

RECOMMENDED RESOURCE BIBLIOGRAPHY

C12 Community Offerings

from The C12 Group and affiliated authors

A Light Shines Bright in Babylon, Buck Jacobs, The C12 Group, 2007.

A handbook for Christian business owners.

A Strategic Plan for Ministry, Buck Jacobs, The C12 Group, 2007.

Putting your faith into action in your unique mission field in business.

The Compass, Corporate Chaplains of America, 2006.

Basic discipling kit for new believers (DVD, CD, booklet) available from C12 or CCA.

The Third Awakening, Mark Cress, Lanphier Press, 2004.

A novel which vividly highlights the potential of living and leading for Christ.

C-Change, Mark Cress, Lanphier Press, 2005.

How to transform any business through the 7 simple principles of corporate chaplaincy.

20 Words That Will Change Your Life Forever, Mark Cress, Lanphier Press, 2005.

A devotional workbook which utilizes 10 core values to help you make genuine changes.

City Impact, Daniel Bernard, Chosen Books, 2004.

A C12 member's call to transform communities and individuals for Christ via the marketplace.

The Imperfect Leader, Davis Taylor (Author House, 2007).

A well-conceived and helpful fictional account of an upwardly mobile executive who discovers the secrets of transformational (i.e., servant) leadership.

www.C12Group.com, The C12 Group, Buck Jacobs-Founder/Chairman, Don Barefoot-President/CEO.

Website for the nation's leading Christian CEO/Owner equipping and accountability resource.

www.iamchap.org, Corporate Chaplains of America, Mark Cress-President.

Website for the nation's leading full-time workplace chaplaincy organization.

www.regententrepreneur.org, Regent Center for Entrepreneurship, Dr. John Mulford, Director

An equipping research and connectional resource aimed at bringing about transformation in economically disadvantaged nations through Christian business entrepreneurship.

www.global-lead.org, Global Leadership, Jesse James-President

Evangelical short-term missionary outreach to former Soviet Republics by American business leaders.

Technical Business Content

While not necessarily Christian in their worldview, these resources have proven helpful to many C12'ers.

The Definitive Drucker, Elizabeth H. Edersheim, McGraw-Hill, 2007.

A final forward-looking volume from the 20th century's most renowned management thinker.

The E-Myth Revisited, Michael E. Gerber, Harper Business, 2001.

Why most small businesses don't work and what to do about it.

What the CEO Wants You To Know, Ron Charan, Crown Business, 2001.

An overarching discussion of how businesses really work.

Built to Last, James C. Collins and Jerry I. Porras, Harper Business, 1997.

Successful habits of enduring visionary companies.

Good to Great, Jim Collins, Harper Business, 2001.

Why some companies make the leap and others don't.

Performance without Compromise, Charles Knight, HBS Press, 2005.

Strategic planning and operating execution tips from the CEO of CEOs.

Execution, Larry Bossidy and Ron Charan, Crown Business, 2002.

The discipline of getting things done; a manual for planning and execution.

Six Disciplines Execution Revolution, Gary Harpst (Six Disciplines Publishing, 2008).

A practical primer on the repeatable processes involved in developing a healthy operating company with an aligned team driving strategy and execution to achieve sustained profitable growth.

The 80/20 Principle, Richard Koch, Doubleday, 1998.

A familiar truism brought to powerful new application.

Encouraging the Heart, James Kouzes & Barry Posner, John Wiley & Sons, 2003.

Using celebration and encouragement to build winning teams.

Christian Reflections on the Leadership Challenge, J. Kouzes & B. Posner, editors, Jossey-Bass, 2004.

A collection of articles which bring to life "the five practices of exemplary leadership".

Firms of Endearment, Sisodia, Wolfe & Sheth, Wharton School Publishing, 2007.

How world-class companies profit from passion and purpose.

The Five Dysfunctions of a Team, Patrick Lencioni, Jossey-Bass, 2002.

A leadership fable aimed at building competitive advantage through teamwork.

Death by Meeting, Patrick Lencioni, Jossey-Bass, 2005.

Introduces a framework for eliminating the waste and frustration of bad meetings.

The Five Temptations of a CEO, Patrick Lencioni, Jossey-Bass, 1998.

Debates issues of integrity and effectiveness faced by all CEOs in seeking success.

The Four Obsessions of a CEO, Patrick Lencioni, Jossey-Bass, 2000.

Four key disciplines to building a healthy organization.

