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TABLE

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Developing Your **BHAGGs**

**Big, Hairy, Audacious,
God-Sized Goals**

Start Here



"Redeeming Your Time - BHAGGs"



3:33

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Key Verses This Month:

- Luke 18:27 "What is impossible with man . . ."
- Psalm 37:4 "Delight yourself in the Lord . . ."
- Joshua 3:5 "Consecrate yourselves . . ."
- Ephesians 3:20 "to him who is able to do far more abundantly . . ."
- Hebrews 11:6 "without faith it is impossible to please him . . ."

There are times in our lives when we simply cannot see how God is going to handle a situation, deliver us from a set of circumstances, or cause something to happen. Joshua understood this. As he was leading the Israelite people to their new land, they had to cross the Jordan River. Exactly how does one lead a nation of people across a body of water? The same way that we must lead our families. The same way you must lead people. The same way we get through troubled times today: we must depend on the Lord to do it for us.

Every year as Truth At Work members we develop BHAGGs (Big, Hairy, Audacious, God-sized Goals). BHAGGs fight the leader's tendency to be self-sufficient, believe they're in control, and lack trust in the Lord. These goals train us to pursue God, His Word, and His Will.

BHAGGs are critical for Christian business owners. They are a potential antidote for the self-sufficiency we often live by in our flesh. Creating these goals reflects a practice of willfully declaring our dependence on Christ. The goals themselves also help us recognize who our provider is.

A BHAGG is something that you are trusting God to do, in some area of your life, that is SO BIG that, when it does happen, God—and God alone—gets the credit and glory for it.

A BHAGG is something that you could not do on your own. It is not up to you to accomplish; you could never accomplish it even if you had 365 of your best days in a row. These goals will take a supernatural act of God to achieve them.

A BHAGG expects us to partner with and trust God as we go through this process. There are two parts: God's part and our part.

- **God's part** is to be the sovereign provider (Psalm 147:8; Philippians 4:19; Matthew 6:31–33), as He gives us the talents, abilities, resources, education, business acumen, and even the ability to develop plans and execute them.
- **Our part** is to be a faithful steward of what God has provided and entrusted to us. To commit to ongoing, fervent prayer (James 5:16b; Daniel 10) and to be ready to act when God asks us to be involved in His work of answering a BHAGG.

We can “partner” with God in achieving our BHAGGs, but He must make them happen. For example, if your BHAGG is for a loved one to know and trust Christ, you can (and should) pray for that to happen, and you can even have conversations with that person, but only God can make the BHAGG come to fruition.

We often develop well-thought-out, detailed plans, place a signature line on the bottom line and then ask, “God, would you please approve my plans?” What would it look like to instead sign the bottom of a blank piece of paper and say, “God, I trust you to fill this out.” God is sovereign. BHAGGs are not. God can lead us to a BHAGG, and He can lead us away from one. Our challenge is to not fall more in love with a BHAGG than we are in love with God.

There are a few key things to remember when establishing your BHAGGs:

- They must be so big only God can do them.
- They must stretch your faith. You should have no idea how they can happen.
- They need to be specific so that if and when they occur you will know it and there can be no chalking it up to a “coincidence.”

Setting Your BHAGGs

Then Joshua said to the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you." – Joshua 3:5

Take a moment to write out three things that you are trusting the Lord to do in your life this year. Make sure they are big things; things that, once they happen, you cannot take the credit for because only God can do them.

Maybe it is seeing your business or company attain certain benchmarks or objectives. Maybe it is seeing harmony and unity develop in your home or family. Maybe it is seeing a family member or friend trust Christ for their salvation.

Whatever your three goals are, write them down. Keep them in your Bible or somewhere that you will see them regularly. Pray for those things every day, trusting God to deliver on them according to His will.

At the end of this year, let's celebrate together all that God has done among us.

SUGGESTED STEPS FOR SETTING BHAGGS

1. Prayerfully identify your BHAGGs with the Lord.
2. Write them down in detail (so you won't forget).
3. Share them wisely (with your Round Table, Accountability partner, spouse, etc.).
4. Post them visibly (to keep them top of mind).
5. Pray for them daily (diligently seek the Lord).
6. Believe that God hears you.
7. Give God all the glory.

Your God-Sized Goals for This Year

1.

2.

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QUESTIONS

1. How are you going to keep your BHAGGs in front of you and incorporate them into your regular thought pattern throughout the year?
2. How can your Round Table engage with you to help you accomplish your BHAGGs?