



THE CORPORATE ALTAR: CLEARING THE MODERN HIGH PLACES

2 Chronicles 34

King Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he did what was right in the sight of the Lord. In the eighth year of his reign, while he was still young, he began to seek the God of his father David; and in the twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem of the high places, the wooden images, the carved images, and the molded images. They broke down the altars of the Baals in his presence, and the incense altars that were above them he cut down; and the wooden images, the carved images, and the molded images he broke in pieces, and made dust of them and scattered it on the graves of those who had sacrificed to them. He also burned the bones of the priests on their altars, and cleansed Judah and Jerusalem. And so he did in the cities of Manasseh, Ephraim, and Simeon, as far as Naphtali and the surrounding ruins. When he had broken down the altars and the wooden images, had beaten the carved images into powder, and cut down all the incense altars throughout all the land of Israel, he returned to Jerusalem.



As a Kingdom executive, your marketplace influence is your assignment. You manage assets, direct teams, and scale operations. Yet, the ancient account of King Josiah reveals a critical operational truth for modern leadership. True reformation does not begin with new strategies. It begins with a radical cleansing of our internal and external environments. Josiah inherited a kingdom cluttered with compromise. Instead of managing the clutter, he systematically demolished every idol.

Under the New Covenant, this narrative shifts from physical altars to the terrain of the heart and the marketplace. You are no longer trying to earn God's favor through legalistic cleansing. Instead, you operate from the finished work of Christ. Your heart is the temple of the living God. However, subtle "high places" can still creep into executive life. These are the modern idols: reliance on human intellect, validation from profit margins, or the anxiety of self-preservation.

Josiah did not merely tolerate these competing altars; he ground them into dust. For a business leader, this means auditing your operations and motives. It means identifying where greed, compromise, or fear has built a stronghold. When you purge these hidden reliances, you make room for divine architecture. You shift your business from a vehicle of self-aggrandizement to an altar of Kingdom advancement.



Reformation requires courage. It means dismantling business practices that yield profit but compromise integrity. It means replacing toxic corporate cultures with honor, justice, and truth. As you cleanse your sphere of influence, you establish a standard of excellence that reflects the governance of heaven. You cease to be a secular executive who happens to be a Christian. You become a practical reformer transforming an industry.

 Practical Outcomes

Conduct an Integrity Audit: Review your current contracts, financial reporting, and marketing strategies. Immediately dismantle any practice that relies on deception, manipulation, or compromise.

Establish Culture Boundaries: Identify and eliminate toxic workplace behaviors—such as gossip, exploitation, or favoritism—that act as modern "high places" destroying your team's environment.

Shift from Ownership to Stewardship: Formally transfer ownership of your business to God. Treat your executive role as a management position under Heaven's governance, anchoring major decisions in prayer.

 Faith Declarations

- My business is a clean sanctuary dedicated wholly to the advancement of God's Kingdom.
- I intentionally tear down every idol of anxiety, pride, and self-reliance in my professional life.
- The wisdom of the New Covenant guides my executive decisions, producing unmatched integrity and excellence.
- I operate from a place of rest, knowing that my ultimate success is secured by Christ's finished work.