

UTG@WORK

Evangelizing in the Workplace

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Goals for this session

- 1) Introduce you to UTG at Work.
- 2) Challenge you to consider what you can do to live your faith at work.
- 3) Offer options to go deeper if you wish to do so.





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The UTG at Work Story

- GM years



- Christian-friendly
- Christian-tolerant
- Christian-silent
- Anti-Christian

- God's Work Ministry - 2016
- Unleash the Gospel (UTG) - 2017
- Families of Parishes - 2020
- UTG at Work - 2023



Our Mission

UTG at Work is an apostolate which helps women and men joyfully live their faith and witness to Christ and the Gospel in the workplace.





What we do

- **Website** (www.utgatwork.org)
 - 62 Articles
 - 15 Videos
 - 700+ members
- **Podcasts** – 4000+ downloads
 - *The UTG at Work Podcast*
 - *The UTG at Work Innovation Podcast*
- **Social media** - Facebook, LinkedIn, YouTube soon
- **Events** - workshops, talks, webinars, conferences
- **Corporate Partners** – new initiative



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From Christendom to Apostolic Mission



- Very little literature on intersection between faith and everyday life before ~1980
- Today: many books, organizations, institutes
 - Very few Catholic
- Prevalent presupposition today: chasm between faith and secular life
 - *People of faith must challenge this presupposition*

Probably no surprise to you



Depression,
Anxiety,
Suicide rate,
Substance
Dependency

Belief in God,
Participation in an
organized religion,
Sacraments,
Vocations,
Donations,
Infrastructure

Business results: lower productivity, “quiet quitting,” turnover

Spiritual results: spiritual lethargy, loss of faith, embracing of new age spirituality or Gospel of Prosperity

UTG at Work is here to help



- At all levels of the organization
 - Associate, Leader, Owner/CEO
- Without creating division
 - Better to light a candle than to curse the darkness
- But with conviction
 - The silent majority is at risk of no longer being a majority at all

The Challenge

- The Church needs you to embrace the call to be on mission
 - Especially at work, where you spend so much of your time
- You may be the only Christian that some people in your workplace will ever get to know personally





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Analogy of the Church

Parishioners

Called to live a life of holiness.

Priests

Instruct parishioners with clarity and conviction within context of Church teaching.

Bishops

Assure that systems and structures in diocese are sufficient for supporting priests and parishioners in their journey.



Increasing responsibility

- **Priests** – instruct parishioners how to live a holy life but must also live as they instruct them.
- **Bishops** – provide support systems but must also support priests in their role and live a holy life.

Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.

- Luke 12:48



Business Model

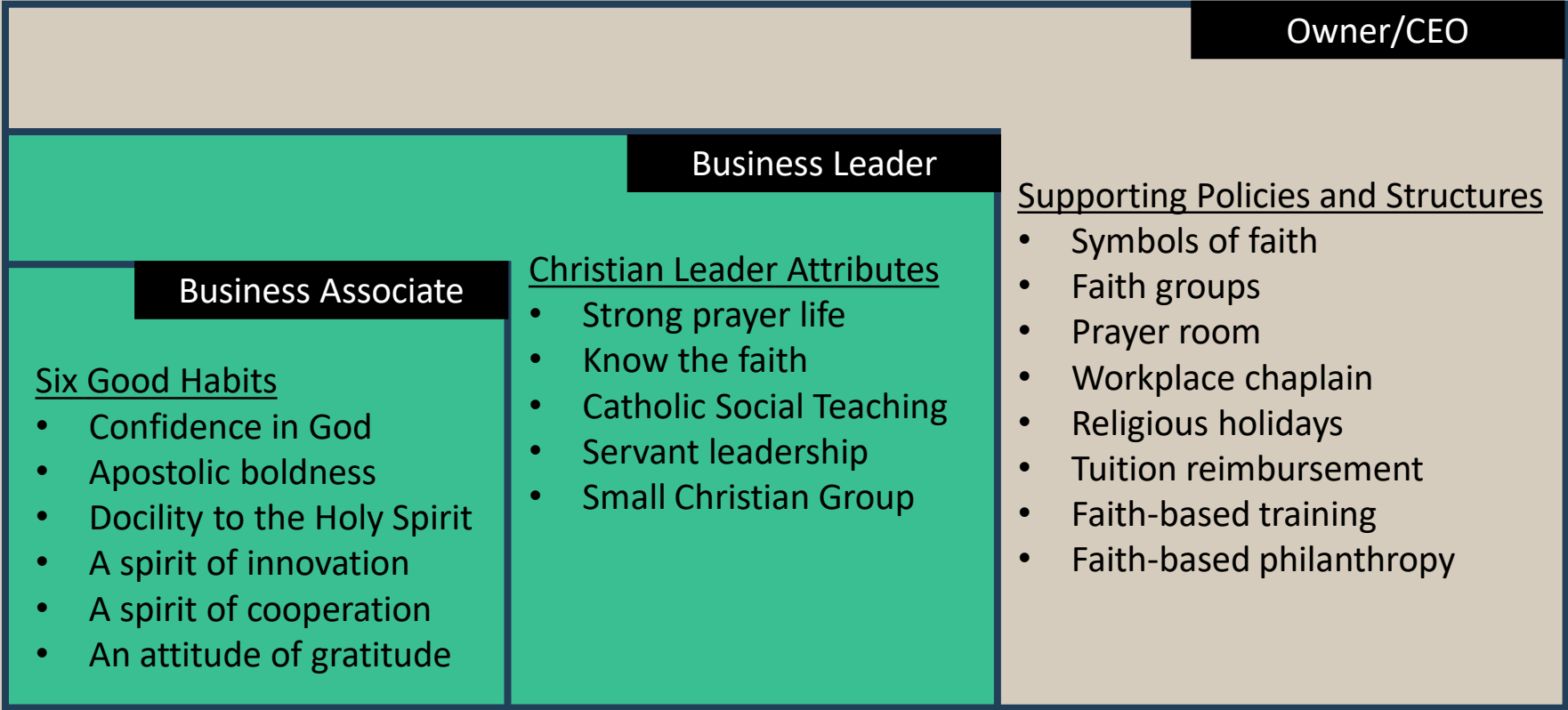
- **Business Associates** - like the parishioners
 - Live out the six good habits.
- **Business Leaders** – like the priests
 - Live out the six good habits.
 - Embrace Christian leadership attributes.
- **Business Owners/CEO's** – like the bishops
 - Live out the six good habits.
 - Embrace Christian leadership attributes.
 - Implement supporting policies & structures.



