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## Harvard vs. Bible: Which is better for small business?

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If I said to you, “Here is some great business advice from Harvard Business School...,” you would probably give me your full attention right away. You may even take notes and make an attempt to implement the information from one of the world’s most credible authorities on business.



If, on the other hand, I said to you, “Here is some great business advice from the Bible...,” your first reaction may be one of curiosity, tempered with skepticism. In fact, unless you are a devoted follower of Jesus Christ, you may be unlikely to take me seriously.

Let me inform you of a fact that is quickly being forgotten in the context our modern educational system—especially in the business education realm. Many years ago, Harvard University used the Bible as a teaching textbook for their business studies!<sup>1</sup>

The reality is this: the very best business counsel that I’ve ever found throughout my 20+ years of running my own enterprise has originated from the Bible.

Years ago, I was attending an expensive, week-long business development training program when I recognized a fact that I had been missing in running my business for too long. I realized that the very Bible lessons that I learned as a child in Sunday school were rife with principles that had direct positive implications for my accounting business. It has been 17 years since I realized that everything I needed to know to improve my business could be found between the pages of Genesis and Revelation. And through the application of these Biblical principles, my business has been transformed from a daily drudgery to a joy.

Now, I'm not discounting the fact that Harvard is a fine business school. However, I am saying that you do not need to move to Boston and spend mega-money for a Harvard MBA to become an expert at running a small business.

Instead, if you will try digging deep into the Word of God and fleshing out the Biblical business principles found in Scripture, you will be amazed at the golden nuggets of wisdom that you will find. While the huge impact of applying Scripture lessons to business is well worth the effort, it is obvious that doing so is no small task! It is for that reason that The Word on Business exists—to help you discover and apply Biblical business wisdom to improve your small business.

The Word on Business will bring you articles, resources, courses, books and a Christian business community forum to help you discover and apply God's wisdom to your business.

If you are interested in learning more about how you can apply Biblical wisdom to your business, please click [here](#) and we will send you a free starting resource and will keep you informed as more resources become available.

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