

# How Christian Entrepreneurs Are Changing the Business World

Video Transcript

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In this video, I want to talk to you about the most incredible power—the most amazing hack, if you will—for business growth. When God is advancing His Kingdom in the earth, wealth and business, occupying in industries—wellness, medical, financial—is all a part of the Kingdom mandate to go and have dominion and subdue.

So there is a gift of God that gives you power for this in the most immense way, and I want to talk about that today. It is prayer and fasting. I already know some of you watching this are thinking, “Oh, I’m bored,” or “I’m not interested.” Wait, wait, wait, wait...

Wait. I need you to know, in the Kingdom life, there is nowhere else for power for you. You can walk with the Lord, you can hear His voice and enjoy studying the Bible, and you feel like God really, really touched your heart in Scripture and you hear God. That's beautiful—keep doing that. You can enjoy church, and just the worship time was amazing, and you really felt like there was great connection, and man, the preaching was so good and you felt so fed.

But I need you to know, there isn't yet the kind of power that you need for absolutely incredible breakthrough in building, going, in building wealth. It can only come through this one protocol that the Lord has given—and that's prayer and fasting. Prayer and fasting will bring power. Power will come through prayer and fasting.

So when you turn to the Scriptures, there's so much there about fasting, and I encourage you: just dive into Isaiah 58 and look at the incredible results of sincere, faithful, joy-filled, God-honoring fasting. And I'd say it that way because you can be fasting in a religious way and just be super boring and not really get a breakthrough. Fasting must be sincere—to honor the Lord, to please the Lord. It should be done in studying the Scriptures. It should be done in enjoying worship, really communing with God, really putting other things out of your life—those pleasures of food and of endless coffees.

If you're like me, I love my coffee, and you're just reaching for the snacks. Just give that breakfast time, lunchtime, dinnertime that you'd normally eat—give it to God. It's so, so powerful.

Think about how food—nutrients, proteins, your macros, all of those things—are to the body to make you faster, to make you stronger, to develop your muscle, to get that protein in you after the gym. As food is for the body, so fasting is for your spirit. It feeds the things of the spirit. It builds that spiritual bank account in there so you have just magnified the fortitude to draw from in your business dealings. So the way food is for the body, so fasting is to the spirit.

I want to just give you this one verse right in the middle of this video here. Go to Luke chapter 4. You see, Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit. This is for your business. This is for your Kingdom activity in advancing your business. This is the real power of it.

But look what happened to Jesus. Jesus was led by the Spirit—two big sections here. First, led by the Spirit into the wilderness. He's going into the wilderness. So being led by the Spirit actually takes you places that are not like your big American dream and comfort and “look at me rolling up in my big vehicle, I'm the successful guy.” It actually takes you into difficult places where you have to confront things in your own heart, in your own mind, and confront the devil himself. And Jesus was tempted by the devil. This is the leading of the Spirit. This is how business is done.

I know billionaires who spend days and days fasting to move demonic strongholds out of the way, to hear from God in the most profound way, to bring power and might and strength before they move into a particular industry. They realize that Jesus taught the gates of Hades will not prevail against the church. He taught there are gates, there are strongholds, there are dark forces of wickedness that stand and try to accost the church—and your industry.

It's that Revelation chapter 18—that Babylonian stronghold. It's that Jezebel spirit that wants rule, that does work and arrangement and agreements with traders and merchants and industries—Revelation chapter 18 of every kind. You are not going to pull up gates that have been in your industry for generations—strongholds of evil and wickedness that want to push blindness on people, cancer on people, distress on people. You're not going to pull up those gates by rolling in with your chewing gum, popping bubbles, and thinking you're amazing because you've got your nice fit and your nice vehicle and you created an LLC. Oh, well done. Oh, that's so great.

That's not going to happen that way. You need true spiritual power and might.

So, second big amazing piece of Luke chapter 4: Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness. He was confronted by the devil, tempted by the devil. He's in this place. Here's the amazing thing—after 40 days, Scripture teaches (I think it's verse 14), He hungered. He was then led in the power of the Holy Spirit, and His fame spread through all of the region.

Did you catch it? The contrast—you can have the Holy Spirit, sure. The Father supplies the Holy Spirit. You can be led by the Spirit—that's great. But to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit, you will have to learn the discipline of forsaking fleshly desires and appetites, the discipline of obeying all of God's counsel in His Word.

Isaiah 58—your light will burst forth like the dawn. You will have to do it God's way. You will have to do it His way—His protocol. And then you will know what it is to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit and have your fame spread through the region for the glory of God, for the interest of the Kingdom.

Your business activity—and people will come to you in that. You will be part of the prophetic fulfillment of Scripture as your business prospers under the anointing of God. The Kingdom of

God has a protocol. It brings blessing over to you, and it comes. It says, “Come on in. I see that Larry over here—he's in prayer and fasting. Hey, Kingdom protocol, call the Scripture, the covenant of God says all of these things will be added to you. Seek first the Kingdom.”

“Come on over here, boys. Let's bring the resources in for Larry. Bring the people. Bring the tradesmen. Bring the contracts. Bring the arrangements. Bring the buildings. Bring the land. Bring the vehicles. This guy is a Kingdom man. He's on it—in obedience to the Kingdom of God—and all these things will be added to you.”

That is how to walk in the power of God. It's obedience. It's being a remnant. It's being that 7,000 who did not bow the knee to Baal. It's forsaking the interests and the attractions of satanic things of this life and crafting a business for the glory and interests of King Jesus and His Kingdom.

If you will fast and pray, then you will experience great success. God will be putting an anointing on your business activity if you're aligned with His covenant and if you're sincere. Then you'll experience incredible power.

So what's happening over these 21 days? As a church and as a family of churches globally, we are in a 21-day season of fasting. We have determined to give God January. And if you give God the first things, He gives you the rest. You give God the first fruits—you get blessed. And it's His promise in Scripture.

So it's not an ugly prosperity gospel where “if I do this, He's like a genie in the lamp.” It's coming to God in radical obedience and worshiping Him according to His Word. And He said you'll experience 30, 60, 100-fold.

If you want that kind of power, you will have to change and be a person of diligence and discipline. And you have to face your own shortcomings. The skeletons in the closet—and we're all the same. We're all the same. And when you ascend to those greater levels of diligence and stewardship, you will then see the next things: frailty, fear, addiction, bad habits in your life. So there's—there's no one who is a perfect saint here. All of us are just, by the grace of God, learning to be more honest.

And if you're honest, you should not be doing business in your own strength, because you'll either become an ugly monster or you'll just fall apart and deflate like a balloon. Prayer and fasting is how Jesus was led in the power of the Holy Spirit—and that's your secret source for you.

So I hope that blesses you today. I just urge you: ask the Lord, “Lord, how many days am I fasting? How am I going to break through?” Get your instructions from Him. Bring Him your sincerity. Pour out your agony, your griefs before Him. He is the great, great merciful, gracious Shepherd of our souls, and He's provided the Holy Spirit to guide you into the truth. He will take you step by step. He'll lead you that way.

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