

# Communications God’s Way

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## Video Notes

### Discussion Questions

1. In business, there are many ways and reasons for communication. What are some ways and reasons for communication and is one way better than the other? Explain.

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2. The way we communicate can be helpful or hurtful within your company. Johnnie says, “It’s important to grow in your internal and external communication skills, and if needed, retain a communications advisor.” In what situations have you seen it necessary to have an advisor help with communication within your business? Share of a time when communication went poorly for you.

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3. Managing crisis, controversy, or scandals internally and externally through communication are important. Because our culture demands hyper transparency, how should we as business leaders navigate these challenges? Keep in mind, Proverbs 12:18, (NIV) says, “*The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing*”. and Eph. 4:15 (NIV) says, “*Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.*”

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4. Communicating within a Biblical Worldview, requires a balance between truth and love. The Apostle Paul says in 1 Cor. Chapter 10:23 (NIV), “Everything is permissible for me, but not everything is beneficial”. Proverbs 16:23 (NIV) says, “The heart of the wise teaches his mouth and adds persuasiveness to his lips.” What are these verses saying to you?

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5. Paul said in Colossians 4:6 (NIV) “*Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.*” Jesus said in Matthew 5:16 (NIV), “*In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.*” As a Christian business leader, how might learning to communicate better, help you live out your faith at work? How might it help those you communicate too?

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6. James 1:19-20 (NIV) says, “*My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, 20 because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires.*” Thinking before you speak, write or tweet is a simple piece of advice for all business leaders. According to verse 20, what is the outcome that God desires from us as we live out our faith in the workplace? Why is this so hard for us to do and how can we become better?

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## Application

What has been your one takeaway you can work on and use immediately?

## Going Deeper

This section is an extension of the above materials and is designed for a deeper study/devotion on your own. Read the scriptures below and take some time to journal and put this content into practice and help shape your culture at work.

1. Communicating God’s way, requires that we apply God’s word to our work. Read 1 Peter 3:8-12 and write down steps you can take to grow in the way you communicate.

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2. If the goal of communication is to build others up and be an example of righteousness, read Proverbs 18:21 and write down what you can change in the way you communicate. List one person you will begin this change with this week.

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