



Session 14

Making a Name for Yourself at Work

I. What's in a Name?

- a. Hopefully, a growing and good reputation.
- b. What the wisdom of Solomon says
(Proverbs 22:1 - A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold)

II. Five Proven Practices for Establishing Your Name at Work

- a. Don't just work; work to be really good at something.
(Proverbs 22:29 - Do you see someone skilled in their work? They will serve before kings; they will not serve before officials of low rank.)
- b. Be responsive to those above you and earn their trust.
(Proverbs 25:13 - Like a snow-cooled drink at harvest time is a trustworthy messenger to the one who sends him; he refreshes the spirit of his master)
- c. Overdeliver.
(Proverbs 10:4 - Lazy hands make for poverty, but diligent hands bring wealth)
- d. Be an encourager and team builder.
(1 Thessalonians 5:11 - Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing)
(Ephesians 4:29 - Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.)
- e. Keep your word.
(Matthew 5:37 - All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one)
(Psalms 15:4 - "...who keeps an oath even when it hurts, and does not change their mind")

III. Two Crucial Commitments for Protecting Your Name at Work

- a. Never lie or cheat.
(Proverbs 10:9 - Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out)
 - i. Four common lies at work
 - Lying to get a job
 - Lying to advance one's career
 - Lying to make money
 - Lying when called to the carpet
 - ii. Decide now, not later
 - To always say no to deception.
(Prov. 22:3 - The prudent see danger and take refuge, but the simple keep going and pay the penalty.)
 - To always trust God for the outcome.



- b. Avoid immorality at all costs.
(1 Corinthians 6:18 - Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body)
 - i. It's vocational self-destruction.
(Proverbs 6:32 - But a man who commits adultery has no sense; whoever does so destroys himself.)
 - ii. It leaves a long-term strain on your name.
(Proverbs 6:33 - Blows and disgrace are his lot, and his shame will never be wiped away)
 - iii. Watch out for the "black widow".
(Proverbs 7:10-12, 15, 21-23)
- c. Decide now, not later ...
 - To never travel with a woman alone.
 - To have a see-through office.
 - To avoid "innocent" flirting as a married man
(Proverbs 6:25, 27 - Do not lust in your heart after her beauty or let her captivate you with her eyes. Can a man scoop fire into his lap without his clothes being burned?)
 - To have a partner watching out for you.

IV. The Benefits of a Good Name

- a. People admire you as a man.
- b. You influence others in a positive way
- c. Young men seek you out for advice and mentoring
- d. God is honored, and you feel His pleasure.
- e. You feel a deep satisfaction about your work.

V. Questions

1. React to the five proven practices for establishing a good name at work. Do you agree with them? Why or why not. Would you add an additional proven practice to the list? What would it be?
2. Which one of the five proven practices do you believe is your greatest strength at work? In which areas do you feel you need to improve? Explain.
3. What impacted you the most about today's session? Explain.

DON'T FORGET!!

Next week you will be asked to turn in your finished worksheet "10 Key Moves". This finished worksheet is required for graduation at the final Men's Fraternity Session.

- Have it typed
- Put your name on it
- Keep a copy for yourself



10 KEY MOVES – FINAL DRAFT

10 Key moves to make at home and at work that will take me to the next level of competency and satisfaction

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