



**LEADING A COMPANY
FOR CHRIST**

*An introduction to the ministry of the
Fellowship of Companies for Christ International
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For Groups

Leading a Company for Christ is an eight-part series introducing the basic ministry philosophy of FCCI. The syllabus may be used with either the audio or video tape, both of which are available as a resource from the International Office in Oklahoma City, OK. The presenter in this series is Dr. Bruce Wilkinson, author of the bestseller *The Prayer of Jabez* and founder of *Walk Through the Bible* ministries.

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INTRODUCTION TO FCCI
Its Genesis and Revelation
SESSION ONE

Romans 12:2

Colossians 3:1-2

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

1. Obstacles to a changed heart and mind experienced by most Christian business leaders:

Satan's devices are like a KUDZU vine to which we become easy prey because of our lack of attention to its power. It will overwhelm and take control if not carefully rooted out. (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 structure of the church, while in fact, He is clearly in the marketplace with the people, encouraging deeper commitment and greater risk in faith on the part of believers.

2. The process is more important than the product:

FCCI has come to understand that the process of dealing with the problems of a Christian business leader may be as important as the product. Thinking through the question, "What does it mean to operate a company for Christ?" Or better yet, "What would Jesus do?" is as important as the conclusions reached.

3. Deepening your personal commitment:

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

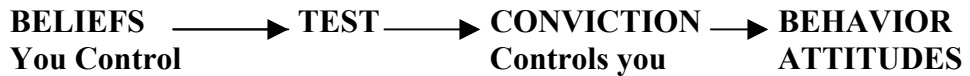
4. The example of David and Moses:

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, applying to every aspect of your life consistently.

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

How beliefs become convictions:

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



Stages of development moving toward maturity:



How FCCI understands the process of problem solving:

WHY	WHAT	HOW
PROBLEM- PHILOSOPHY	PRIORITIES	PLAN
Hebrews	Ephesians	Romans
Ch. 1-10	Ch. 1-3	Ch. 1-11
Ch. 11-13	Ch. 4-6	Ch. 12-16

Focusing on the "HOW TO" 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 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.

INSIGHT QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. In your experience, as your commitment to Christ grows, are you more or less satisfied that your business is being run God's way?
2. Have you struggled with certain beliefs that don't seem to align with business practices? What growth and/or frustrations have resulted?
3. Dr. Wilkinson suggests that through testing or trials, our beliefs, which were 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?
4. What beliefs do you now hold that need to become convictions?
5. Do unclear beliefs produce inconsistent behavior in your life? Can you pinpoint these?
6. Have unclear beliefs compromised your Christian witness in your business?

THE PROBLEM

SESSION TWO

Matthew 6:25-26

OVERVIEW: Unfortunately, the purpose of work for both the Christian and non-Christian business leader often looks the same....to maximize 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?"

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

- 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

These responses indicate that the PURPOSE OF WORK is the most critical issue we have as Christian business leaders.

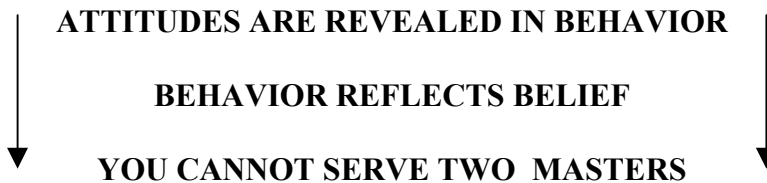
The primary purpose of most non-Christian companies is MAXIMIZED PROFITS. What is the meaning of profit from a Biblical perspective?

The Christian business leader is often confronted with the conflict of money and INTEGRITY:

- INTEGRITY means you are the same person in all circumstances and situations.
- INTEGRITY means that honesty guides all of your decision making.
- INTEGRITY means that you WALK YOUR TALK! (1 John 3:18). With the light of Christ, there is no GRAY area! You simply cannot rationalize two opposites. There can be no SACRED/SECULAR split for believers.

Read Matthew 6: 24. This passage is basic to understanding God's expectations of Believers.

FACT	<i>NO MAN CAN SERVE TWO MASTERS</i> 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 despise the other.
FACT	<i>YOU CANNOT SERVE BOTH GOD AND MONEY!</i> (Mammon is translated money, not man!)



INSIGHT QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Do you have integrity in what you do?
2. Are your beliefs and behavior consistent in your home, business and church relationships?
3. Do your spouse, children, employees and pastor see the same person in you in all situations and circumstances?
4. Can you track a lack of integrity back to beliefs that are not truly convictions in your life?
5. Do you genuinely desire integrity in your life? If you answer yes, what price are you willing to pay to have it?
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?
7. Have there been situations in your business life where you can clearly recall making a major decision on Kingdom principles first? What happened as a result?

