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Time Stewardship & Wisdom: Handout

CURRENT CONDITIONS

The past is important to view, for perspective... but, it is behind you. Where you are, today, is even more important. What is your current status, on the broad- front of life's most important issues and relationships?

A key benchmark will come straight from your gut regarding these 10 critical life assignments. How you feel about your current standing in these matters will be symptomatic of your real conditions, and will probably motivate you toward the pursuit of positive life change on multiple fronts.

This is a 1-10 status statement; the numbers carry meaning:

- 1: You are falling behind your peer world, and you know it;
- 2-4: You aren't dead-last, but there aren't many behind you;
- 5: You are smack-dab in the middle of your peer-group bell curve;
- 6-9: You are ahead of the majority...
but there are some great peer leaders in front of you;
- 10: You are running with the leaders, and are a motivation to those behind you.

The goal here is not humility; it is honesty. Plot yourself, as you view yourself against your Christian peer community, on these vital dimensions of your life, today.

Circle the number that best reflects where you are today for each area on the next page.



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Your Status today represents progress from your recent past...and the point of beginning for your next achievements. Use this graph/grid to plot today's positions in the Ten Commitments of Biblical Perspective. This is not empirical; it calls for your personal, subjective, qualitative evaluations.

REALM	*	COMMITMENT	Falling Behind			Holding Your Own				Setting the Pace		
PERSONAL	*	PHYSICAL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
PERSONAL	*	INTELLECTUAL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
PERSONAL	*	RELATIONAL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
PERSONAL	*	SPIRITUAL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
FAMILY	*	MARRIAGE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
FAMILY	*	PARENTING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
PROFESSIONAL	*	CAREER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
PROFESSIONAL	*	FINANCE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
KINGDOM	*	CHURCH	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
KINGDOM	*	WORLD SERVING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
KINGDOM	*	STEWARDSHIP	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

This is a profile of your current experience of Biblical Perspective.

Currently, which is your strongest category? _____

Currently, which category is the most challenging? _____



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BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE

We don't *achieve* fitness through competition; instead, we *demonstrate* our fitness in competition. In life, the real competition is found in the hands-on roles we are called to play in the family and in the marketplace.

We want to pay special attention to the challenge of defining biblical success in marriage, in parenting, in career and in stewardship. Through the pursuit of biblical success, we are able to earn the reputation of faithfulness and the release found in freedom that propels the person with biblical perspective to the next level... which is reserved for those who have proven themselves, in God's terms.

Based on your *awareness*, how would you rate *performance*?

AWARENESS ASSESSMENT:

How confident are you that you could define biblical success in each of these crucial roles of life? Use a 1-10 scale:

Marriage	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Parenting	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Career	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Stewardship	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

AGGREGATE SCORE: _____

PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL:

Measured against the biblical standards, how are you doing in each area today? Use a 1-10 scale:

Marriage	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Parenting	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Career	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Stewardship	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

AGGREGATE SCORE: _____