The Three Signs of a Miserable Job, Patrick Lencioni, Jossey-Bass, 2007.

A fable for managers and their employees. Turn that daily grind into daily fulfillment.

Silos, Politics and Turf Wars, Patrick Lencioni, Jossey-Bass, 2006.

A leadership fable about destroying barriers.

The Art of Profitability, Adrian J. Slywotzky, Warner Books, 2002.

Business models which demonstrate principles that allow business to survive in any economic climate.

The Great Game of Business, Jack Stack, Doubleday, 1992.

Teaching and empowering Springfield Manufacturing under Servant Leadership.

A Stake in the Outcome, Jack Stack and Bo Burlingham, Doubleday, 2002.

Transparency and helping all employees to think like owners.

Managing Without Supervision: Creating an Organization-wide Performance System, The Sin of Wages, William B. Abernathy, PhD, (see www.AbernathyAssociates.com).

Lean Thinking, James P. Womack and Daniel T. Jones, Simon & Schuster, 1996.
A Classic on eliminating waste and applying lean enterprise principles.

The Discipline of Market Leaders, Michael Treacy & Fred Wiersema, Addison Wesley, 1995.
Bestseller urging CEOs to change their customers, narrow their focus, and dominate their market.

QBQ!, John G. Miller, G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2004.
Practicing personal accountability in work and life; how to eliminate blame, complaining, procrastination.

Vest Pocket MBA (3rd ed.) Shim, Siegel & Simon, Portfolio, 2004.
Solid reference manual on finance and accounting issues.

The Portable MBA in Marketing, A. Hiam and C. Schewe, John Wiley & Son, 1992.
Solid overview of marketing fundamentals.

The Portable MBA in Finance and Accounting, J.L. Livingstone, John Wiley & Son, 1992.
Excellent primer on Financial Management.

Plain Talk: Lessons from a Business Maverick, Kenneth F. Iverson, New York: John Wiley and Sons, 1998.
A first-hand account by Nucor's long-time CEO regarding the fundamentals of creating a focused win/win culture using performance pay.

People Leave Managers... Not Organizations, Rick Tate and Dr. Julie White, New England: iUniverse, 2005.
An engaging and highly practical guide to attracting, developing and retaining talented employees and creating a 'relationally-savvy' culture.

Wikinomics, Don Tapscott and Anthony D. Williams, Portfolio, 2006.
How mass collaboration changes our business opportunities in the digital economy.

Fortune Small Business Magazine, www.fortune.com/fortune/smallbusiness
Large scale resources for small to mid-size businesses.

BW SmallBiz Magazine, www.businessweek.com/smallbiz
A special weekly insert for subscribers with less than 100 employees.

Inc. Magazine, www.inc.com
Small business resources for entrepreneurs.

www.ProductivityPress.com
America's best source of books and training for 'lean' operations, supply chain, quality and product development.

Christian Business - General

Business by the Book, Larry Burkett, Thomas Nelson, 1998.
An updated version of the classic guide to Biblical workplace principles.

Management: A Biblical Approach, Myron Rush, Victor, 2002.
An updated classic, with real world context and Biblical authority.

God's Business, Myron Rush, Victor, 2002.
Another updated classic which calls us to balance faith and the bottom line.

Christ-Centered Leadership, Perry Pascarella, Prima, 1999.
A reminder of the Lordship of Christ in a secularized business world.

Doing Business God's Way, Dennis Peacocke, Rebuild, 2003
An update of a well-used overview primer for believers in business.

Your Work Matters to God, D. Sherman and W. Hendricks, NavPress, 1987.
A solid primer on the holy calling to vocation and ministry at work.

Business for the Glory of God, Wayne Gruden, Crossway Books, 2003.
A look at the Bible's view of business and morality.

Just Business, Alexander Hill, InterVarsity Press, 1997.
A careful study of Christian ethics for the marketplace.

Spiritual Leadership, Henry and Richard Blackaby, Broadman and Holman, 2001.
A call to proactive leadership with external impact on those you lead.

God is at Work, Ken Eldred, Regal Books, 2005.
Transforming people and nations through business as written by a successful entrepreneur.

Marketplace Christianity, Robert Fraser, New Grid Publishing, 2006.
Discovering the Kingdom purpose of the marketplace and work as a holy calling.

Business as Mission, Michael R. Baer, YWAM Publishing, 2006.
A straight-forward Biblical and practical discussion of "Kingdom business" from a practitioner.

