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This was the time-honored method of serving Christ in taking dominion of all things for him **through work** in ever-increasing effectiveness over the generations.

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The Botkin Family 200 Year Plan

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We line up our interests with the Lord's, and according to the great battles of our generation

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Every goal is a challenge that requires prior preparation:
[Book, 2010: The Entrepreneurial Revolution – Ben]

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The names on this plan are patriarchal cultural leaders in vastly important, world changing endeavors to restore a common faith to a dying world.
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 "Disbanding of teacher's union; privatization of all NZ education"

It's a screening device that prevents us from casting pearls before people who would not appreciate the message.

It gives a patriarch confidence that his life is counting for eternity and that his time has been wisely invested in a legacy that will bring long-term glory to Christ.

Simply making a 200-year plan is not enough to guarantee that your sons will have their own vision.

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What motivated the creation of the 200 year plan?

Geware lest any man spoil you (take you captive) through philosophy and vain deceit, according to the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.
Col 2:8

⁶ This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.⁹

- Matthew 15:8

Discovery 1

The Christianity of 20th Century America was not a faithful representation of biblical Christianity.

Traditions of men and commandments of men had compromised church leaders across the West **and all who followed them.**

Discovery 2

The apostate church was responsible for corruption or waywardness **across society**:

family, culture, civil government, and business.

Discovery 3

Every one of these institutions need and demand serious reform through repentance, study, leadership and faithfulness over several generations.

Fact 1:

This need for reformation is both a moral test and a great opportunity.

Will we follow the previous errors or will we lead a reformation all across the West? Fact 2:

Today's reformers live in a transitional period between apostasy and advancement, between defeat and victory, between slavery and freedom. Reformation won't happen overnight, but leaders must act now to begin.

Where and how does the reformation begin?

With alarm,

desire

and wisdom.



53 Horror hath taken hold upon me
because of the wicked that forsake thy law.
54 Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage.

Desire for freedom

Psalm 119:134

134 *Deliver me from the oppression of man:* so will I keep thy precepts. **Desire for the favor of God** Psalm 119:135 **135** *Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy statutes.* Desire for the honor of God Psalm 119:136 136 Rivers of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy law.



1 Chronicles 12:32 ...the children of Issachar...had **understanding of the times** and knew what Israel should do. How well do we know our own generation? What do we know about the men?

"Bored wastrels with a slave mentality."

-- DWP

"Prodigals who have grown comfortable with paganism"

-- DWP

American men 40-65 are the world's wealthiest men in terms of resources, possessions, worldly standard of living, access to Biblical literacy, and in their knowledge of the world's primary business language (English).

Yet they are also among the world's most financially discontented, spiritually confused, debtplagued, politically disenfranchised and socially emasculated. American Christian men live as if they will never die; many die with regret **as if they had never lived.** Most Christians wise-up, but too late.

In old age, when thinking about eternal happiness, they realize their lives had superficial happiness at best. Many realize this after losing health in making money, and then in losing money in vain attempts to regain health. Many realize this after losing their children to the world.

Many middle-aged Christians (who know better) Spend their time with others who have made the same mistakes in life, Lest they be reminded of failure or convicted of sin. I wasted my life and I never knew my kids and I let them down. Don't remind me. Don't instruct me. It's too late for my family. Your teaching is right; everything is true; it makes perfect sense; but that kind of Christianity just won't work in today's world.

Fact 3:

Christianity **does work** when men obey because God is faithful to the covenant, and his loving wisdom is superior to the traditions of men.

Fact 4:

The Christian life is not to be anxious vanity, regret, confusion and defeat.It is to be joyful, fruitful, blessed and abundant to many generations.

Fact 5:

For much of the 20th century, Christian men have not acted like Christian men.

Some timidly retreated from duty. Others boldly charged after worldly distractions.



Fact 6:

In America, the pursuit of the American dream has been an idolatrous love affair with mammon at the expense of biblical obedience. Today America is under God's promised judgment because of this willful lawlessness.
THE AMERICAN AND HIS ECONOMY The greatest challenge to Christianity today is a popular, bland, respectable faith termed secular humanism. It is often called "the American Way of Life. FAMILY BUYS 'BEST \$15,00 It is not godless, but it keeps God in His place, the pulpit. *It is the orthodoxy of the nonbeliever.* It simply says, "Take up your credit card and follow me. 77 - Life magazine

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Fact 7:

In the 19th century, Protestant pulpits contributed to this idolatry for reasons related to greed, compromise and the lust for worldly acceptance in a world overwrought with scientific infatuation.

