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# CONTENT MODULE SUMMARY SHEET

# Subject of Business: KINGDOM

## INTRODUCTION

Randy Pope is a Pastor, and President of "Life on Life Ministries." This non-profit focuses on Leadership Development — a subject Randy is well acquainted with after leading Perimeter Church, one of the most consistently growing churches in Atlanta. Randy has great wisdom to share with Iron Forums members through multiple SUBJECTS we can all learn from. In this series of interviews with Gary Smith and Randy Pope, we'll cover various subjects ranging from Kingdom-to-Culture and Faith-to-Focus that you can apply to your business and your life.

## **SCRIPTURE**

"But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be provided to you"

— Matthew 6:33

"And the disciples were amazed at His words. But Jesus responded again and said to them, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!"

- Mark 10:24

#### CONTENT

We need to think about "Kingdom" in our leadership and businesses. From whose perspective are you coming from? Effective *kingdom* leaders are much different from an effective *world* leader.

We are all called in life to be great, effective leaders in the context of God's kingdom.

We need to view all of life from God's perspective. We need a **two-kingdom theology**:

- 1. A kingdom in the world where we do things with excellence
- 2. God's kingdom, where we do things that honor Him knowing that He has come, is here, and is coming again.

The questions that leaders need to ask are: What AM I here for?

Is it to make money or extend God's kingdom? We need to learn to *live in both kingdoms at the same time,* being careful not to compartmentalize them.

God's kingdom involves "truth" and truth needs to give context for every decision. The question is — what influences your view of truth?

We are all leaders in some capacity and respect. We lead ourselves and others. Our desire should be to grow and be effective. Leadership is both a skill set of talents that we are born with and a skill set that we can grow in. These skills sets are used in our calling or purpose — which is bigger than our job or company.

We do need to realize that we don't have everything and this will drive us to dependence on the Lord.

# **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Why is seeing our leadership in life and business from two kingdoms (the world's kingdom and God's kingdom) so critical?
- 2. How do you prioritize your activities as you lead in these two kingdoms?
- 3. How would you define your calling in business (it should be more than making money)?
- 4. What influences your view of truth, especially about leading in God's kingdom?
- 5. We are all leaders in some capacity -- how are you growing your leadership skill set?

## APPLICATION

- 1. Develop a Kingdom perspective.
- 2. Seek God's Kingdom first.
- 3. See yourself as a business steward rather than a business owner (God owns it all).