



Called to Create



Dream of starting a business? This 7-day plan blends Scripture with practical startup steps—helping young men launch ventures with faith, grit, and Kingdom vision.



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Introduction

Entrepreneurship is everywhere—podcasts, side-hustle reels, “rise-and-grind” memes. Yet for a young man who loves Jesus, launching a business is more than making cash or becoming his own boss; it’s stewarding God-given creativity to solve real problems and bless others.

The Bible is packed with men who took risks, managed resources, and built ventures—Joseph ran Egypt’s grain economy, Bezalel crafted the Tabernacle, Paul stitched tents to fund missions. Their success wasn’t luck; it flowed from vision, diligence, and reliance on God.

This 7-day study will:

1. Anchor your startup dream in Scripture and prayer.
2. Give **practical steps**—validating ideas, drafting a lean plan, finding mentors, handling money, and marketing ethically.
3. Shape a Kingdom mindset so profits serve people, not just pockets.

Grab a journal, pray for boldness, and let’s start building—brick by brick, verse by verse.





Day 1: Discovering Your God-Given Idea



Your Verse

Exodus 31:2–5 (NIV)

“See, I have chosen Bezalel son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills— to make artistic designs for work in gold, silver and bronze, to cut and set stones, to work in wood, and to engage in all kinds of crafts.”

Supporting Scriptures

- *Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)*

“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”



Devotional: God Doesn't Waste Skills—He Directs Them

Entrepreneurship isn't reserved for the elite, the Ivy League, or those with a trust fund. God has always been in the business of calling men with everyday talents and filling them with His Spirit to accomplish divine work in practical ways.

In Exodus 31, we meet Bezalel. He's not a prophet, a king, or a priest—he's an artisan. But God chooses him to help build the Tabernacle, the most sacred place on Earth at the time. Why? Because God delights in using skilled hands and willing hearts to carry out His work. That means your creativity, work ethic, and business ideas can absolutely be holy ground.

If God gave you a passion—whether for fashion, fitness, tech, or trades—He may be inviting you to create something meaningful out of it. That idea you keep thinking about? It might not be random. It could be the seed of a calling.

Don't underestimate the spark within you. God might be stirring a blueprint that leads to provision, purpose, and Kingdom impact.



Day 1: Discovering Your God-Given Idea

Journaling Prompts

1. What skills or talents come naturally to me, and how might God want to use them in the real world?

2. Reflect on at least five problems you see around you—in your school, city, or online. Now write down one or two ideas that could solve those problems using your gifts.

3. What do people often come to me for help with? Could that point toward something I'm meant to offer as a service or product?



4. Spend time in prayer asking God to highlight one idea or opportunity you should explore. Write down what comes to mind—even if it feels small.

5. Reach out to one person today (a mentor, friend, or youth pastor) and talk about what you wrote above. Reflect on how they responded.



Day 1: Discovering Your God-Given Idea

Prayer for Today

Father God, thank You for wiring me uniquely. You didn't make me by accident, and You didn't give me these ideas or skills just to sit on them. Lord, awaken the potential in me. Show me how my passions and frustrations can lead to a purpose that helps others and honors You. If there's something You want me to build, give me boldness to pursue it. If there's something You want me to wait on, help me trust Your timing. Teach me to hear Your voice above the noise of self-doubt. And let me see business not as a worldly ambition, but as a sacred assignment—if it's from You. I'm listening, Lord. Speak. In Jesus' name, amen.





Day 2: Write the Vision Down



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Your Verse

Habakkuk 2:2–3 (NIV) “Then the Lord replied: ‘Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay.’”

Supporting Scriptures

- *Proverbs 16:3 (NIV) “Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.”*



Day 2: Write the Vision Down

Devotional: Vision Is the First Act of Faith

A lot of young men dream big but never take the first small step: writing it down. God gave Habakkuk a vision and told him to record it, clearly and simply, so it could guide others. That same instruction applies to your entrepreneurial journey.

When you write the vision down, you move from vague ambition to real accountability. A written plan becomes a prayerful conversation between you and God. It helps you clarify what you're building, why you're building it, and how it serves others.

Even if your idea is still forming, document what you know: What problem are you solving? Who are you helping? Why does this matter to you? When will you take your first step?

Remember, your vision may start small. It might be a business that serves just 10 people at first. But don't despise small beginnings. What starts as a journal entry today may grow into a generational blessing tomorrow.



Day 2: Write the Vision Down

Journaling Prompts

1. What vision or idea do I believe God may be placing on my heart? Write it out clearly in 2–3 sentences as if it were already real.

2. Who would this business help or bless? What specific need does it meet in their life?

3. What resources, tools, or knowledge do I need to take the first step toward this vision? List three things.



4. When could I realistically begin? Write down one date within the next 30 days to act on a small part of this idea.

5. Ask God to show you if your vision is aligned with His will. What does your spirit feel when you sit in silence with this dream?