Instead of being leaders, pastors became followers of the traditions of men and very much a part of cosmopolitan culture. The word of God passed from a place of importance to religious jargon. The "world" discipled the church, not the other way around.

Entrepreneurial business and culture then slipped off the foundations of Christendom and became corrupt.

Amos 8:8 Shall not the land tremble for this (business inequity), and every one mourn that dwelleth therein?... Amos 8:11 Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water,

but of hearing the words of the Lord

Corrupt economics and sociology began with the mainline church...

The minutes of 1834 Boston meetings (held by the Massachusetts Historical Society) shows how leaders led by Pastor Channing discussed ways to lower the literacy rates of the Northeast (99.8 percent in CT and 98 percent in MA) because there was **too much "entrepreneurial exuberance".** Pastors wanted a corporation-driven economy with stability of wages, and mediocre, stable congregations.

In 1900, pastors were still endorsing the concept of "protected privilege for only a few special producers" ... a new social order that would be scientifically sustained by forced schooling and a universal curriculum.

In 1900, in his book *Corporations and the Public Welfare*, James Dill warned that the most critical social question of the day was *figuring out how to get rid of the small entrepreneur*, yet at the same time retain his loyalty "to a system based on private enterprise."

Solution:

let the schools eliminate the habits which lead directly to small entrepreneurship.

The principles of the business revolution which gave us schooling are still virtually unknown to the public.

Competition was effectively crippled nearly a century ago when, profoundly influenced by doctrines of positivism and scientific Darwinism, corporate innovators urged the mogul class to reconstruct America and then the world, in the [socialist] corporate image ?? -- John Taylor Gatto By 1905, 81% of wage earners where employed by corporations.

That was not enough.

Publisher Henry Holt, speaking in 1908, said there was "too much enterprise."
Excessive overproduction of brains is the root cause of the overproduction of everything else, he said.
And the schools must be the catalyst to emasculate man's entrepreneurial energy. "The chief end of schooling, wrote Benjamin Kidd, in 1918, was to "impose on the young the ideal of subordination.""

"At first, the primary target was the tradition of independent livelihoods in America."

Yankee entrepreneurialism was to be extinguished."

In 1919, the American Baptist Association came out with a book in support of the new social order called *"The New World Order"* favorable to a corporate utopia. If we educated better we could not sustain the corporate utopia we have made.
 Schools build national wealth by tearing down personal ?? sovereignty, morality, and family life. It was a trade-off. – John Taylor Gatto Pastors endorsed the trade-off for all the wrong reasons.

"The new empire demanded that old-fashioned character be schooled out of children in a hurry."

Gatto

Fact 8:

The culture was lost for Christ because the 20th century evangelical church misled and betrayed American entrepreneurs

with counter-biblical ecclesiology, compromised abandonment theology, and a worldly orthopraxy of appeasement with the state.

Fact 9:

American businessmen and employees were led to disregard Christ's commands. They were led by a timid church to submit to statist masters to pursue personal mammon for personal security provided by an economy stabilized by a rival deity.

By 1905 the nation obeyed [the] clarion call coast to coast: 'Keep all youth in school full time through grade twelve.'

Gatto

It has come to be desirable that children should not engage in productive labor.
 -- Ellwood P. Cubberley's
 Public Education in the United States, 1934

6 6 As long as the entire population could become producers, young people were loose cannon crashing around a storm-tossed deck, threatening to destroy the corporate ship. Confined, however, to employee status, they became suitable ballast upon which a dependable domestic market could be erected. -- John Taylor Gatto

Fact 10: Led by compromising pastors, modern evangelical culture departed from the historic faith by syncretizing with a world system intent on emasculating men.

H.H. Goddard, head of the Psychology Department at Princeton, said in his book, *Human Eficiency* (1920) that government schooling was about "the perfect organization of the hive."
He said standardized testing was a way to make lower classes recognize their own inferiority.

Like wearing a dunce cap, it would discourage them from breeding and having ambition. • "Look...at the seven lessons of schoolteaching: confusion, class position, indifference, emotional and intellectual dependency, conditional self-esteem, surveillance -- all of these things are prime training for permanent underclasses, people deprived forever of finding the center of their own special genius. Since the 1920s ...

