

# The Edge news, updates, and resources

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"As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

## **Our Mission:**

To challenge men and women in leadership to influence those in their company spiritually by taking their relationship with Jesus to work in highly transferable, relational, and exciting ways. (Proverbs 27:17)

# The Edge Daily

Download The Edge Daily app to receive a daily verse from Proverbs along with an uplifting interpretation of how that verse can be applied to our daily lives. Download the App

### Be The Edge Challenge Call

With Kevin or another ministry professional leading with a Bible teaching about how to live out The Edge in your workplace.

• Every other Thursday

• 5 minutes from 7:50-7:55am CST Hear past Challenge Calls at: The Edge 5 Minute Challenge

# Iron Sharpening Lunch

Led by a business professional who currently successfully incorporates their faith into the workplace to influence their company.



# Where Did Kevin Go?

I have found myself wondering that as well. Apparently, there has been some speculation about what happened and where I went. I figured it was time for me to answer the question.

The good news is, I'm still alive and asking God every day to continue to use me to impact lives for eternity. Nine months ago, I walked out of a meeting and called a couple very close friends and said, "Let's do this thing." They jumped in.

Over the years, I have become increasingly aware of the impact one life in leadership can have, especially when a person decides to take their faith into the workplace. I have seen companies impact their employees, customers, even entire communities powerfully for the kingdom, all as a result of a leader's commitment to exemplify Christ in their business. In the process of working alongside these individuals, I have also realized that there are many business owners and leaders who desire to utilize their influence to create this type of corporate environment, but are unsure of how to get started, and then how to maintain this environment.



To sign up for The Edge Challenge Call or Iron Sharpening Lunch, click this link: <u>How To Engage</u>

# **Ready to reopen?**

Are your people with you? Part of what The Edge offers is access to helpful ideas and resources. After many conversations with leaders preparing to reopen their businesses, I ran across this article. If you only scan the headings, you may discover a point or two that can help with your strategy moving forward. If you want to talk through any of these ideas we would love to connect you with one of The Edge leaders who is going through many of the same issues you are. As always, I'm here to strategize or consult with you, too.

8 Effective Strategies for Supporting Employees After a Disaster "We know there are Christian owners, leaders, and influencers who desire to impact their companies and work environments for Jesus but need help in knowing how to most effectively do it in today's business environment." The Edge Ministry

The Edge Ministry was created by leaders, for leaders, with the intention of helping those who want this for their business, coming along side them with resources, strategies, and most importantly, relationships to help bring this positive change to fruition, and to help maintain it. The mission of The Edge is, "...to challenge men and women in leadership to influence those in their company by taking their relationship with Jesus to work in highly transferable, relational, and exciting ways". Or if you prefer, Proverbs 27:17.

The Edge is coming up on its one year anniversary. Currently there are over 40 different types of businesses with many companies and leaders involved regularly. This newsletter is the first of many that will offer info, resources, articles, and connections to encourage and help influencers like you to Be The Edge in your world. Take a look and jump in. Hey, it's free!

Be The Edge,

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Meet Hans Vander Reijden and his company, Ithaka Hospitality Partners, and see why they are one of our original The Edge companies and partners. Follow this link: <u>'The heart and soul of</u> our company;' AU Hotel gives back

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### The Law, My Faith, and Work

I have had a number of Christian business leaders ask me about the law and taking their faith to work. I am very comfortable sharing what I see working in various business settings. Everything from publicly traded companies, privately owned companies, public/private partnerships and government offices. However, not being a lawyer, I hesitate to tell anyone their legal standing. In the following article, the American Center for Law and Justice answers legal questions and can help a leader navigate their work environment. Let me state what I saw as a key takeaway from this document, though, "In short, there is no law requiring the workplace to be a religion-free zone." Enjoy reading! - Kevin

Christian Rights in the Workplace



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