation by His grace and unconditional love and when we accept Him by faith, He saves us from the choice of Hell and gives us Heaven instead.

- There are different rewards and positions in Heaven and Hell revealed in the Scriptures. Some get into Heaven by "the skin of their teeth". The Christian business leader's attitude and behavior in the world will determine his or her rewards and position in Heaven.

- The amount of time a person spends on earth is minuscule in comparison to eternity - but his or her attitudes and behavior will affect eternity.



- If you were to place one million years on the above line and place the years of your life in the slot representing 70-80 years, the difference would be exceedingly great. Consider that everything you do in that brief space of time affects your whole eternity! You have 60-80 years to affect all of eternity!

- A mature Christian business leader will demonstrate his or her maturity by GIVING UP IMMEDIATE GRATIFICATION FOR SOMETHING OF GREATER VALUE IN THE FUTURE. God calls that FAITH.

- The utter reality of knowing that all that you accomplish in your lifetime, as minuscule as it may seem to be, will your effect eternity should motivate you to be almost fanatical about "storing up treasures in Heaven." Everything you do here is going to impact your place in Heaven.



- The depth of your faith and your obedience to the Scriptures will determine, to a great extent, how much you are living in the light of eternity. In the light of this truth, fruit-bearing takes on a whole new ETERNAL dimension of significance in your lifetime on earth.

- The prosperity theology being proclaimed by some in our time (which promises affluence for believers) is not a New Testament teaching. The New Testament teaches that you are to ***"seek first the Kingdom of God…"*** (Matthew 6:33) and ***eternal rewards (Matthew 6:19).*** You are to "***seek the fruit that remains"*** (John 15:16).

  - The more you accept your role as priest of the business,
  - the more you bring people to Christ,
  - the more you influence them for good,
  - the more you do not live for money.....

  all of eternity will be changed.

- As a priest, your priorities will be different. You have a whole new mentality. You do not own anything. Everything belongs to God. You are a Priest first of all, and then a businessman/woman.

AS A CHRISTIAN, YOUR VOCATION IS PRIEST.

Practical Application

1. If we have no problems with being fanatical about sports, hobbies or other interests, why do we have so much difficulty being fanatical about Jesus Christ? _____

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In your opinion, what would 'being fanatical about Jesus Christ 'look' like? _____

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2. Does your business wisdom come from Fortune, Forbes, Wall Street Journal, or from the Bible? _____ (Read James 3:3-18) What advice does this offer a Christian businessman/woman? _____

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How is this applied to the business decision making process? _____

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3. How have you used your own "threescore and ten" so far in Kingdom work?

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What are things you could begin to do tomorrow to build treasures that last?

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Notes

Setting Your Own Priorities

Matthew 6:19-34 *John 15:1-5* *James 1:22-25*

OVERVIEW: ***The four priorities of God for a Christian business leader as a priest are:***

Personal Spiritual Growth: Knowing who you are in Jesus Christ!
Personal Spiritual Growth involves participation in exercising faith for daily growth in Christ.

Salvation: Trusting Jesus as Savior and Lord.
Salvation is the result of receiving Christ by faith followed by helping non-believers to receive the Gospel.

Sanctification: The process of Christian growth.
Surrendering to the Holy Spirit produces fruit that is productive and leavening in the world.

Service: Meeting the needs of others.
Service is an activity directed to all of God's people everywhere, meeting their real needs by God's provision and Grace.

- Spiritual growth requires that we stand consistently at the foot of the Cross of Jesus Christ.

- Abiding in Christ is absolutely essential if a Christian business leader expects to bear fruit produced by the Holy Spirit in his/her business. God declares that if we seek His Kingdom first, it is His desire to take care of the rest. Either He is a boss who can be trusted or He is a boss who cannot be trusted. Personal spiritual growth requires a decision about God's trustworthiness.

- A Christian business leader must seek God first - way above profit. Matthew 6:33 does not say that we are to seek ONLY the Kingdom of God - just FIRST.

- If you are not walking with God, don't try to apply Biblical principles to your business. You will defame the name of Christ. Don't speak that which you do not live. You must WALK YOUR TALK.

- ASSETS (treasures) are not ATTITUDES. They are very real treasures. You can't say that you can hold assets lightly without affecting your behavior and attitude. If love of money is the sin, FAITH is the answer.

