



**BUSINESS
GOD'S WAY**

**Self Employment, Business
& Work From Home
Opportunities**

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Agenda For This Evening

1. What is the purpose of a Godly business?
2. How do you ensure it operates according to God's pattern?
3. Principles of business from the Bible
4. Types of business and how to get started
5. Business and ministry for the end time
6. GROW
7. Case Studies
8. Resources
9. Live Q+A



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PRAYER

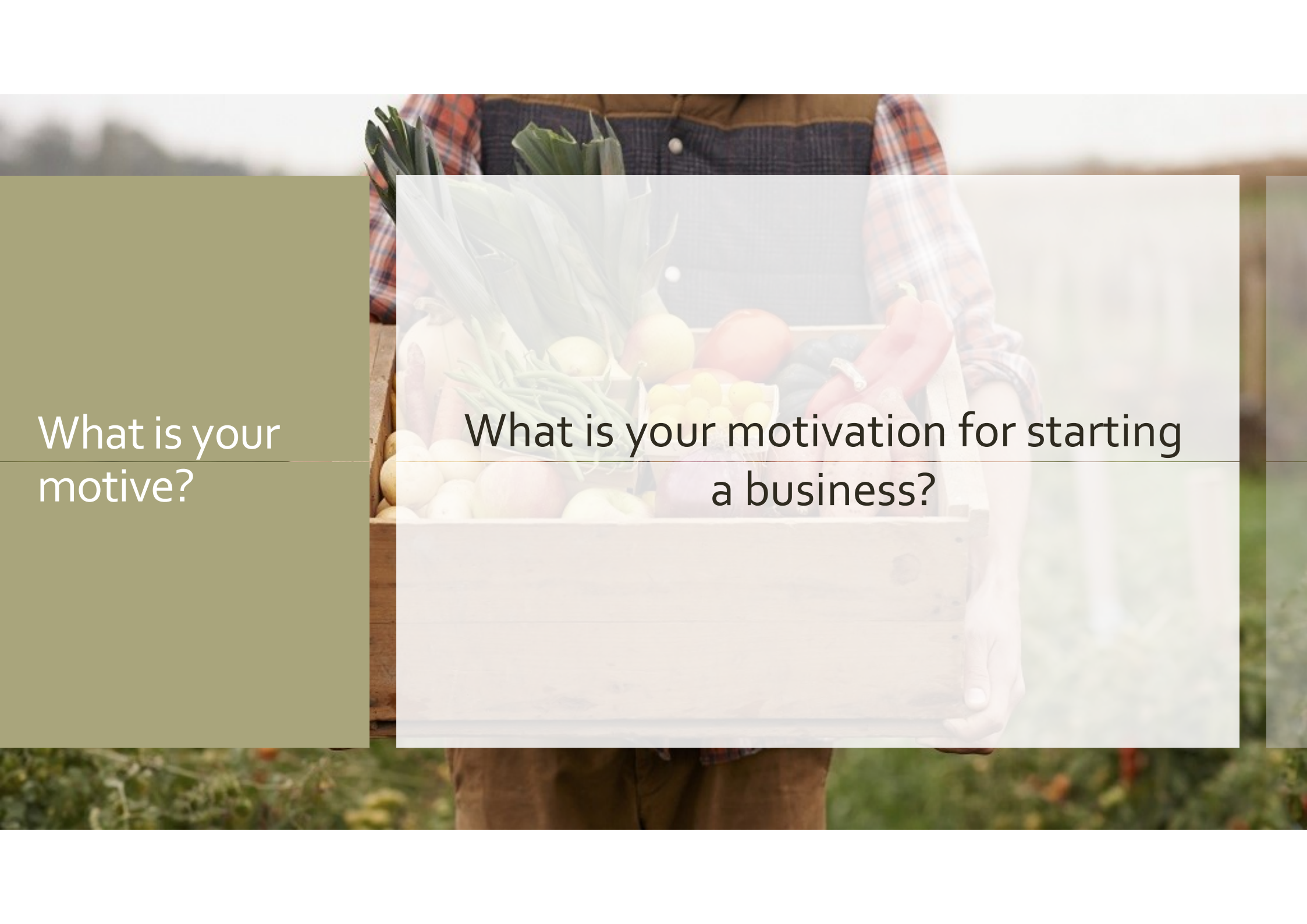
“And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you.”