Personal Discipleship and Equipping

Living by the Book, Howard G. Hendricks and William D. Hendricks, Moody Publishers, 2007.
A revised and updated classic indispensable in helping to read and apply the Bible.

Serving Two Masters?, C. William Pollard, HarperCollins, 2006.
Reflections on God and profit; a boardroom devotional worth emulating.

BizBREAK, Mark Slomka, Horizon Books, 2000.
Helpful weekly devotionals for the workplace.

The Servant, James C. Hunter, Crown Business, 1998.
An excellent modern parable about the heart of servant leadership.

The Book on Leadership, John MacArthur, Nelson Books, 2004.
A look at character traits which detail the qualifications and responsibilities of effective leaders.

The World's Most Powerful Leadership Principle, James C. Hunter, Crown Business, 2004.
Purposeful steps toward becoming a servant leader.

How to Lead and Still Have a Life, H. Dale Burke, Harvest House, 2004.
The 8 Principles of 'Less is More' leadership.

Management by Proverbs (2nd ed.), Michael A. Zigarelli, PhD, PageFree Publishing, 2004.
Applying timeless wisdom in the workplace.

The Man in the Mirror, Patrick Morley, Zondervan, 1997.
Trade the rat race for the rewards of Godly manhood.

About My Father's Business, Regi Campbell, Multnomah, 2005.
Bringing witness and Christ's example into the workplace.

Six Battles Every Man Must Win, Bill Perkins, Tyndale House, 2004.
A call to arms in battling for eternal stakes in our life and ministry.

Don't Waste Your Life, John Piper, Crossway Books, 2003.
Living your life with passion, joyfully displaying God's excellence in all the spheres of life.

The Making of a Leader, Dr. J. Robert Clinton, NavPress, 1988.
A classic resource on Christian leadership development and mentoring.

The Heart of an Executive, Richard D. Phillips, Doubleday, 1999.
Lessons on leadership from the life of King David, rooted in Scripture.

Margin-Revised, Richard A. Swenson, MD, NavPress, 2004.
Restoring emotional, physical, financial and time reserves to overloaded lives.

The Overload Syndrome, Richard A. Swenson, MD, NavPress, 1998.
Examines overload, how to counteract it, and restore time to rest and space to heal.

Money, Possessions and Eternity, Randy Alcorn, Tyndale House, 1989.
A challenging review of stewarding temporal resources with eternal rewards in mind.

The Leadership Bible (NIV), Dr. Sid Buzzell, General Editor, Zondervan, 1998.
Special study notes and profiles for leadership application.

God's Work God's Way, A teaching series by Alistair Begg, Truth for Life, 2003 (2 vol/12 cassettes)
Building a lasting work for God's glory; a study in the Book of Nehemiah.

The Best of A.W. Tozer, compiled by Warren Wiersbe, Baker Book House, 1980.
An inspiring compilation of popular excerpts from Tozer's Christ-centered books.

Wealth Conundrum, Ralph Doudera, Signature Editions, 2005.
A Christian Money Manager wrestles with the issues of wealth.

The Hour that Changed the World, (3rd ed.), Dick Eastman, Chosen Books, 2007.
A best-selling practical plan for personal prayer discipline and effectiveness.

God Guides, (16th ed.), Mary Geegh, Pray America (517.622.1085), 2007.
A classic exhortation to "listening prayer" by a 38-year missionary to India.

Heaven, Randy Alcorn (Tyndale, 2004).
An encouraging and Biblically thorough look at our eternal home, including implications for how we should live now.

The Culprit & the Cure, Steven Aladana (Maple Mountain Press, 2005).
A well-researched contemporary guide to health and fitness to help those desiring to be effective stewards of their 'temples' and to encourage others toward wellness.

The Bema DVD, published by Campus Crusade and performed by Peter Briscoe, Senior Pastor of Bent Tree Bible Fellowship of Carrollton, TX.
This video drama will grab your attention as you reflect on 'that day' before the judgment seat of Christ.

www.Navigators.org
Solid general purpose discipling materials.

www.SearchNational.org
Solid general purpose discipling materials.

www.InterCristo.searchease.com
Connects Christian employers and Christian job hunters.

www.ManInTheMirror.org
Lots of helpful articles and resources for leaders in their walk and the equipping of others.

Christian Business Testimonies & Case Studies

Kingdom Companies, Dr. Jorg Knoblauch and Jorg Opprecht, River City Press, 2005.
A global look at 24 companies serving Jesus Christ through their businesses.