**THE PHILOSOPHY
BETTER OR DIFFERENT?
SESSION THREE**

2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Philipians 2:1-11

OVERVIEW: "CHRISTIAN BUSINESS IS NOT BETTER BY DEGREE, IT IS DIFFERENT." A Christian business leader applying Biblical principles and using the company as a platform for ministry is not "better than," he must be "different from" other business leaders. 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, something 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 wanted to do all along...make all things new!

CHRISTIAN BUSINESS IS NOT BETTER BY DEGREE, IT IS DIFFERENT

**WORLD'S PERSPECTIVE
BETTER THAN**

**BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE
DIFFERENT FROM**

Self-centered	Christ-centered
Self-improvement emphasis	Transformed heart and mind
Better by degree: more moral, more ethical, more fair	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 that believers be DIFFERENT FROM, not BETTER THAN the world. (Matthew 5-7).

THE 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
External practice	Intention of heart

- 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!".

BEFORE THE CROSS

AFTER THE CROSS

Slave to sin	People of God
No hope in the world	People of hope and victory in Christ
The "hired hand"	Purchased by Jesus Christ on the Cross
Slave without choice	Slave by choice
Christ not the Lord of the company	Christ is Lord of the company
Just a merger with a person named Jesus	An outright purchase by God in Christ!



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

INSIGHT QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

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

**THE PHILOSOPHY
GOD'S PURPOSE FOR MAN
SESSION FOUR**

Exodus 19:6
1 and 2 Peter

Isaiah 61:6
Leviticus 17:11

Hebrews

OVERVIEW: Every Christian business leader is a Priest to his employees, customers, suppliers, vendors and competitors. If you are a believer, you are a Priest. 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 duties of a Priest consist of 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.



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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. 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.

INSIGHT QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Why is your free will necessary to the relationship that you enjoy with God? Do you understand the risk in the freedom to reject or receive God's love?
2. What do you believe is God's ultimate purpose for man and for you? Does it make a difference in the way you live? How does it impact your business?
3. Are there things you have left for "the church staff" to do that you were gifted to do better, but have decided to ignore your "Priestly" functions as believer?

**THE PLAN
OUR PRIESTHOOD
SESSION FIVE**

Matthew 6:24-33
Ephesians 4:11-12

1 Peter 2:1-12

Revelation 1:6

OVERVIEW: In the ministry of FCCI, 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 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" and we become the "payers".

Lucifer'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 part of the 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 Lucifer's vocabulary of rebellion: *"I WILL DO WHAT I WANT TO DO!"*

The Philosophy of FCCI 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.

