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Expanded Edition Leadership Axioms Powerful Leadership Proverbs Winning leaders have winning points of view—succinct, practical, portable leadership proverbs that help them arbitrate decisions and rouse troops to action. In Axiom, Bill Hybels reveals eighty God-given, from-the-gut truths that continue to raise his game and his vision, thirty-plus years into his local-church leadership experience. Axiom Powerful Leadership Proverbs The book you hold resonates with this conviction: that leaders such as you have the potential to be the most influential forces on planet Earth. Yours is the staggering responsibility and the matchless privilege of rallying believers and mobilizing their spiritual gifts in order to help people who are far from God become fully devoted followers of Christ. Life transformation and the eternal destinies of real people depend on the redemptive message entrusted to the local church. Are you willing to do whatever it takes to lead your church effectively so God's message of hope can change the world? Then this book is for you. Courageous Leadership is Bill Hybels' magnum opus, a book far too important to be written before its time. Only now, after nearly thirty years leading his own church from a handful of people with a burning vision into a globe-spanning kingdom force—only after almost three decades of victories and setbacks, of praying hard and risking big—is Hybels ready at last to share the lessons he has learned, and continues to learn, about Christian leadership. Too much is at stake for you not to maximize your spiritual gift of leadership, insists Hybels. In this passionate, powerful book, he unpacks the tools, tasks, and challenges of your calling. You'll discover the power of vision and how to turn it into action. You'll gain frontline insights for developing a kingdom dream team, discovering your leadership style, developing other leaders, making decisions, walking with God, embracing change, staying your God-given course, and much, much more. Drawing on his own richly varied life experiences, Hybels fleshes out vital principles with riveting firsthand stories. This is far more than another book on leadership strategies and techniques. You'll find those topics in here, to be sure. But beyond them, you'll find the very essence of one of today's foremost Christian leaders—his fervent commitment to evangelism and discipleship and his zeal to inspire fellow church leaders even as he seeks to keep growing as a leader himself. If unchurched people matter to you . . . if you love seeing believers serve passionately with their spiritual gifts . . . if God's heartbeat for the church is your heartbeat as well . . . then this book is a must. Courageous Leadership will convince you to lead with all your might, all your skill, and all your faith. And it will give you the tools to do just that.

A Solution to the Corporate-Church Crisis Zondervan It takes the power of God to produce the character of God. Putting others' needs ahead of our own: it's the ultimate expression of love—and the hardest. Fortunately, we don't have to go it alone. In Fruit of the Spirit, you'll learn about the life-transforming qualities God wants to cultivate inside you. And you'll discover the supernatural Agent who empowers you to attain them: the Holy Spirit, working within you to produce each kind of spiritual "fruit." In the Holy Spirit's power, you can live a supernatural life that transforms every relationship you have. And in the process, you'll discover the one route to a truly satisfying life: serving others. Interactions—a powerful and challenging tool for building deep relationships between you and your group members, and you and God. Interactions is far more than another group Bible study. It's a cutting-edge series designed to help small group participants develop into fully devoted followers of Christ.

The Art of War John Wiley & Sons

Why bother with church? Can't I follow Jesus on my own? Christians young and old struggle to answer these questions, believing Scripture says little about church life. But the Bible is far from silent. The New Testament envisions a vibrant church of devoted brothers and sisters adopted into God's family. The biblical image of the church family has the power to reshape everything our local churches do—the ways pastors lead, how members engage one another, what worship leaders sing, and much more. Now is the time to reclaim a biblical vision of the church as a family and reject the prevailing corporate-church paradigm assumed by church growth gurus. The church that thinks of itself as a family will learn to build meaningful relationships and show the unbelieving world how good church life can be.

Courageous Leadership Zondervan

The author of Holy Discontent shares the importance in recognizing God whispers and challenges readers to be attentive

in this process and to walk in obedience, knowing without a doubt that God's whispers are always worth listening to.

