

Our Culture of Transparency



SUMMARY

Iron Forums is a place where you can safely bring your issues as an entrepreneur out into the light of God's Truth so that others can help you live the most abundantly blessed life God has designed for you. We call this "Transparency." Transparency is a key part of our culture at Iron Forums. Without it, nothing improves. Jesus teaches us that "everyone who does wicked things hates the light." We strive to be the men God has called us to be, and therefore, we need accountability and an environment of authenticity like Iron Forums.

Perhaps two of the most relevant words spoken at Iron Forums are "me too." We all have struggles, and we have unique struggles as business owners — but we are not alone. We help each other through God's Biblical principles. We hold fast to confidentiality at Iron Forums. A state of transparency and authenticity is not natural to men — we must rely on God's strength to help us share what needs to be shared, rather than allow the enemy to shame us into keeping quiet. Transparency and honesty lead to the most fulfilling relationships.

We are about to watch a short video about how TRANSPARENCY has impacted a few members of Iron Forums. You may want to take a few notes as things stand out to you or seem worthy of further discussion. After the video, we'll spend some time at the tables discussing the verses and answering the questions at the bottom of this page.

SCRIPTURES

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members of one another.

— Ephesians 4:25

And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed.

— John 3:19-20

But if we walk in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

— 1 John 1:7

QUESTIONS

1. What attracts you to the culture of TRANSPARENCY in Iron Forums?
2. Is there ever a time to keep things to yourself, or when do you know you need to share something with another person who shares your perspective?
3. Which part of the snapshot is the hardest to be transparent about?
4. Which of the verses above (or others you are familiar with) speak most to you about transparency...and why?