

12 Principles

For a Thriving Workplace
Ministry in Your Company

FCCI / Christ@Work

- Equipping Business Leaders for Christ



Vision

- Transforming the world through Christ...one company leader at a time

Mission

- In pursuit of Christ's eternal objectives, we equip and encourage Christian business leaders to operate their businesses and conduct their personal lives according to Biblical principles.

Who We Serve

- Business Owners
- CEO's
- Executives
- Legacy Leaders
- Pastors
- Business Students



What We Provide

- Small Groups
- Conferences
- Web Site
- Seminars
- Mentoring
- Resources

4 Words

the Holy Spirit is emphasizing in the workplace today

- Kingdom



- Community



- Relationships



- Transformation



Kingdom

- It is about Him not us;
labels are no longer important
 - *But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. (Matthew 6:33) (KJ)*

Relationships

- Men build institutions;
God builds relationships
 - *I am the vine, ye are the branches; he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without me ye can do nothing. (John 15:5) (KJ)*
 - *These things I command you, that ye love one another (John 15:7) (KJ)*

Community

- Jesus modeled this with the twelve
 - *So that they may be one as we are one (John 17:11) (NIV)*
 - *That all of them may be one...they may be one...may they be brought to complete unity (John 17: 21-23) (NIV)*

How Do You Lead Your Company For Christ?

- Let us look at the life of Jesus and how he led a group of leaders from the workplace
- In John 17, Jesus was praying to the Father and looking back at a successful three years of leading twelve men



Isaiah 55:8-9

- *“For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,” declares the Lord*
- *“For as the heavens are higher than the earth. So are My ways higher than your ways and My thought than your thoughts.”*



1. Inclusiveness (Calling)

- John 17:2 – *“All those you have give Him”* (Father placed Him!)
- Importance of sphere of influence and modeling (business owner, CEO, executive, supervisor, or a participant in the workplace)
- Everyone “in Christ” is called to represent Him. Jesus represented the Father to the twelve. YOU represent God to your employees, co-workers, and others through your workplace.
- Share with all – our eyes are to be on the largest group possible
- But, FOCUS on a few!

2. Intimacy-Knowing Christ

(“Focus” and “Source of Power”)

- John 17:3 – “that they may know You”
- Christ@Work, not me or my talents, but He is at work in my life, business, and family
- Phil 3:10 – “perceive, recognize, become acquainted with, and understand Christ”
- Workplace leaders are lonely
- Four ways that believers grow in Christ

3. Revelation – Modeling Christ

(Answers the “WHAT?” Question)

- John 17:4-6 – “completing the work you gave me to do...I have revealed You”
- John 17:26 – “I have made you known to them”
(your job description)
- We first **show** them Christ, then **tell** them
- It is not what we say, but who we are
- Take Christ, but not religion to the workplace
- Christ in you and Christ through you!

4. Provision – As you go, where you work, live, & play. (Answers the Important “WHERE?” Question)

- John 17: 2, 6, 9, 24 (and 11, 12 in Amplified)
- “those you have given Him” – Jesus prayed six times for emphasis
- God is looking for leaders that He can trust with His chosen ones. (John 6:37, 39)
- God will sovereignly provide opportunities to those who are sensitive to His provisions. Outward focus, constantly alert

5. Sphere of Influence – “Rule of Twelve”

(The Main Thing: “WHO?”)

- John 17:4, 6 – accomplished, completed, finished the work
- What was the work of Christ?
- Was it only to save the world – the cross?
- Was it also to preach and reveal the Kingdom of God? (point #3)

What Was the Work of Christ?

- Seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10)
- The Cross (John 19:30, 3:27, 12:47)
- Fulfill the Law (Matt. 5:17)
- Serve (Matt 20:28)
- Give Life Abundantly (John 10:10)
- Do God's Will (John 4:34)
- Preach the Good News of the Kingdom of God (Luke 4:43)



To whom was this primarily done?

**WE REVEAL CHRIST TO THOSE
CLOSEST TO US!!!**



Who Has Jesus Invested His Life In?

- John 17:6 – “to those whom you gave me”
- John 17:7 – “they know”
- John 17:8 – “gave them the words”
- John 17:9 – “pray for them”
- John 17:11 – “protect them”
- John 17:17 – “sanctify them”
- John 17:18 – “I have sent them”



Who was He referring to?

IT WAS THE **TWELVE**
THAT HE HAD INVESTED
THREE YEARS INTO
THEIR LIVES



God's Ways are Different

JESUS SPENT HIS FINAL
HOURS WITH THE
TWELVE. MANY
LEADERS WOULD HAVE
MAXIMIZED THEIR TIME
WITH THE CROWDS.