Loving Monday, John D. Beckett, InterVarsity Press, 1998.
How to succeed at business without selling your soul.

The Soul of the Firm, C. William Pollard, Harper Business, 1996.
The story of The ServiceMaster Company and its God-honoring mission.

Beyond the Norm, Norm Miller, Thomas Nelson, 1996.
The story of a salesman's rise to Chairman and Champion for Christ at Interstate Batteries.

Leadership Is an Art, Max DePree, Dell, 1989.
Servant leadership and the rise of Herman Miller, Inc.

It's Easier to Succeed Than To Fail, S. Truett Cathy, Oliver Nelson, 1989.
Biblical leadership and the development of Chick-Fil-A.

Believers in Business, Laura L. Nash, PhD, Thomas Nelson, 1994.
A sweeping overview of American Christian CEOs at work.

Racing To Win, Joe Gibbs, Multnomah Publishers, 2002.
A championship NFL coach takes his act, and faith, to NASCAR.

God is My CEO, Larry Julian, Adams Media, 2001.
20 examples of Christ-centered leaders at work in this generation.

Joy at Work, Dennis W. Bakke, PVG, 2005.
The story of how one company became more productive by making the workplace "fun".

The God Who Hung on the Cross, Dois Rossner & Ellen Vaughn, Zondervon, 2003.
An entrepreneur finishing strong by building over 1200 churches during his 'retirement.'

Great Commission Companies, Steve Rundle & Tom Steffen, InterVarsity Press, 2003.
A study of for-profit companies, worldwide, that have a missional purpose.

Mover of Men and Mountains, R.G. LeTourneau, Moody, 1972.
The compelling testimony of an early twentieth century servant leader in business.

Christian Legal References

Reclaim Your Workplace, Pacific Justice Institute, www.pacificjustice.org

The Truth about Faith in the Workplace, Alliance Defense Fund, www.alliancedefensefund.org

Workplace Rights, American Center for Law & Justice, www.aclj.org

Apologetics Resources

Jesus, Fact or Fiction?, www.JesusFactorFiction.com
DVD with "The Jesus Film" and hours of interactive apologetics materials.

The Search for Meaning: Two Friends Discuss Honest Questions About God, Bill Kroftson and Lamar Smith, Search Ministries, www.searchmin.org, 1999.

Superb 6-CD set chronicling a running conversation between friends about Christ. A great teaching resource!

How Now Shall We Live?, Charles Colson & Nancy Pearcey, Tyndale House, 1999.
A Christian worldview tour-de-force, updating Francis Schaeffer's seminal work.

The Case for a Creator, Lee Strobel, Zondervan, 2004.
An up-to-date primer on the clear, compelling evidence for "intelligent design".

The Case for Christ, Lee Strobel, Zondervan, 1998.
A journalist's personal investigation of the evidence for Jesus.

The Case for Faith, Lee Strobel, Zondervan, 2000.
A journalist investigates the toughest objections to Christianity.

Total Truth, Nancy Pearcey, Crossway Books, 2004.
Teaches principles of a Christian worldview not as religious truth but truth about total reality.

The New Evidence That Demands a Verdict, Josh McDowell, Thomas Nelson, 1999.
A solid equipping resource for those committed to defending and sharing the Gospel.

More Than a Carpenter, Josh McDowell, Living Books/Tyndale, 1977.
A classic primer which presents Christ and the Christian life to skeptics.

Serious Times, James Emery White, InterVarsity Press, 2004.
Making your life matter in an urgent day. A sweeping, yet concise, historical review and call to action.

The Good Life, Charles Colson & Harold Fickett, Tyndale House, 2005.
A probing, intellectually satisfying discussion of "the good life" which connects with today's culture.

The Reason for God, Timothy Keller, Dutton/Penguin, 2008.
A rational defense of the truth which engages contemporary atheists, agnostics, intellectuals and skeptics.

Other Helpful Christian Business Websites

www.WorkplaceMinistry.org or **www.HisChurchatWork.org**
Broad resource site with interesting materials (Doug Spada.)

www.MarketplaceLeaders.org
Excellent source for many useful Power Point presentations and TGIF Daily Devotionals (Os Hillman).

www.EpiphanyResources.com/9to5/
A helpful site provided by the Charleston Southern University School of Business, offering articles, case studies, self-assessment tools, and 9 to 5 Magazine (Mike Zigarelli)

www.BusinessAsMissionNetwork.com
A Christian business community site aimed particularly at off-shore 'business as mission.'