

**INTERNATIONAL BIBLE CHURCH (IBC) LINZ**

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*...then you shall know the truth and the truth will set you free. Jn.8:32*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTLINE**

**28:06:15**

**Theme: UNEQUAL YOKE AND CHRISTIAN BUSINESS ETHICS**

**Memory Verse:** *2 Corinthians 6:14 “Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness?”*

**Texts: 2 Chronicles 25:1-10**

The Old Testament, right from the days of the Patriarchs, particularly Abraham, till the time of the prophets, emphatically discountenanced unequal yoke. The dispensation of grace clearly indicates that we must remain distinct from unbelievers. “Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers”. The reasons for this are not far-fetched.

First, the believer stands to God in a very special relation, “For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth” (Deuteronomy 7:6). The Christian is one chosen from the unholy mass to be peculiarly God’s property. He belongs to God in body, soul and spirit. He is a vessel for the Master’s use. His very power, life, relationship is to be governed by the word of God. In this special relation, he must have nothing to do with evil or sin.

He must unite with others of like precious faith to fight against evil and must be a light to the dark world around and savour to the savour-less business and social conduct of his world. In this elevated position of honour and holiness, the believer is summoned to take up an attitude of non-conformity to unbelievers. This informs why he is warned against unequal yoke in one hand and upholding of Christian business ethics on the other. A believer has a different spirit in dealing with anything in life. The lifestyle of the way a believer handle his business must be special in the sight of God. As for his conduct in business and everything, God is honour and praise.