Day 2: Write the Vision Down

Prayer for Today

Lord, You are the God of vision, clarity, and purpose. You never operate in chaos or confusion. Today, I bring You the dream You've been whispering into my heart. Even if I'm unsure about all the details, I choose to write it down and offer it back to You. Make it clear. Make it plain. And help me trust that You'll unfold it one step at a time. I pray that this vision wouldn't just serve me—it would serve others and glorify You. Give me the discipline to follow through and the wisdom to pause when needed. Show me the timing, the path, and the purpose behind this calling. In Jesus' name, amen.





Day 3: Facing Fear and Taking the First Step



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Your Verse

Joshua 1:9 (NIV)

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”

Supporting Scriptures

- *2 Timothy 1:7 (NIV)*

“For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.”



Day 3: Facing Fear and Taking the First Step

Devotional: Fear is Normal—But Obedience Is Greater

Every entrepreneur, leader, or builder has stood on the edge of something new and felt the grip of fear. It's normal. But fear doesn't get to dictate whether or not we obey God's calling.

God knew Joshua was afraid when He called him to lead Israel into the Promised Land. That's why He didn't just give Joshua a strategy—He gave him a promise: “I will be with you wherever you go.”

That same promise is yours today. God won't call you to launch something and then leave you alone to figure it out. He's the One who goes before you, walks with you, and strengthens you when you hesitate.

The truth is, most young men never start their businesses because of fear. Fear of failure. Fear of embarrassment. Fear of what others will think. But if the idea came from God, then obedience matters more than outcomes.

You don't have to have it all figured out today. You just need the courage to take *one* step.



Day 3: Facing Fear and Taking the First Step

Journaling Prompts

1. What specific fears come up when I think about starting my own business? Name them honestly and bring them before God.

2. When have I faced fear in the past and still followed through? What helped me push through it?

3. What is one small, tangible action I can take this week to move closer to launching my idea? (E.g., buy a domain name, open a business bank account, talk to a mentor.)



4. Write a short letter to your future self about why you're taking this leap now—and how it feels to finally stop waiting.

5. Ask God to help you separate irrational fear from healthy caution. What did you sense in your spirit as you prayed?



Day 3: Facing Fear and Taking the First Step

Prayer for Today

Father, You know my fears even better than I do. You see where I hold back, where I hesitate, and where I've let doubt speak louder than Your voice. Today, I lay those fears down. I surrender the need to be perfect or impressive and choose instead to be faithful. Fill me with the same courage You gave Joshua. Help me to believe that if You've called me to this path, You'll walk every step with me. Give me boldness to move even when I feel uncertain. And let today be the day I stop procrastinating and start obeying. In Jesus' name, amen.





Day 4: Building with Integrity



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Your Verse

Proverbs 10:9 (NIV) “Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out.”

Supporting Scriptures

- *Luke 16:10 (NIV) “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.”*



Day 4: Building with Integrity

Devotional: Your Character Is the Foundation

A successful business isn't built on money, marketing, or momentum. It's built on *character*. If you compromise your integrity to get ahead—cutting corners, exaggerating value, or deceiving people—you're laying a foundation of sand. It might hold for a while, but it won't last.

God isn't just interested in what you build. He cares deeply about how you build it.

Jesus said that trustworthiness in small things reveals the kind of person we are when the stakes get higher. That means how you handle a \$10 expense today or a simple client request is a reflection of your future potential.

The marketplace needs more Christian men who aren't just ambitious—but also *honest*. Men whose handshake means something. Men who would rather lose a sale than lose their soul.

Let your brand be associated with integrity, not just innovation. That kind of business reflects the kingdom of God.



Day 4: Building with Integrity

Journaling Prompts

1. Are there any areas where I'm tempted to compromise my integrity just to get ahead faster? Confess them honestly before God.

2. What does it look like to build a business with Christian values—not just in theory, but in daily decisions?

3. Reflect on a time when you saw someone succeed without integrity. What was the long-term result?



4. Write a personal mission statement that includes a commitment to truth, fairness, and God-honoring ethics in business.

5. What guardrails can I put in place now (financially, relationally, and spiritually) to protect my integrity as I grow?



Day 4: Building with Integrity

Prayer for Today

Lord, You are the God of truth, light, and righteousness. I don't want to build anything that looks good on the outside but is rotten underneath. Purify my motives. Cleanse my habits. Shape me into a man who is honest when no one is watching. Help me resist shortcuts, lies, or self-promotion that sacrifices character. I want my work to reflect Your kingdom—where people are served with excellence and integrity. May I walk securely in all I do, because I walk closely with You. In Jesus' name, amen.





Day 5: Learning to Handle Money Wisely



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Your Verse

Proverbs 21:5 (NIV)

“The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty.”

Supporting Scriptures

- ***1 Timothy 6:10 (NIV)***

“For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.”



Devotional: Stewardship Before Success

When God entrusts you with money through your business, He's watching how you manage it. Money isn't evil—but how we treat it reveals what's in our hearts. Do we worship money? Or do we worship with our money?

As a young entrepreneur, it's easy to think that more money will solve all your problems. But if you don't learn how to manage a little, more will only multiply the pressure and the temptation. That's why financial wisdom isn't optional—it's foundational.