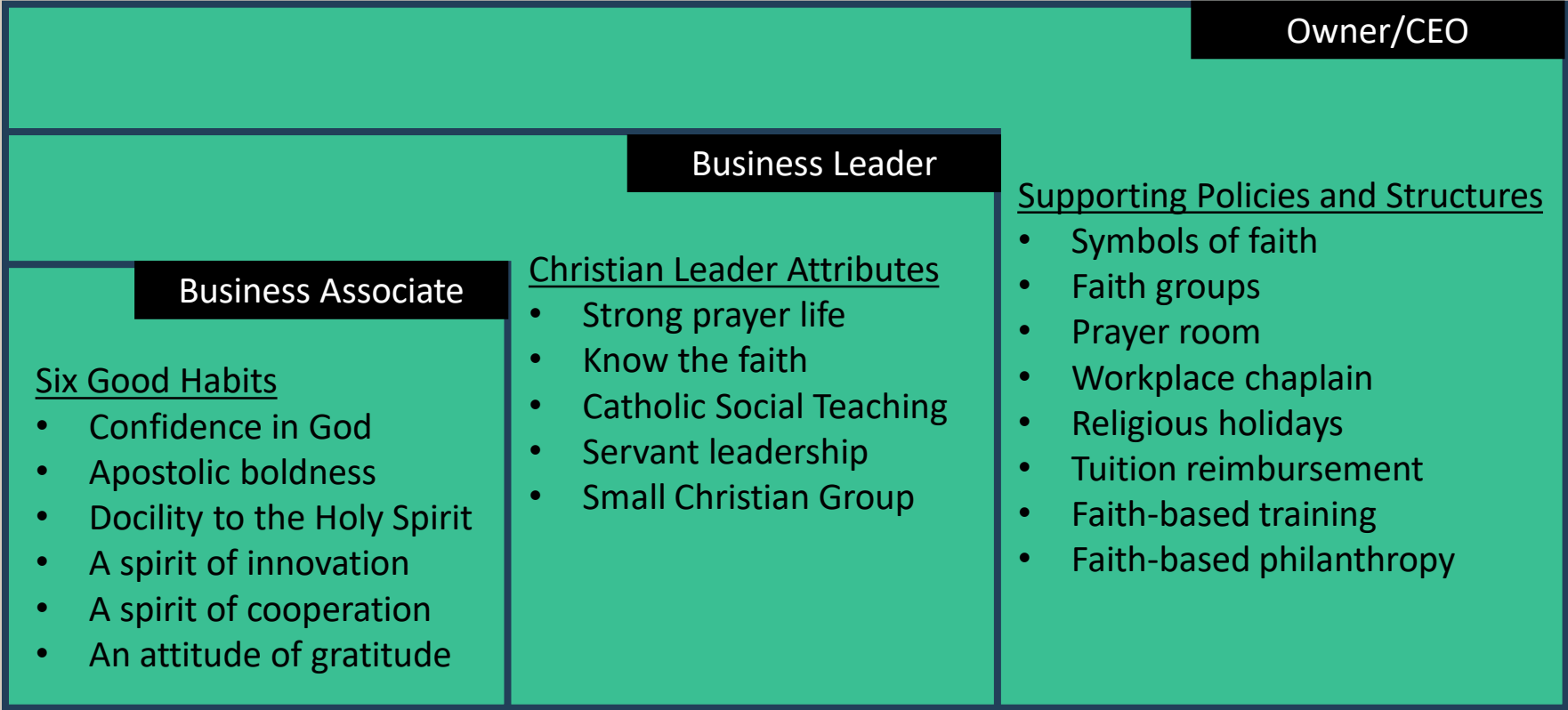
Six Good Habits



Christian Leadership Attributes



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Go deeper

- Become a **member**
 - Access to all materials, Newsletter
- Subscribe to our **Podcasts**
- Write an **article** for our website
- Schedule a **workshop or talk**
 - Discipleship in the Workplace
 - Equipped for Mission
- Become a **Corporate Partner**





*How will you live your faith and
witness to Christ and the
Gospel at work next week?*

Q & A

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