

HOW TO BE EXCEPTIONAL IN AN AVERAGE WORLD

Session 1 – 9/8/05

YOUR CONSISTENCY IN MAINTAINING
THE MUNDANE

1. The Status of Perserverance in the 90's

- + The historic example of two competitors:
The _____
The _____
- + What kind of race do people prefer to run?
The glamour of the _____
The grind of the _____
- + If you're really "street-smart", you'll:

- + The "pop" approach:
Success through _____
The proven approach:
Success through _____
- + One of management's challenges in the 90's:
Creating an environment that
encourages people to _____
- + What we really need:
A resurgence of _____
among personnel
Perseverance: the act of continuing a
course of action in spite of _____

- + The best way for a young man who is without
friends or influence to begin is:
 1. Get a _____
 2. Keep his _____
 3. _____
 4. Be _____
 5. Make his employer think he would be
_____ without him
 6. Be _____

Russell Sage – 1816-1906
Financier and Philanthropist

2. The Nature of Perseverance for the Christian:

- Genesis 6:9-7:1*
- + Begin with an emphasis on _____
Genesis 6:9-10
- + Make sure you understand the big _____
Genesis 6:11-13
- + Clarify the _____ you have been
asked to complete
Genesis 6:14-17, 19-21
- + Understand why your _____ is
critical to the mission
Genesis 6:18
- + Perform your task until _____
Genesis 6:22-7:1

Interesting aside: What was God doing
while Noah hammered?

"...long ago when God waited
patiently in the days of Noah while
the ark was being built."

1 Peter 3:20

3. The Practice of Perseverance in the Office:

- + *Resolution:*
I will become exceptional by _____
my assignment in the company without
allowing myself to view the task as
_____ or beneath me.
- + How can you ensure your success in
persevering?
 - a. Be a part of a company whose mission
statement you _____
 - b. Make sure your job description is an
_____ of the company's
expectations of you.
 - c. Clarify the _____ of the tasks that
are entrusted to your care.
 - d. Commit yourself to the position and the
tasks on the strength of their _____
to the overall mission of the enterprise.

4. Summary

- + Exceptional Trait: _____
- + Theme Verse: I Corinthians _____
- + Example: _____
Genesis _____
- + Quote: "moments in life of hard, glorious
running; but we have days and years
of walking – the uneventful
discharge of small duties."
Alexander MacLaren

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