
Our Purpose for Being in Business

PURPOSE

The most significant challenge for Christian business leaders in the marketplace today is to understand that their **purpose** for being in business is radically different than that of a non-Christian.

“But seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well” (Matthew 6:33)

According to this verse, the _____ is the first priority in our lives, including the time we spend in _____.

“Set your mind on things above, not on things that are on earth (Colossians 3:2)

According to this verse, our minds (thoughts) and focus are to be on _____ not on _____.

Our purpose then, even in our business, is to Glorify God in all that we do.

But what about profit? While profit remains as the most important **function** of a thriving and viable business, it is not the ultimate purpose.

“Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the _____ of God” (1 Corinthians 10:31).

HOW DO WE GLORIFY GOD IN THE WORKPLACE?

“This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples” (John 15:8)

According to this verse, we glorify God by bearing much fruit for the Kingdom of God, fruit that will last.

This verse indicates we should bear fruit when involved with church ministry, not while we are in the marketplace. True False

As we understand that we have been anointed and called by God to the marketplace, we see that business is our ministry, and our ministry is our business!

*“My business is my pulpit,” Stanley Tamm (author of *God Owns My Business*)*

Our true, God-given purpose in business becomes the filter through which all our business decisions, policies, processes and motives, are tested.

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