



Impact: Earning the Right to be Heard

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Five Essentials for Spiritual Influence

1. Spiritual influence requires _____
2. Spiritual influence requires _____
3. Spiritual influence requires _____ of _____
4. Spiritual influence requires _____
5. Spiritual influence requires _____

T-90 Small Group Questions

Getting Started:

- Have you ever had a person really listen to you? How does that feel?
- Have you ever had someone not listen? How does that feel?
- If a person doesn't trust us, they won't trust what we say about Jesus. What builds trust in a relationship?

Digging In:

1. What kinds of emotional barriers do people have against Christianity and Christians?
2. How much do non-Christians really notice what we do at work? How is it positive or negative?
3. What kinds of things do we Christians do that can cause non-Christians to put up an emotional barrier against Christians?
4. Look at Ecclesiastes 9:10; Proverbs 22:29; Colossians 3:23. What does the Bible say about pursuing excellence in the workplace?
5. Read 1 Corinthians 9:19-27; Philippians 2:14-15. How dedicated are we to be in our pursuit of excellence?
6. Read Matthew 4:19; Galatians 5:22-23. Where does Christlike character come from? What does it accomplish?

Taking It Home:

7. Would people who know you around home or at work say you demonstrate the trust building traits that create a good spiritual influence? Is there a need to improve?
8. In your relationship with non-Christians in the workplace, have you tended to focus more on the heart or the head?
9. List several things you can do to build trust in the people around you. Pray about these things.