# **BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES OF MANAGEMENT**

# SECTION 1 THE BIBLICAL CONCEPT OF SUCCESS

# I. WHAT IS SUCCESS?

#### II. WHO WAS SUCCESSFUL?

- A. Extraordinary Spirit
- B. Responsible
- C. Courageous Commitment
- D. Vital Prayer Life
- E. Thankful Spirit
- F. God was Glorified in his Life
- G. He Trusted God

# CONCLUSION

# SECTION 2 FIVE KEY GUIDELINE PRINCIPLES

#### INTRODUCTION

PRINCIPLE #1: ACCOUNTABILITY

PRINCIPLE #2: CREDIBILITY

**PRINCIPLE #3: DISTRACTION** 

**PRINCIPLE #4: DIFFUSION** 

PRINCIPLE #5: PERCEIVED BENEFITS

CONCLUSION

# SECTION 3 TWO TYPES OF MANAGEMENT

# **INTRODUCTION**

#### I. REHOBOAM'S MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS

- A. Solutions
- B. The Decision
- C. The Result

#### II. HOW CAN YOU BECOME A PARTICIPATIVE MANAGER?

- A. Develop a Participative Management Style
  - 1. Involve your people in setting goals for the organization
  - 2. You encourage them to set personal goals

- 3. Have regular feed back times
- 4. Give them a chance to respond to a proposed decision
- B. Loving versus Using People
- C. Leading By Example
- D. Developing a Servant's Heart
  - 1. How can a leader be a servant to his people?
  - 2. A participative manager must learn to be a good listener, and hear the petition of his people
  - 3. Rehoboam was advised to speak good words to them

# III APPLYING THE GOOD ADVICE GIVEN TO REHOBOAM

- A Make your students successful
- B. Become a good listener
- C. Learn to accentuate the positive

# CONCLUSION

# SECTION 4 PLAYING YOUR POSITION

#### INTRODUCTION

# HOW CAN A SPIRITUAL LEADER LEARN TO PLAY HIS POSITION PROPERLY?

- A. Understand the Designer's Purpose
- B. Seek to Expand Your Position
  - 1. Be alert and curious
  - 2. Continually try to understand the organization's goals and objectives
  - 3. Look for ways to improve present processes
  - 4. Be a brain picker... Learn from others
  - 5. Purpose to create variety in your work
  - 6. Understand the objectives of your fellow workers
  - 7. Research current events in your field
- C. Visualize Your Position as a Success
- D. Do Not Use Others as a Standard

#### CONCLUSION

# SECTION 5 VISION AND PLANNING

# INTRODUCTION

#### **DEVELOPING CONCRETE PLANS**

- A. Write Down Your Vision
  - 1. A clear statement of the expected result
  - 2. The perceived benefits

- 3. A strategy of execution
- 4. Consider the possible obstacles
- 5. Write down some alternative ways of doing what you want to do
- 6. Write down a timetable

#### B. Persist in Planning

- 1. Some unrealistic goals
- 2. Maybe your goals are not clearly defined
- 3. Another reason is plain old fatigue
- 4. An unrealistic timetable

#### C. What To Do While Waiting

- 1. Analyze your progress so far
- 2. Reaffirm your basic purposes to others
- 3. Use the opportunity to look for Scriptural principles which will sharpen your focus
- 4. Identify unforeseen obstacles
- 5. Look for creeping "traditionalism"
- 6. Execute today's tasks, as though it were your last day on earth

# CONCLUSION

# SECTION 6 TIME MANAGEMENT

#### INTRODUCTION

# I. YOU CANNOT DO EVERYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO

#### II. HOW TO SET PRIORITIES

- A. Make a To Do List
- B. Do Not Compartmentalize Your Life
- C. Assign an Order of Importance to These Priorities
- D. Regularly Evaluate Your Priorities

# **III. HOW TO DEAL WITH TIME WASTERS**

- A. Interruptions
- B. Meetings
- C. Efforts and Results Are Not in Perfect Agreement
- D. Curly Files
- E. Treating Symptoms Lightly
- F. Trying to Influence the Wrong Person

# CONCLUSION

# SECTION 7 THE ART OF EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

#### INTRODUCTION

# I. EFFECTIVE LISTENING

- A. Listen to God, in a personal quiet time
- B. Listen to your wife and your children
- C. Listen to your supervisor (He sets the agenda)
- D. Your students and churches
- E. Outsiders (Do you understand them?)
- F. Changing circumstances (How should you react?)
- G. Criticism (Is some of it true?)
- H. Ask Questions
  - 1. Negative Reaction Patterns
  - 2. Alternative Reactions
- I. Seek Clarification
- J. Recognize Body Language
- K. Encourage Response
- L. Concentrate

# II. EFFECTIVE SPEAKING

- A. Truthful Speech
- B. Edifying speech
- C. Gracious speech
- D. Simple speech
- E. Excellent speech

# CONCLUSION

# SECTION 8 HOW TO DEAL WITH CONFLICTS

# INTRODUCTION

- A. Misunderstandings
- B. Cross Purposes
- C. Personality Differences
- D. Substandard Performance
- E. Gossip and Rumors
- F. Preferential Treatment
- G. Inconsistent Standards
- H. Opposition from the Outside

#### CONCLUSION