Start now. Make a simple budget. Tithe from your first profits. Learn to live below your means. Reinvest strategically. Track every dollar. If you wait until you're rich to be wise with money, you'll never get there.

Wealth is a test of stewardship. And God is honored by young men who don't just dream about success—but who discipline themselves for it.



Day 5: Learning to Handle Money Wisely

Journaling Prompts

1. What is my current mindset around money? Am I anxious, greedy, or content? Be honest with yourself and bring that to the Lord.

2. Do I have a budget for my personal life and business plan? If not, what's stopping me? How can I begin building one today?

3. How will I honor God with my profits from this business? Am I willing to give even before I feel "ready"?

4. Reflect on any past financial mistakes and what you learned from them.



5. Write out 3 simple money principles you want to live and build by—then turn them into a personal stewardship code.



Day 5: Learning to Handle Money Wisely

Prayer for Today

God, You are the true Provider. Every good thing I have comes from You, and I want to steward it well. Teach me not to chase money, but to honor You with it. Help me to be disciplined, generous, and wise with what I earn. Show me how to budget with clarity and invest with integrity. May I never trade my peace for profit or my purpose for a bigger paycheck. Let money serve Your mission in my life—not the other way around. I trust You, Lord, and I ask for Your wisdom in every financial decision. In Jesus' name, amen.





Day 6: Surround Yourself with the Right People



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Proverbs 13:20 (NIV) “Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.”

Supporting Scriptures

- *Ecclesiastes 4:9–10 (NIV) “Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.”*



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Devotional: You Don't Build Alone

Even the most talented builders can't construct something great alone. God designed us for community—not just in friendships, but in purpose-driven partnerships. Who you allow into your life and business will shape the outcome more than you think.

Some people will drain you. Others will sharpen you. A few will speak life into your ideas, while others will silently root for your failure. That's why discernment in relationships is one of the most overlooked but critical keys to success.

As you start your business journey, ask yourself: Who's on my team? Who do I go to for advice? Who is praying for me, challenging me, and celebrating with me when I grow?

God often speaks through wise mentors and encourages us through peers who share our values. Choose carefully. If you walk with fools, you'll stumble. But if you walk with the wise, you'll rise.



Day 6: Surround Yourself with the Right People

Journaling Prompts

1. Who are the five people I spend the most time with? Are they helping me grow in wisdom, faith, and business maturity—or pulling me backward?

2. Do I have a godly mentor, business advisor, or accountability partner in my life? If not, who could I reach out to this week?

3. Reflect on a time someone's influence either helped or hurt your growth. What lesson did that teach you?



4. Make a list of the kinds of people you want in your circle—faith-filled, wise, experienced, encouraging—and pray for those relationships to grow.

5. How can I be a wise friend and encourager to someone else who's starting their journey?



Day 6: Surround Yourself with the Right People

Prayer for Today

Father, thank You for the gift of community. I know I can't walk this journey alone. Please surround me with godly men who speak truth, offer wisdom, and believe in Your calling on my life. Remove the voices of negativity, distraction, or deceit. Teach me how to recognize the people You've sent to walk beside me—and help me to be that kind of person for someone else. In every partnership and friendship, may You be at the center. In Jesus' name, amen.





Day 7: Leaving a Legacy That Lasts



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Your Verse

Psalm 112:1–2 (NIV) “Praise the Lord. Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who find great delight in his commands. Their children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.”

Supporting Scriptures

- *Matthew 6:19–20 (NIV) “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven... For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”*



Day 7: Leaving a Legacy That Lasts

Devotional: Build to Bless

What if the business you're dreaming of isn't just for you? What if God wants to use it to bless people long after you're gone?

True success isn't measured by revenue—it's measured by *impact*. God doesn't want you to build a company that dies when you do. He wants you to build a legacy that lives on in others—your family, your employees, your church, your community, and generations beyond.

The world chases riches. But we're called to pursue *righteousness* that multiplies. You leave a legacy by how you treat people, how you lead in truth, how you give generously, and how you stand firm in your faith when it's not popular.

Your time here is short. But what you build can echo into eternity when you let God lead every decision.

Don't just build a business. Build the kingdom.



Day 7: Leaving a Legacy That Lasts

Journaling Prompts

1. What kind of legacy do I want to leave through my business, my faith, and my relationships? Be specific and write it out clearly.

2. Am I living and building with eternity in mind—or only focused on short-term success?

3. Who in my life right now could benefit from the gifts, wisdom, or resources I already have?



4. Imagine your future children or mentees reading your journal one day.
What values do you want them to see in you?

5. Ask God to help you identify any self-focused goals and to transform them into mission-minded, people-serving vision.



Day 7: Leaving a Legacy That Lasts

Prayer for Today

God, I don't want to waste this life chasing empty success. Help me build something eternal. Let my business be a vessel of Your love, truth, and justice. Teach me to give, serve, and lead in a way that points people to You. I want my legacy to be more than numbers—it should reflect Your glory. Help me bless future generations through how I live today. I surrender all I've built to You, and I trust You to multiply it for Your purposes. In Jesus' name, amen.





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