Thomas Nelson

The Art of War is an enduring classic that holds a special place in the culture and history of East Asia. An ancient Chinese text on the philosophy and politics of warfare and military strategy, the treatise was written in 6th century B.C. by a warrior-philosopher now famous all over the world as Sun Tzu. Sun Tzu's teachings remain as relevant to leaders and strategists today as they were to rulers and military generals in ancient times. Divided into thirteen chapters and written succinctly, The Art of War is a must-read for anybody who works in a competitive environment.

Leadership Axioms WestBow Press

Drawing on the wisdom gleaned from thriving mega-churches and innovative business leaders while anchoring their vision in the Eucharistic center of Catholic faith, Fr. Michael White and lay associate Tom Corcoran present the compelling and inspiring story to how they brought their parish back to life. Rebuilt: Awakening the Faithful, Reaching the Lost, and Making Church Matter is a story of stopping everything and changing focus. When their parish reached a breaking point, White and Corcoran asked themselves how they could make the Church matter to Catholics, and they realized the answer was at the heart of the Gospel. Their faithful response not only tripled their weekend mass attendance, but also yielded increased giving, flourishing ministries, and a vibrant, solidly Catholic spiritual revival. White and Corcoran invite all Catholic leaders to share the vision, borrow their strategies, and rebuild their own parishes. They offer a wealth of guidance for anyone with the courage to hear them.

Descending Into Greatness Rowman & Littlefield

People are desperate for leaders who are credible – those who possess a moral center and exhibit sound leadership skills. Given our global realities, we need strategic leaders who possess cultural intelligence and theological discernment. The aim of this book is to shape such leaders. Each chapter combines careful research with contributions from leaders around the world. These voices bring much-needed insight to leadership issues when translated and applied in different settings, especially the many urban multi-cultural contexts that exist today. Present and emerging leaders, no matter the culture or field, will find this book invaluable in sustaining their call to godly leadership.

Clear Focus University of Chicago Press

The book of Proverbs is a cornucopia of practical wisdom on a variety of topics. The insights and truths covered in this book of ancient Hebrew Wisdom literature run the gamut including the nature of true wisdom and understanding, vices and virtues, relationships and roles, priorities, planning for the future, how to communicate, and how to manage one's resources. In recent decades, the book of Proverbs has increasingly become the focus of attention for Christians who wish to live lives more in tune with God's principles. In particular, Christian thinkers have begun to correlate biblical principles with the study of effective leadership. Yost examines the subject of godly leadership by using the book of Proverbs as his springboard. This is a scholarly, yet deeply devotional, study of the leader's priorities, the leader's plans, and the leader's speech. Once you have read this book, you will never look at the book of Proverbs or the subject of leadership the same way again.

Awakening the Faithful, Reaching the Lost, and Making Church Matter Zondervan

Bring back the balance to your crazy, non-stop world by taking action with the dynamic "Life@Work GroupZine." In this chaotic, stressful, non-stop world, balance is difficult to maintain. Life @ Work GroupZine is written for the purpose of restoring balance to life and putting focus back on what's really important in life. This six-session study examines the biblical definition of balance and studies how work and ambition fit in with God, family, community, and self. This GroupZine has a creative free-flow "magazine" feeling that is enjoyable to read and non-threatening even to non-believers. Life @ Work GroupZine is an action-oriented Bible-based study aimed at tackling the daily grind that causes us to lose balance and sight of God's intention for our lives.

Leadership Secrets from the Proverbs InterVarsity Press

"Seth Wickersham has managed to do the impossible: he has pulled off the definitive document of the Belichick/Brady dynasty." —Bill Simmons, The Ringer The explosive, long-awaited account of the making of the greatest dynasty in football history—from the acclaimed ESPN reporter who has been there from the very beginning. Over two unbelievable decades, the New England Patriots were not only the NFL's most dominant team, but also—and by far—the most secretive. How did they achieve and sustain greatness—and what were the costs? In It's Better to Be Feared, Seth Wickersham, one of the country's finest long form

and investigative sportswriters, tells the full, behind-the-scenes story of the Patriots, capturing the brilliance, ambition, and vanity that powered and ultimately unraveled them. Based on hundreds of interviews conducted since 2001, Wickersham's chronicle is packed with revelations, taking us deep into Bill Belichick's tactical ingenuity and Tom Brady's unique mentality while also reporting on their divergent paths in 2020, including Brady's run to the Super Bowl with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Raucous, unvarnished, and definitive, It's Better to Be Feared is an instant classic of American sportswriting in the tradition of Michael Lewis, David Maraniss, and David Halberstam.