6. Generational Transfer – Passing it On!

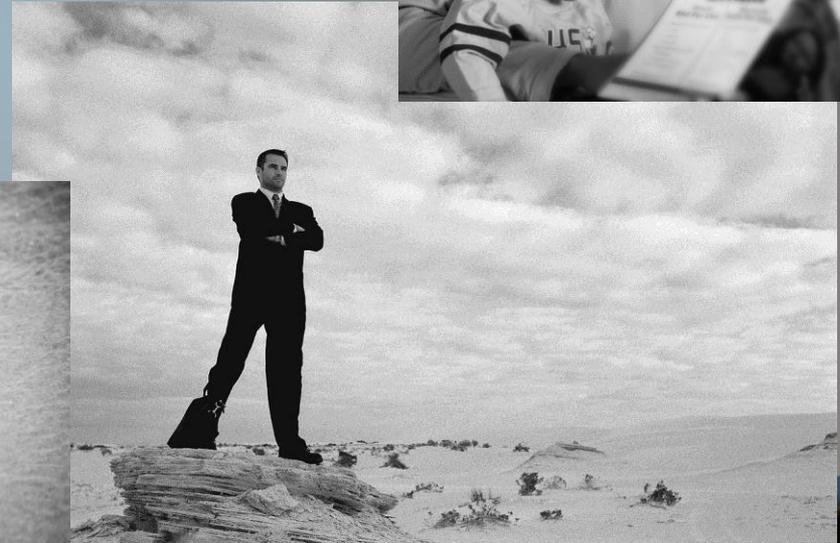
- John 17:8 – “I gave them the words that You gave me.”
- John 17:4 – “I have given them Your Word”
- We cannot pass the baton to a crowd!
- John 17:18 – “As you have sent me...I have sent them.”
- Relationally, not just intellectually
- Generations: Previous, Current, Next, the 4th
- Parents, Us, Children, Grandchildren

Mentoring / Discipleship

- 2 Timothy 2:2
 - *The things which **you** have heard from **me** in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to **faithful men** who will be able to teach **others** also.*

Four Generations

- Paul...
- Timothy...
- Faithful Men...
- Others...



7. Unity-Kingdom Focus (Why?)

- John 17:11, 21, 22, 23
- “that they may be one”
- The number one evidence that God@Work unity glorifies God!
- The walls are coming down between the following: denominations, para church, pastors, and business leaders, etc.

8. Community (How?)

Showing Care & Concern

- John 17:12 – “protected them...kept them safe”
- As we seek unity...we will experience community
- Love and Serve People (John 15:9, 12, 13, 17)

9. Integration – the Secular & Sacred

- John 17:15 – “not that you take them out”
- Answers the “WHERE?” question
- As God provides opportunities...in our sphere of influence....we simply model and reveal Christ!
- We go to business leaders and equip them in their sphere of influence

10. Transformation – the Result

- John 17:17 – “**sanctify**”, consecrate, purify, make holy (Roman 12:2; Eph. 4:23,24)
- “The City” that we live in
- His Word (Eph. 5:26)
- His Truth (1 Cor. 1:30)
- His Blood (Heb. 13:5)

11. Multiplication – Global

(THE NATIONS)

- John 17:20 – “for those who will believe”
- John 17:18 – “I have sent them”



- God will send you to the nations if you are willing even as you do your business

12. Relationships

(NOT about Organizations)

- John 17:26 – “I have made you known to them”
- Men institutionalize and organize...
...God relates
- Relationships provide influence and models;
organizations use energy
- Example: Lead on a bases of influence,
not position

Let us review the **12 principles** that Jesus Christ revealed to us in His last prayer to the father.



REVIEW

- 1) **Inclusiveness** – Everyone in Christ (“calling”)
- 2) **Intimacy** – Knowing Christ (“focus”)
- 3) **Revelation** – Modeling Christ (“what”)
- 4) **Provision** – As you go, where you work, live, and play
- 5) **Sphere of Influence; “Rule of Twelve”; The Main Thing** (“who”)
- 6) **Generational Transfer** – Pass it on! (Equip)

REVIEW, cont.

- 7) **Unity** – “Kingdom” Focus (why?)
- 8) **Community** – Care and Concern (how?)
- 9) **Integration** – Secular / Sacred (where?)
- 10) **Transformation** – the Result (“the City”?)
- 11) **Multiplication** – Global (“the Nations”)
- 12) **Relationships** – not “Organizations”