

# Where Do You Fit in the Marketplace?

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CHRISTIANS IN THE MARKETPLACE & MINISTRY

# "The 9 to 5 Window"

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**"The 9 to 5 Window"** is the time that many people find frustrating because they do not understand that this time can be used as a "purpose driven time".

Did you know that **60%** of your waking hours are spent at the workplace? God has always made the marketplace a hub for ministry.

This window of time is where all of what you know biblically can be used to encourage, mentor, help others in business, government or whatever your profession may be.

**47%** say preaching is irrelevant to daily life. "London Institute for Contemporary Christianity"



## We Have a Vantage Point

It is critical for Christians to utilize their "spiritual gifts" (1 Corinthians 12) in the marketplace to bring added value, solutions and practical answers for those with whom we encounter.

# The Importance of Marketplace Leaders

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Marketplace leaders are very valuable just as Ministry leaders are valuable. Our point today is to define both leaders so that we can understand the importance of "both leaders" so that we harvest the fields in an impactful way.

Societal changes are made through *Teachers, Governors, Doctors, Activist, Lawyers, etc.* Marketplace leaders as well as Ministry leaders have a "passion" to serve God to their fullest and oftentimes are not certain IF they can serve God in the positions that they are currently in.

The book of **Daniel** shows us just ONE example of a marketplace leader.

# What Are the 7 Pillars of Society?

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# IMPACT

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When a true IMPACT is made you MUST include all of the 7 Pillars of Society. Prayer without works will not work!

Christians must reassess how we evangelize, govern and how economic advancements are to be made to make an impact in our cities, states and country -without having strings attached to our assignment/calling.



# DANIEL

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God made it very clear that Daniel was an example of a stellar "marketplace leader". While Daniel was a committed Christian he was also sought out for his wisdom, spiritual gifts and his understanding of how to walk in influential places.

His lifestyle brought many to serve his God. This was because of Daniel's standard of living, his uncommon wisdom and his fitness.

Daniel made an unashamed impact in every environment that he entered. All modern day Daniel's stay in worship!



# Working the Daniel 1 Principle

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**Daniel 1:3** And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring "certain" of the children of Israel, and of the kings seed, and of the princes: 4) children in whom was *no blemish, but well favored, and skillful in all wisdom, and cunning in knowledge, and understanding science, and such as had ability in them to "stand" in the kings palace, and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans.*

**Daniel 1:19-20** And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the king. 20) And in all matters of wisdom and understanding, that the king inquired of them, he found them **TEN TIMES** better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm.



## You MUST Bring Added Value

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# What Am I Saying?

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I am saying...

"THAT YOU HAVE TO BE SO GOOD THAT THEY  
CAN'T DO WITHOUT YOU"

-The Holy Spirit

# Marketplace/Ministry Scenarios

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We will take some time to breakup in groups to discuss very REAL marketplace and ministry scenarios and put the RIGHT answers in place.

## **Closing "Mottos"**

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**"Your Feet Will NEVER Go Where Your Mind Has  
NEVER BEEN"- Mike Murdock**

**AND**

**"Your Success Is My Desire"-Dr. C**