Be Mean About the Vision Zondervan

The Tortoise Usually Wins is a delightful exploration of the theory of quiet leadership. Written for reluctant leaders, it interacts with three key biblical images of leadership - the leader as servant, shepherd and steward - and links them with some of the key virtues of quiet leadership - modesty, restraint, tenacity, interdependence and other-centeredness. Exploding the myth that the good is the enemy of the best, it argues that the reverse is more often true, with images of unattainable perfection crippling competent people from getting on with the task of doing genuinely good things. The book strips leadership of some of its mystique, arguing that the bulk of leadership is about helping groups decide the right things to do and then getting on and doing them in an atmosphere that brings the best out of others. Brian Harris is the principal of a highly regarded theological seminary and also pastors a thriving local church, so the book carries the wisdom of both professor and pastor, satisfying the reader both intellectually and practically. These insights are supplemented by interviews with significant quiet leaders from around the world, ensuring a rich feast for prospective and current reluctant leaders. 'Books on leadership are today two a penny. Just occasionally, however, one of these books might stand head and shoulders above most of the others, and to my delight The Tortoise Usually Wins falls into that category.

Furthermore, so many books on leadership are written for natural leaders; whereas, as the author makes clear, most churches are led by "quiet leaders" who know they are not great, but nonetheless, are "tenacious and committed to the task and willing to work co-operatively with others to achieve it". I can see many church leaders benefitting from this book. I warmly commend this unusual book.' Paul Beasley-Murray, Senior Minister, Central Baptist Church, Chelmsford; Chair of Ministry Today UK

The Tortoise Usually Wins Ave Maria Press

Modern business practice and scholarship have honed the laws of the leadership. To achieve success, you're supposed to - among other things - leverage your time, choose a strong team, and avoid unnecessary controversy. But what do you do when the laws of leadership collide with the teachings of Christ? What would it mean to reveal your true character to those you lead? What would it take for you to take an honest look at yourself and ask, "Am I leading from my mission ... or my shadow mission?" Using stories from their own lives and ministries, Bill Hybels, John Ortberg, and Dan Allender illustrate how the laws of leadership sometimes crash head-on into the demands of discipleship, and how the decisions you make at these crossroads could affect not only you, but the destiny of those you lead. The Call to Lead includes the previous releases from the Leadership Library series: When Leadership and Discipleship Collide, by Bill Hybels, Overcoming Your Shadow Mission, by John Ortberg, and Leading Character from Dan Allender.

Grow Your Influence Zondervan

When Leadership and Discipleship Collide Using stories from his own life and ministry, Bill Hybels shows how the laws for leadership success can sometimes crash headlong into another reality: an inner prompting of the Spirit showing you a different approach. The decisions you make at that point could affect not only you, but the ultimate destiny of those you lead.

Too Busy Not to Pray Liveright Publishing

Are You Looking For God? That is, the God who can really make a difference in your life? Have you already found God...but are disappointed? Bill Hybels wants to introduce you to the God you're looking for. Not only does this God exist, He passionately yearns to be in a relationship with you. In fact, writes Hybels, God is head over heels in love with you! But in order to find God, you'll first need to put aside the caricatures, the fears, the lies, and the misconceptions that have been gathered over the centuries about who God really is. Understanding the true personality and nature of God can make ordinary people extraordinary and weak people strong. With penetrating insights and pointed anecdotes, Hybels reveals God for who He really is: a God who knows your every thought, who is always gracious, who always guides you, is always committed to you, and who is always there. A God who

feels your joy and sadness, a God who doesn't stop giving, a God who has your life in His loving hands.

