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MESSAGE APPLICATION Guide

Please feel free to pick and choose questions that relate best to you and your Life Group.

Business NOT as Usual Week 1

ICE-BREAKER: When have you experienced extreme integrity in the workplace? When have you experienced an extreme lack of integrity in the workplace?

Have you ever had to take a stand that made you stand out at work? What happened? What is the price we might pay for exercising biblical integrity in the workplace?

READ: Proverbs 10:9 and Proverbs 20:7

How do these verses motivate you to live a life of integrity at work and at home?

Why should we exercise biblical ethics and strive to maintain our integrity in a world that seems to value money over morality and profit over principles?

READ: Proverbs 11:1 (The Message)

“GOD hates cheating in the marketplace; he loves it when business is aboveboard.”

Do most companies/people really live out biblical values when they're dealing with competitors? What are some principles that might apply?

How should businesses apply biblical values when they're promoting a product, making a deal, or promising a delivery date?

Is honesty always the first consideration when you're doing things like filling out expense reports, filing taxes, or accounting for tips?

Christians are expected to follow the Golden Rule by treating others the way we want to be treated. So, how can we justify things like; 1) Producing products that are substandard? 2) Treating women or minorities as second-class employees? 3) Giving less than a full day's work for a full day's pay?

Is “Love is a legitimate business strategy”? How might this strategy apply where you work? What would change as a result?

Honestly, do biblical ethics really make sense in today's workplace?