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# Just Business: Christian Ethics For The Marketplace





## Synopsis

"An ethical man is a Christian holding four aces." So said Mark Twain. But practicing Christians, at least, want to be ethical in all areas of life and work--not just when they are holding four aces. To those faced with the many questions and quandaries of doing business with integrity, Alexander Hill offers a place to begin. Alexander Hill carefully explores the foundational Christian concepts of holiness, justice and love. These keys to God's character, he argues, are also the keys to Christian business ethics. Hill then shows how some common responses to business ethics fall short of a fully Christian response. Finally, he turns to penetrating case studies on such pressing topics as employer-employee relations, discrimination and affirmative action, and environmental damage. This is an excellent introduction to business ethics for students and a bracing refresher for men and women already in the marketplace.

#### **Book Information**

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I am in graduate school and was assigned to read this book. Happily, I found this book is filled with scripture to back up the author's statements/theories. The mock mini-cases and/or illustrations that were provided in the book were extremely helpful in identifying possible business scenarios that one might encounter and ways to deal with them. The ways suggested to deal with the mock scenarios are always scripture-based and require thought and conviction from the reader. I really liked the book and recommend it to others. There is one more thing. This could be viewed as either a positive or a negative. I had to be close to [...] because there were numerous words that were unfamiliar. If

anyone is like me, if I do not look up the meaning of an unfamiliar word, I risk losing complete understanding of that passage/sentence. Once I looked up word definitions, I comprehended and enjoyed the reading. I must be honest and say that I expected an "easy read" (not having to look up definitions), but it wasn't that bad because (at least) I expanded my vocabulary on top of learning about business, Christian ethics (LOL)!

This text was used in a recent course that I was enrolled called Personal Values and Organizational Ethics. There is great reference to scripture when dealing with many everyday situations that we face in the world of business. It is filled with case studies that are resolved using biblical knowledge in various situations in the workplace. It has really given me the opportunity to learn how to incorporate Christian Ethics in today's workforce when making decisions.

Great book discussing holiness, justice and love in the workplace. I really believe every Manager and leader should read this book and apply it to their management style. Well written and just sets a great example of living your Christan life through daily living.

Very thorough treatment of the topic of Christian ethics. There is no cut and dried approach to ethics, but this author provides a solid framework for ethical Christian thought and related decision-making.

The practical applications of this book have helped me both in my walk with Jesus and as well as my relationships at work. I encourage anyone willing to be challenged in their walk to read this book with a humble mind and hunger for truth. Loved every page.

Well written book. As followers of Jesus Christ we are to imitate the character of God in business and personal life. Gods character is summarized by holiness, justice and love (collectively not individually). This book uses many examples from scripture to support its message.

This is such a wonderful book that gives me so much for insights as to how to present God's character in business, which helps your business to prosper.

I don't know if I am just overwhelmed with school or this book is a really dry read. It can't keep my attention. Topics covered are nice.. but I'm just not feeling it. To be fair, all my other classmates who

have read the book say that it's great and an easy read.

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