1 Thessalonians 4:11

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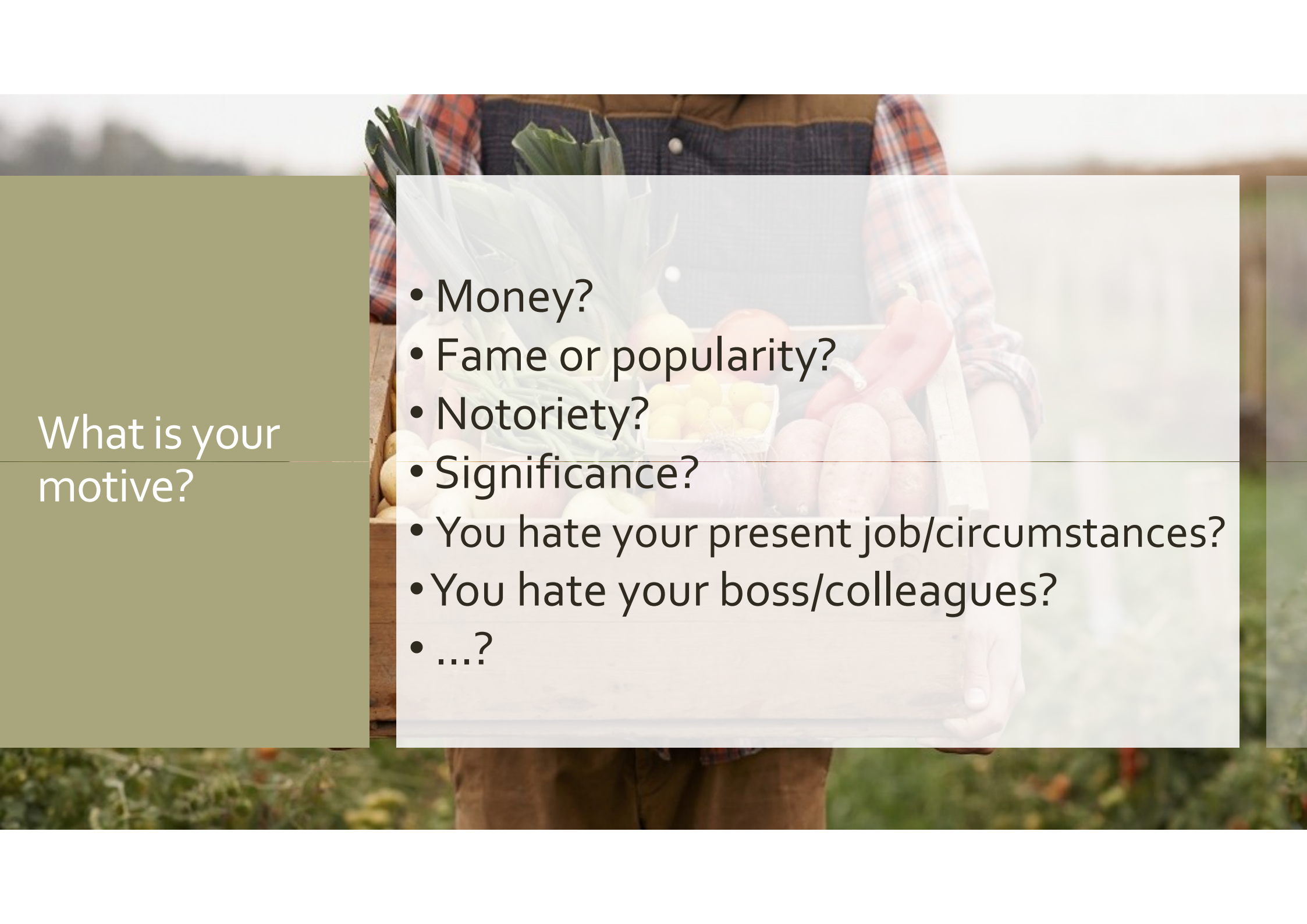
“At the creation, labour (work) was appointed as a blessing. It meant development, power, happiness. The changed condition of the earth through the curse of sin has brought a change in the conditions of labour; yet **though now attended with anxiety, weariness, and pain, it is still a source of happiness and development.** And it is a safeguard against temptation. It’s discipline of places a check on self indulgence, and promotes industry, purity and firmness..”