 "We ...have a national curriculum locked up in the seven lessons I have just outlined. <u>Such a curriculum produces</u> <u>physical, moral, and intellectual paralysis</u>, and no curriculum of content will be sufficient to reverse its hideous effects. Schools teach exactly what they are intended to teach and they do it well"

– John Taylor Gatto

How many churches warned their congregations in the 1920s, 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s, about what the schools were teaching and what it would do to the character of men? Calvin warned protestants about church-driven complicity and syncretism with corrupt culture:

"The meetings [are] profane conventicles. The Church [is] no longer the pillar of the truth, but the stay of falsehood, not the tabernacle of the living God, but a receptacle of idols. Consent[ing] to their meetings... [is] nothing else than impious conspiracy against God. The meetings are contaminated by idolatry, superstition, and impious doctrine." **66** If a Christian agrees with them he will greatly err.

Instead of the ministry of the word, they are schools of impiety, and sinks of all kinds of error. These are unlawful meetings.

-- Calvin, Book 4, Chapter 2, Section 10, Institutes.

Fact 11: American men have erred by agreeing with counter-biblical ideas popular since the 19th century.

Which ones have been more common?

A professional clergy class will oversee ecclesio-sacred affairs, which are separate from secular affairs.

The kingdom of God is a sacred topic too complex for laymen and completely outside their competence to comprehend.



It is not in the interest of the church for secular men to become spiritually mature. If that happened, the state would lose its licensed clergy class.

If you compliantly believe the teaching of the church, you will be blessed financially.

The role of secular men is to pursue personal peace and affluence in a secular way, and silently support the programs of the pragmatic, edifice-centered, debt-burdened church, which relieves men of authority and family responsibility by directing humanistic programs at women and children.

The church is entitled to retain the funds of one tithe internally. Because this is conveniently tax-deductible, don't expect the church to teach anything about civil society and legal jurisdictions, because "we're not permitted to."

[1] Steve Nestor, IRS Sr. Revenue Officer (ret.):

"I am not the only IRS employee who's wondered why churches go to the government and seek permission to be exempted from a tax they didn't owe to begin with, and to seek a tax deductible status that they've always had anyway.

Many of us have marveled at how

church leaders want to be regulated and controlled by an agency of government that most Americans have prayed would just get out of their lives.

Churches are in an amazingly unique position,

but they don't seem to know or appreciate the implications of what it would mean to be free of government control." Because the government says it's the government's job to take care of the young, the needy and the old, the government-licensed church must not argue with the entity that awards licenses to some and not others.

Because the government is so thorough in assuming the patriciate, your children don't need you or your estate. The ministry is entitled to any financial inheritance you would otherwise give to your children before the state takes

Because your place is in the secular realm, it matters little what direction your vocational or investment portfolio takes you, so long as it is pragmatically rewarding in terms of financial gain.
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To the extent that worldly credentials help you earn more in the corporate world or government sector, submit to worldly accreditation.

"Notice, men, how your clergy honors worldly accreditation. Please admire the lovely documents on our walls which qualify us to teach you a changing diet of secular ideas." In short, "secular" men have the blessing of the church to disregard the hard commands of Christ and to order their lives to the new social order. Millions of Christian men made a grave error in supporting doctrines and methods that have robbed the church of her glory, created a dictatorial tyrannical state, impoverished their families, and wasted their lives. This is the tragic legacy of the men of the 20th century. Cowardice and materialism and idolatry. These have led to: the pragmatic surrender of the kingdom, the triumph of a godless planned economy, the growth of an impotent church, and families of wayward children.

The result:

Christian leaders perpetuate a message of defeat:

Biblical Christianity won't work today because the survival of Christians is based on our planned economy, which is based on government schooling and credentials for professions and employment.
 We have to matriculate for the benefit of the state and work for the benefit of the state and the state doesn't want Biblical Christianity to interfere in its authoritative control. ??
 Evangelical pastor in 2005

The message of victory: Men do not need to be slaves of the state to be successful in business. Men do not need to abandon business enterprises in order to restore the family and the church and the civil government to biblical greatness.

Fact 12:

By God's grace and favor, masculine entrepreneurial energy is one of the main forces that will drive the spiritual reformation of the 21st century.

Reformation 101:

The reformation of the 21st century will be characterized by a vibrant rediscovery of the biblical business model and the way it re-integrates patriarchal leadership back into the home, church and government. Business will no longer be a retreat from kingdom responsibility. Business will be a means to adventure one's dynasty, one's gifts, one's manhood in service of the King of Kings. The business model will be the great financial engine of worldwide reformation.

By God's grace, this Business model will simultaneously prosper with the biblical Father Model, Family Model, Church Model, and Government Model.

But before we look at these models that will drive the reformation, we need to look at the requirements for reformation:

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Repentance and Reorientation

Psalm 81:11 ...my people would not hearken to my voice... Psalm 81:12 So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lust: and they walked in their own counsels.

a.