Pastor's Annual 2010 WestBow Press

The urgent need for prayer in today's broken world is clear, but busyness still keeps many of us from finding time to pray. So Bill Hybels offers us his practical, time-tested ideas on slowing down to pray. In this four-session video Bible study based on Hybels's classic book on prayer, *Too Busy Not to Pray* calls both young and old to make prayer a priority, broadening the vision for what our eternal, powerful God does when his people slow down to pray. The coordinating *Too Busy Not to Pray Study Guide* (sold separately) leads individuals and small groups through discussion topics, group activities, and in-between-studies assignments. In *Too Busy Not to Pray*, you and your small group will learn: The importance of a consistent time and place for prayer How to organize prayers according to tried-and-true frameworks How to hear the Spirit's promptings To love prayer time Hybels helps you slow down, listen to God, and learn how to respond. As a result, you will grow closer to God and experience the benefits of spending time with him.

The Volunteer Revolution WestBow Press

This annual bestselling resource for preachers provides a planned preaching program for an entire year, including Sunday morning, Sunday evening, and midweek sermons as well as helps for special occasions such as weddings, funerals, and youth meetings.

High-Impact Teams Authentic Media Inc

Clear Focus is primarily for Christian school educators, but I believe this is a must-read for every single Christian. I was both convicted and challenged in my everyday walk with the Lord. Dr. Glen Schultz, Author of *Kingdom Education* ... helps us to refocus on "who" so that the tyranny of "what" does not rob us of the joy

of ministry. This is a must-read for anyone ministering in Christian schooling. Dr. Daniel Egeler, President of the Association of Christian Schools International Clear Focus encourages and equips Christian educators to regain vision, purpose, and fulfillment in ministry. With a passion for discipleship, Stephen shares rich insights through compelling stories and biblical applications. He also draws on his experience from two tours of duty in the United States Marine Corps. In a world full of distractions, maintaining focus can be difficult if not impossible. When we focus intently on "who," we begin to escape the tyranny of "what," which steals the joy from our lives and service. Jesus perfectly modeled this for us. Follow Him through any day of His ministry, and you will see His focus is always on a who. Ours should be too.

It's Better to Be Feared: The New England Patriots Dynasty and the Pursuit of Greatness Baker Books

Beyond Nice is about creating excellent working relationships in Churches and other Christian organisations. It looks at why Christian bodies struggle with people issues and people management. The author has taken his experience as a practising Christian in the business world and has sought to understand why Christian organisations often find it more difficult to manage people than businesses do. He also explores potential solutions to this problem, and central to this are almost 40 interviews conducted with Christian leaders; bishops, pastors, charity leaders, academics and consultants. He also looks at the example Jesus gives us of how to deal with and lead people. Together, these things are combined to offer potential solutions to current Christian leaders, and some food for thought to Christian followers about how best to support their leaders.

Missing Voices Zondervan

Although you may see yourself as merely one among millions of

Christian women, God has great plans for you to leave an eternal impression on others. He has created and called you to spiritually influence those around you—your children, friends, family, co-workers, and neighbors. This practical guide will help you grow in the six fundamentals of spiritual leadership and encourage you on your own journey from ordinary woman to spiritual leader. "I not only recommend this book, I know I will be using it as I minister to women." —Dr. Beverly Hislop, author of *Shepherding a Woman's Heart* and *Shepherding Women in Pain* "Kay's own experience and the stories of women that are included illustrate how powerful these truths are and how crucial they are for women who truly desire to serve God in an extraordinary way." —Susie Hawkins, author of *From One Ministry Wife to Another*

A Comprehensive Guide to Working with Early Adolescents Harper Collins

No matter how big an organization, we all do ministry with a team, whether paid or volunteer. Anyone who has been part of a great team knows it's something special. When there is good chemistry, everyone is operating from their sweet spot, the objectives are clear, and kingdom progress is being made, it is incredibly fulfilling and fun. On the flip side, we're painfully aware what happens when there is dysfunction in the team—stress, tension, politics, and posturing. It's not much fun for anyone, and we end up squandering our divine assignment. Lance Witt, founder of Replenish ministries and a former executive and teaching pastor at Saddleback Church, knows what it takes to keep teams functioning at the highest level of impact. He shows leaders how to build next-level teams that are spiritually, emotionally, and relationally healthy and productive and high-performing. Short, to-the-point chapters make the book easy to digest and the perfect resource for your team to read through together.