Education, Pg 214



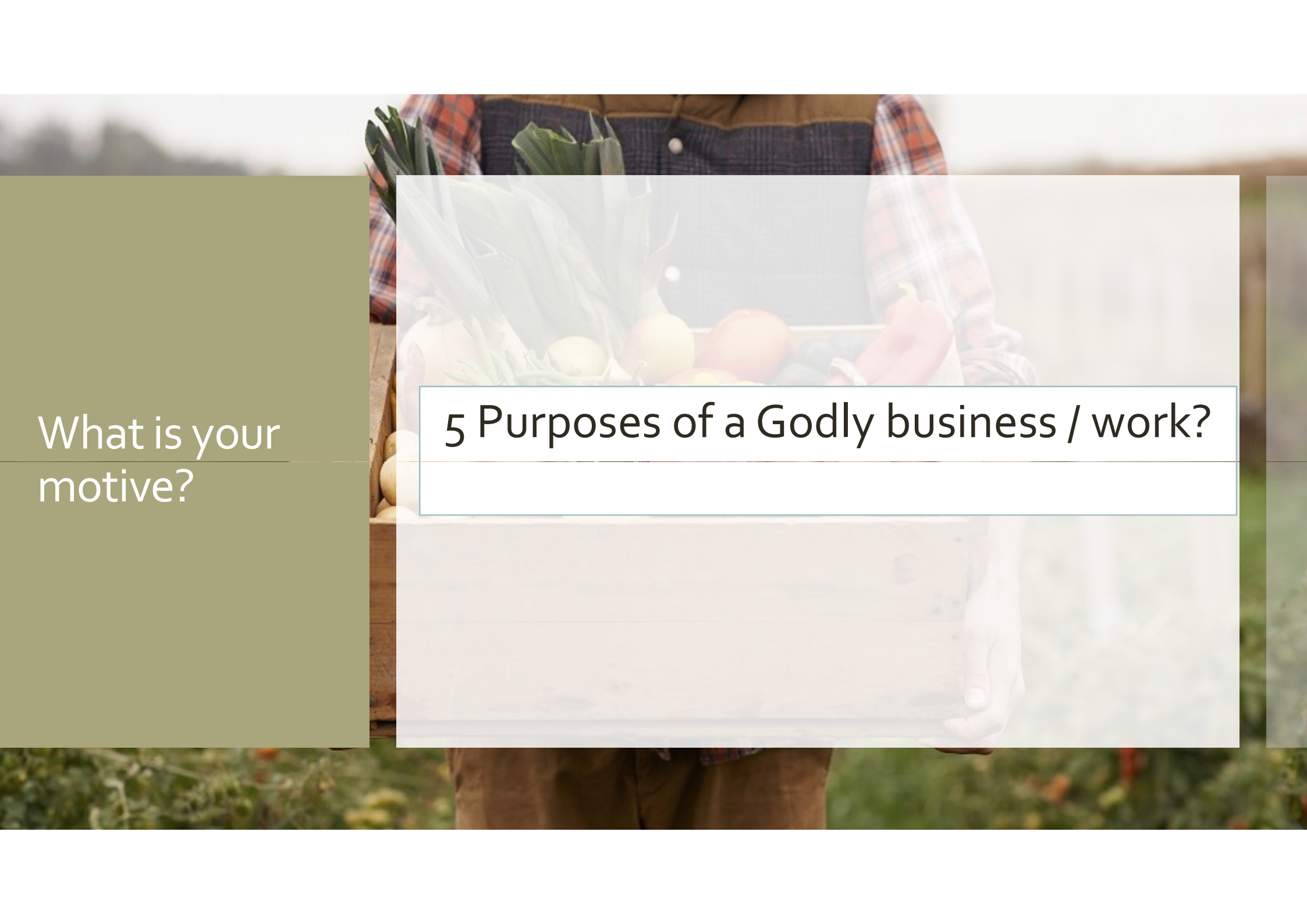
What is your
motive?

What is your motivation for starting
a business?



What is your
motive?

- Money?
- Fame or popularity?
- Notoriety?
- Significance?
- You hate your present job/circumstances?
- You hate your boss/colleagues?
-?



What is your
motive?

5 Purposes of a Godly business / work?



The purpose of a Godly business

1. To further the kingdom of God

Luke 8:1-3 "And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve were with him,
² And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils,
³ And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance."



The purpose of a
Godly business

2.
To bring relief, aid the poor and
those in need



The purpose of a
Godly business

3.
To provide for your family



The purpose of a
Godly business

4.
To provide development,
power/strength and happiness



The purpose of a
Godly business

5. To prove and develop character

“Money is not ours; houses and grounds, pictures and furniture, garments and luxuries, do not belong to us. We are pilgrims, we are strangers. We have only a grant of those things that are necessary for health and life...Our temporal blessings are given us in trust, to prove whether we can be entrusted with eternal riches. If we endure the proving of God, then we shall receive that purchased possession which is to be our own – glory, honour and immortality.



