

# Developing a Ministry Plan

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## Video Notes

### Discussion Questions

1. What stood out the most to you in this video?

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2. 1 Corinthians 10:31 says, *“So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.”* How does this verse apply to business in general and why is developing a ministry plan a great idea for our business? Is this something you have ever thought about? Why or why not?

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3. Rick talks about the 5 elements of a ministry plan beginning with evangelism. He talked about boundaries that we need to have. Why is it important to have boundaries when it comes to evangelism or discipleship in the workplace today? Many business leaders tell me that they can't mention God or talk about their faith at work at all. Jesus said in Matthew 10:32, *“Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven.”* Discuss how easy or hard it is for you to be evangelistic and share the Gospel in the workplace.

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4. After people come to Christ, they need to grow in Christ. Ideas like Forum Groups, workplace Bible studies and prayer groups are all ways to help people grow. Some companies allow these kinds of groups to form while others don't. What would it look like to do something where you work? If not, what creative ways can you think of to add discipleship into your workplace?

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5. The final part of a ministry plan includes ways to love others in the workplace. Why is this step important in developing a ministry plan and how well does your company love its employees and their families, their customers, suppliers and competitors? Share examples.

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6. Galatians 6:9 says, *"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."* How can actively seeking opportunities to positively impact the lives of your employees, customers, and the community through acts of service and compassion affect the overall culture of your company? What are some ideas your company can do to serve the community?

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## Application

A ministry plan can be scary to develop and takes a leap of faith. What is one hurdle you would have to overcome to integrate a ministry plan into your company? What can you do this week to start working on it?

## Going Deeper

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

1. A ministry plan within a business involves integrating biblical principles, values, and practices into the core operations, culture, and mission of the organization. Read Proverbs 16:3 and write down some steps you can take to help you develop Spiritual Development in your company. Write out what a ministry plan mission statement might look like for your company along with the challenges you may face.

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2. Read Proverbs 15:22. What does this verse tell you about the importance of spiritual counsel when making decisions. Think of another business owner or someone who can help you develop a ministry plan for your business and set up a meeting. Write out a few questions below to ask this person about how they integrated a ministry plan into their company, what it looks like and how they did it. Take their advice and begin putting your own plan together for your company.

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