We must acknowledge that we have been discipled by the wisdom of man and are captive/enslaved to many ideas and desires that are not godly. In short, we're ruined slaves, not free and independent masters of industry or anything else.



We must acknowledge that our selfish ambition steers our blind aspirations into sin, poverty and enmity with God.

We like the world.

1 John 2:15

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world.

James 4:4

Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

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We must reject the Babel Business Model that has oriented us to self-glorification and even self-deification.
Our business achievements/creations/acquisitions do not make us business-gods, even though the world would have us believe we control the destinies of men, and deserve firstclass treatment as we go about our important work. Best-selling business "expertise" on human efficiency is not hard to learn.

- Trends in bottom-line priorities
 Trends in management dexterity
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- PPBS (Planning, Programming, Budgeting, Management System)
 MBO (Management by Objectives)
 Psychographic management methods

There is one vain premise that drives these popular rudiments of the world:
Control of the inferior by the superior through Gnostic manipulation.

What are pop business leaders preaching?

The power of your emotional influence in getting ahead Tony Robbins

Manipulation of the competition in your negotiations Chester Karras

The Magic of Thinking Big David Schwartz

If Harry Potter Ran General Electric: Wisdom from the World of the Wizards Tom Morris

Blue Ocean Strategy: How to Create Uncontested Market Space/Make Competition Irrelevant Chan Kim Profound Knowledge Edwards Deming The third Wave Alvin Toffler

The corporation is the "master"

Peter Drucker

The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People Stephen R. Covey

The Millionaire Next Door Thomas J. Stanley, William D. Danko

The Think and Grow Rich Napoleon Hill
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Cracking the Millionaire Code Mark Victor Hansen, Robert G. Allen Be careful with pragmatic business advice. Even ten percent of harmful advice can harm the customers and employees touched by your business.

Harmful advice can defile your family far into the future.

Today's high-minded elites pride themselves on knowledge of mass-psychology or micro-psychology techniques, which are dressed-up in the terminology of modern business. Too many Christian men have embraced these rudiments of Hegelian tactical manipulation, which favor using industry and business and management to transform human nature or the social order. Christian men have no business idolizing pop literature that perverts scriptural principles.



We must acknowledge that we often pursue our own interests and not those of Christ.

Phil 2:19 But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timotheus shortly unto you...
Phil 2:20 For I have no man likeminded, who will naturally care for your state. For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's.

> 1 Cor 10:24 Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth.



We must acknowledge that our efforts to make mammon-worship sophisticated and innocent have turned avarice into a "virtue" with worldly nobility.

This is perverse high-mindedness, and creates disorder and every evil thing.

It has made the modern business world a rogue's playground, which can only be reformed by men who think biblically and act responsibly.

Men who have a problem with avarice cannot be shepherds of God's people.

AV'ARICE, n. [L. avaritia, from avarus, from aveo, to covet.] An inordinate desire of gaining and Luke 16:15 And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that



Luke 12:20 But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? Luke 12:21 So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

Wealth in God's economy is:

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- b) character and wisdom used in the shepherding of souls who are complete in Christ.
- c) Peoples, tribes and nations who bow the knee willingly to Christ
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- e) Faithfulness to preserve inherited wealth to establish his covenant in the earth.

g) Children

h) Freedom

i) Properly invested assets of all kinds

• Col. 1. 28 We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ.

29 For this purpose...I labor, striving according to His power, which mightily works within me.

Entrepreneurial Expansion of the Kingdom of God Mature business ventures advance the Kingdom of God, seeking the interests of the King. Mature entrepreneurs play the role of change agents in the culture, by:

Adopting a mission to create and sustain social reformation (not just private value),

Recognizing and relentlessly pursuing new opportunities to serve that mission,

Engaging in a process of continuous innovation, adaptation, and learning,

Acting boldly without being limited by resources currently in hand, and

Exhibiting a heightened sense of responsibility to all who are served but especially Christ.

The kingdom is the realm of Christ's lawful jurisdiction. Here it is required that his authority as King be properly recognized. This realm or dominion includes all of heaven and all of earth at all times. Mat 6:10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Luke 12:30 For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things.

But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

How do we train our children to honorably manage large Christian estates, to think long-term, to have the entrepreneurial spirit, to treasure the King's interests, to have a big vision after we are gone?

The success and joy and wisdom we want them to have are tied to the obedience they learn to emulate as they see us seeking ways to obey Jesus Christ every day.

Psalm 112

Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.

2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.