God's Business Blueprint

How do you ensure your business operates according to God's pattern?



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1. Recognise God's ownership

That which lies at the foundation of business integrity and of true success is the recognition of God's ownership. The creator of all things, He is the original originator. We are His stewards. All that we have is a trust from Him, to be used according to His direction



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"There is no branch of legitimate business for which the Bible does not afford an essential preparation. It's principles of diligence, honesty, thrift, temperance and purity are the secret of true success."

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God's Business Blueprint

"Seest thou a man diligent in his business? He shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men."

Proverbs 22:9

In all labour there is profit: but the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury

Proverbs 14:23

A faithful abounds in riches but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent

Proverbs 28:20

The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death

Proverbs 21:6

Wealth gotten in haste shall be diminished; but he that gathereth by labour shall have increase

Proverbs 13:11



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Independence of one kind is praiseworthy. To desire to bear your own weight and not to eat the bread of dependence is right. It is a noble, generous ambition that dictates the wish to be self-supporting. 2T 308



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6. Make God's requirements first (MOH481)
7. Shun debt (one of Satan's nets – AH, 392)
8. Ask for wisdom (James 1:5)



Type of
Business

Type of Business



Types of Business / Work

1. What is your calling/gifting?
2. Work that involves labour is best fitted for mankind
3. Whatever you do, do it with your might (Eccl. 9:10)
4. Does this glorify God? (1 Cor.10:31)
5. See previous criteria
6. What is in your hand?

Types of Business / Work

1. Gardening
2. Horticulture
3. Trades – carpentry, building, electrical, plumbing
4. Mechanics
5. Woodworking
6. Information & Media
7. Home keeper –
8. Photography
9. Painting / Art
10. Doctor
11. Medical missionary
12. Leatherwork
13. Computing
14. Music
15. Computing
16. Accounting
17. Journalism / writing
18. Missionary activities – literature, evangelism,
19. Radio
20. Languages
21. Etc etc!!

Getting Started

Sole trader

Self-employed and running a business on your own.

Partnership

Two or more individuals. Responsibility for the business is shared equally between partners, profits are shared equally and each partner pays tax on their share and is jointly liable for debts and losses.

Limited partnership

At least one 'general' partner who runs the business and is personally liable for any business debts, and at least one 'limited' partner whose input is purely financial and who is only liable up to the amount contributed.

Limited liability partnership (LLP)

Partnership agreement where each partner is not personally liable for debts that the UK business can't pay. This partnership requires a written LLP agreement and needs to be registered at Companies House.

Private Limited Company (Ltd)

A separate legal entity from the people that run it. Incorporated through registration at Companies House and need at least one director and one shareholder.

Social enterprise

Exists to invest any profits made to meet charitable, social or community objectives rather than to distribute among shareholders.

Unincorporated association

This is an unregistered, unincorporated form of non-profit organisation that can include voluntary groups, small community groups and associations.

Getting Started

1. Check that you can legally start your own business in the UK
2. Have a written plan
3. Decide on your business legal structure
4. Choose a business name and address (Consider IP)
5. Register your chosen entity
6. Register with HM Revenue and Customs
7. Check if there are any additional rules for your type of start up business UK



Business &
Ministry for
the end time

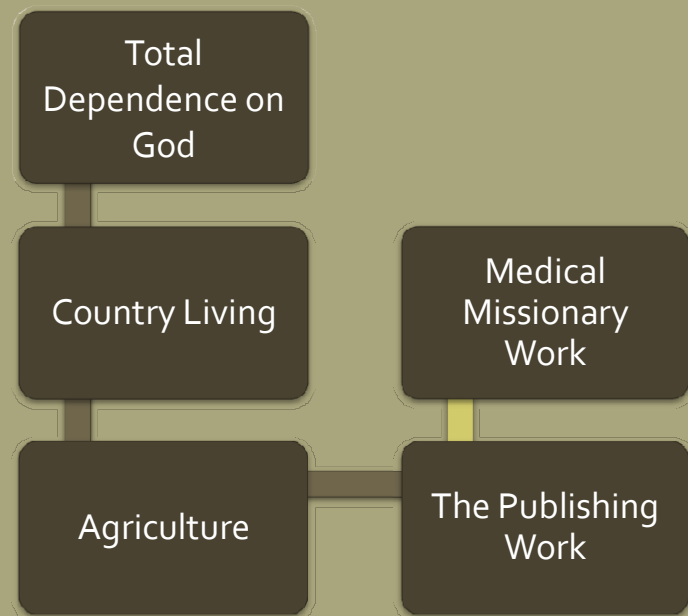
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End Time