Setting Your Own Priorities

Practical Application

1. Are you falling more or less in love with Jesus as time goes by?_____
How do you know this is true (what evidence exists)? _____
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2. Is your business life a help or a hindrance in your relationship with Jesus? _____
_____ Do you have a problem reaching out to non-believers? _____How often do you pray for them? _____
_____Are you actively building relationship with them in order to share Christ? _____ In what way? _____
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3. Do you take an <u>active</u> part in the spiritual growth of believers who are your employees? _____ If so, how? _____
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If not, why not? _____
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4. Is helping the poor and needy part of your business plan? _____
How so? _____
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5. What are two "priesting" steps you might consider taking this week in and through your company?_____
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Notes

Acts 1:8

OVERVIEW: ***This lesson deals with specific ideas on how to implement God's purpose and plan for the Christian business leader in his business as a priest of God.***

REVIEW:

THE PROBLEM .....THE PURPOSE OF BUSINESS

THE PHILOSOPHY..... THE PRIESTHOOD OF ALL BELIEVERS

THE PRIORITIES .....SPIRITUAL GROWTH, SALVATION, SANCTIFICATION AND SERVICE

There are three ways to respond to God's claim for making you a believer-priest:

1. OBEDIENCE

2. DISOBEDIENCE

3. "THINK ABOUT IT"
   (Not a valid response in any case! It leads either to obedience or disobedience.)

Practical Application

1. Your business is your platform for ministry. Christian business leaders are called to be priests to their employees (beginning at Jerusalem) and then with families, vendors, customers and competitors. How has your leadership in the company been influenced by this basic principle? _____
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2. Identify several places in your company where Salvation, Sanctification and Service can be found. _____
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3. Brainstorm some creative ways to priest in your business. Here are some suggestions to stimulate your response:

- Retreats to deal with spiritual growth.
- Banquets and parties where the Gospel can be shared.
- Tape and book library on the premises.
- Marriage and family seminars.
- Use profits to priest in business before you give it all away to other priests.
- Become a model company for Christ.
- Shepherd your people.
- Counseling assistance for people with material or financial problems.
- A daily devotional on site.
- Paid daycare for young mothers who work in your business.
- Employee policies that encourage and equip.

Beginning Your Ministry Action Plan

Family:
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Employees:
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Customers:
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Competitors:
1. _____

Family

Prayer: (1) _____
(2) _____
(3) _____
(4) _____
(5) _____

Service: (1) _____
(2) _____
(3) _____
(4) _____
(5) _____

Employees

Prayer: (1) _____
(2) _____
(3) _____
(4) _____
(5) _____

Service: (1) _____
(2) _____
(3) _____
(4) _____
(5) _____

Customers

Prayer: (1) _____
(2) _____
(3) _____

Service: (1) _____
(2) _____
(3) _____

Competitors

Prayer: (1) _____

Service: (1) _____

Application & Commitment

James 1:22-25 "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it-- he will be blessed in what he does." (NIV)

Series: **Leading a Company for Christ**
Date Series Began: _____
Date Series Ended: _____
Participant's Name: _____

One of the Biblical Truths (Principles) I learned from these sessions was: _____
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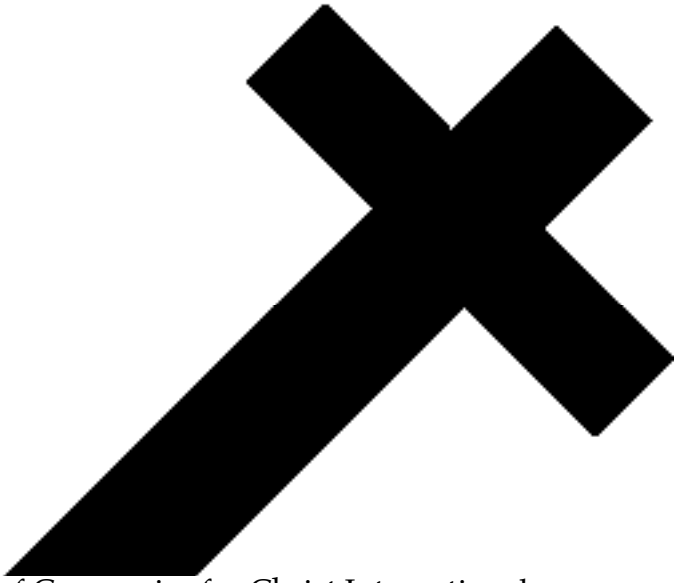
I intend to apply this Truth (Principle) in my business by: _____
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With the help of the Holy Spirit, I will begin applying this truth immediately. I ask and expect my Leadership Group friends to hold me accountable for this and to check with me periodically to determine if I am doing so. Plesase ask me: _____
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For information regarding ***Christ@Work*** and additional Biblical teaching for a variety of business related subjects, contact the International Office at the address or telephone number shown below. These teaching tapes will continue to provide Biblical teaching at even deeper levels with application techniques that have proven to work in the marketplace.

Christ@Work has many other resources for your use in small groups or individually within your company. We encourage every Christian business leader to become a member of the organization because membership encourages commitment to try to operate a company biblically, according to God' s provision and grace.



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