

A woman with long brown hair, wearing a red top, is looking at a computer monitor in an office. Another woman with dark hair is seated in front of the monitor, and a man is partially visible in the foreground. The office background includes a desk with a keyboard, a blue cup, and a cardboard box.

BREAKTHROUGH

— FAITH AND WORK —

ACTION PLAN

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Transform any crisis you face in your work into a breakthrough by following these steps.

1 DEFINE THE BROKENNESS

Right Mindset: Give yourself time to grieve and seek God knowing He will help you and turn things around for good.

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” – John 16:33

Understand Reality: Assess the situation so you avoid the trap of blowing it out of proportion or underestimating what’s needed.

“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.” – Deuteronomy 31:6

What is the brokenness in your work that you feel called to address? Why?

How is it misaligned with God’s Kingdom? What are its root causes?

2 IMAGINE RENEWAL

Imagine a New Reality: Be prepared to let go of what you think should be and allow God to show you the new thing He is doing.

“See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.” – Isaiah 43:19

What does it look like for this brokenness to be “renewed” in God’s Kingdom? How do you propose to do that?

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PLAN FOR ACTION

Boldly Have Tough Conversations: Address issues head on by speaking the truth in love.

“If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over.” – Matthew 18:15

Guard Your Thoughts: Be proactive about your emotional and mental health. When something triggers you, move, name it, pray and trust God.

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” – Philippians 4:6-7

What steps do you need to take to carry out your plan? What resources do you need? What is your timeline for accomplishing your plan?

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PERSONAL HABITS & PRACTICES

Focus on the Main Thing: Turn to God’s Word and prayer, keeping your eyes fixed on Jesus.

“Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.” – Hebrews 12:2

What personal habits and practices do you have to commit to in order to pursue your plan? Remember, you are more likely to have success if you prioritize fewer things.