Total Dependence on God

The time is coming when we cannot sell at any price. The decree will soon go forth prohibiting men to buy or sell of any man save him that hath the mark of the beast. (Mar 183.2)

In the last great conflict of the controversy with Satan, those who are loyal to God will see every earthly support cut off. Because they refuse to break His law in obedience to earthly powers, they will be forbidden to buy or sell. (Mar 183.3)

There is a time coming when commandment-keepers can neither buy nor sell. Make haste to dig out your buried talents. If God has entrusted you with money, show yourselves faithful to your trust; unwrap your napkin, and send your talents to the exchangers, that when Christ shall come, He may receive His own with interest.

Country Living

Fathers and mothers who possess a piece of land and a comfortable home are kings and queens. (CL, Pg 18)

If the poor now crowded into the cities could find homes upon the land, they might not only earn a livelihood, but find health and happiness now unknown to them. Hard work, simple fare, close economy, often hardship and privation, would be their lot. But what a blessing would be theirs in leaving the city, with its enticements to evil, its turmoil and crime, misery and foulness, for the country's quiet and peace and purity. (CL 19.1)

Cut off to a great degree from contact with and dependence upon men, and separated from the world's corrupting maxims and customs and excitements, they would come nearer to the heart of nature. God's presence would be more real to them. Many would learn the lesson of dependence upon Him. Through nature they would hear His voice speaking to their hearts of His peace and love, and mind and soul and body would respond to the healing, life-giving power. (CL 19.3)

Agriculture

In God's plan for Israel every family had a home on the land, with sufficient ground for tilling. Thus were provided both the means and the incentive for a useful, industrious, and self-supporting life. **And no devising of men has ever improved upon that plan.** (FLB 260.2)


The earth is to be made to give forth its strength; but without the blessing of God it could do nothing. In the beginning, God looked upon all that He had made, and pronounced it very good. The curse was brought upon the earth in consequence of sin. But shall this curse be multiplied by increasing sin?

Many are unwilling to earn their bread by the sweat of their brow, and they refuse to till the soil. But **the earth has blessings hidden in her depths for those who have courage and will and perseverance to gather her treasures.** Fathers and mothers who possess a piece of land and a comfortable home are kings and queens. (CL, Pg 18)

Medical Missionary Work

As religious aggression subverts the liberties of our nation, those who would stand for freedom of conscience will be placed in unfavourable positions. **For their own sake they should, while they have opportunity, become intelligent in regard to disease, its causes, prevention, and cure.** And those who do this will find a field of labour anywhere. There will be suffering ones, plenty of them, who will need help, not only among those of our own faith but largely among those who know not the truth. {LDE 80.2}

I wish to tell you that soon there will be no work done in ministerial lines but medical missionary work. {LDE 80.3}



The Book Work / Colporteur Ministry

There is danger of entering into commercialism and becoming so engrossed in worldly business that the truths of the word of God in their purity and power will not be brought into the life. The love of trade and gain is becoming more and more prevalent. My brethren, let your souls be truly converted. **If ever there was a time when we needed to understand our responsibilities, it is now, when truth is fallen in the streets and equity cannot enter.**

Satan has come down with great power to work with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; and everything that can be shaken will be shaken, and those things that cannot be shaken will remain.

Our books and papers are to be brought before the notice of the people; the gospel of present truth is to be given to our cities without delay. Shall we not arouse to our duties? (CM 9.2)

Where to
Start?

G.R.O.W

Goals

Reality

Options

Way forward

Examples

Personal testimony

4 Goals

Home education

Move to country

More time in ministry than business

Non location dependent business

Publishing

<http://www.thegreatcontroversybook.org/>

<http://www.thesundaylawiscoming.org/>


<https://www.newearth.org.uk/>

Hannah – Baking and hair / Piano and music lessons

Aim is agriculture and the medical work

The Artisan Grower

<https://theartisangrower.co.uk/>

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Examples

Medical Missionary Group

<http://www.missionarygroup.org.uk/>



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Examples

The background features a modern building with a glass facade on the right and a group of people in a meeting on the left. The meeting scene is overlaid with a semi-transparent olive-green rectangle. The people are seen from behind and in profile, engaged in conversation. The building has a grid-like structure of windows and frames.

Live Q+A

Raise your hand

Only un-mute when you are speaking

Or type your question in the chat box

What Next?

1. Do Nothing

2. Take Action

- Go over your notes
- What does the Word say? Read over Proverbs again/SOP

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