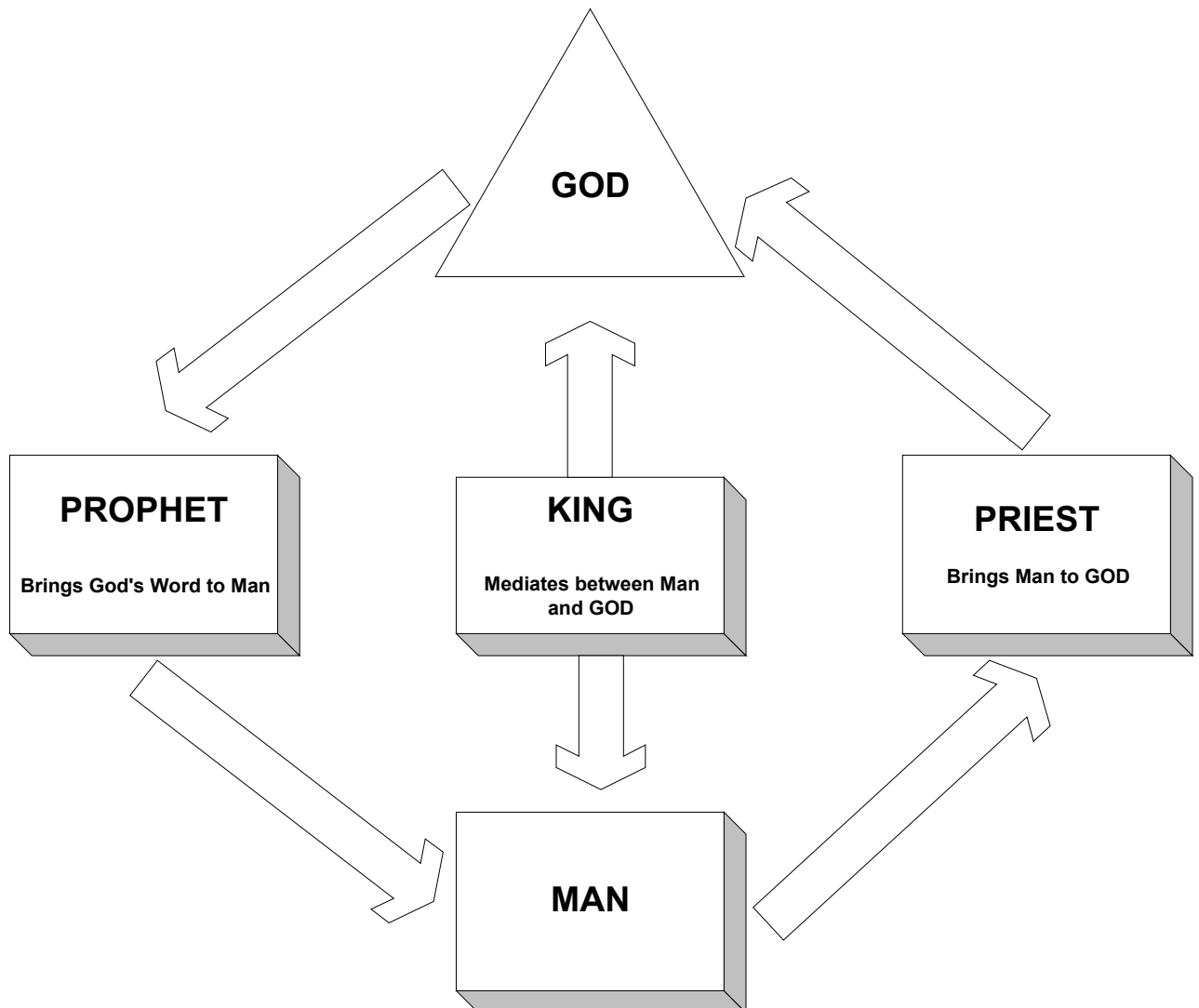


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OUR TASK AS A PRIEST IS TO BRING MEN BACK TO GOD

**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.**

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, et al.

The purpose of business for a Christian is to be in ministry seeking to use that business as **a platform or tent-making** enterprise in order to bring people to God as believer Priests. 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 business leaders 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.

INSIGHT QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Consider three or four practical ways in which you are able to express your "Priestly" function in your business.
2. How do you see your role as "Priest" affecting specific areas of your business such as human resources, marketing and customer service?
3. How much "Priesting" have you done in your business during the last month?
4. Share your company vision statement. How does it look like a "platform" for ministry?

PRIORITIES
THE ETHERNAL PURPOSE
 SESSION SIX

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 effect eternity should motivate you to be almost fanatical about "storing up treasures in Heaven." Everything you do here is going to impact 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 priest, the more you bring people to Christ, the more you influence them for good, and the more you do not live for money. All of eternity will be changed for that.
- As a Priest, your priorities will be different. You have a whole new mentality. You do not own anything. Everything belongs to God. You am a Priest first of all and then a businessman/woman. **YOUR VOCATION AS A CHRISTIAN IS PRIEST.**

INSIGHT QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. If we have no problem being fanatical about sports, hobbies or other interests, why do we have so much difficulty being fanatical about Jesus Christ?
2. Does your business wisdom come from Fortune, Forbes, Wall Street Journal, or from the Bible? (Consider James 3:3-18)
3. How have you used your own "threescore and ten" so far in Kingdom work? What are things you could begin to do tomorrow to build treasures that last?

**PRIORITIES
SETTING YOUR OWN
SESSION SEVEN**

**Matthew 6:19-34
1 and 2 Peter**

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! It involves participation in exercising faith for daily growth in Christ.

Salvation

Trusting Jesus as Savior and Lord. It 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

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.

INSIGHT QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Are you falling more or less in love with Jesus as time goes by?
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? Do you pray for them? Are you actively building relationship with them in order to share Christ?
3. Do you take an active part in the spiritual growth of believers who are your employees? If not, why not?
4. Is helping the poor and needy part of your business plan?
5. What are two "Priesting" steps you might consider taking this week in and through your company?

THE PLAN

SESSION EIGHT

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 —————▶ **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:

OBEDIENCE

DISOBEDIENCE

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

INSIGHT QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

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?
2. Identify several places in your company where Salvation, Sanctification and Service can be found.

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 some of the company 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.

Learning, 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)

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One of the Biblical Truths (Principles) I learned from these sessions was:

I intend to apply this Truth (Principle) in my business by: _____

With the help of the Holy Spirit, I will begin applying this TRUTH immediately. I ask and expect my fellow group members to hold me accountable for this and to check with me periodically to determine if I am doing so. Please ask me:

Participant _____ Date _____

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