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In Nehemiah 2:4 he describes the exchange: "Then the king said to me, 'What would you request?' So I prayed to the God of heaven." Instead of going into appointments fearing what your fellow man will say, you can have confidence that God is superintending the whole process. This book will help you embrace the fact that this is not a Man Ask. No. It is a God Ask! Author: Steve Shadrach Publisher: ISBN: 9780982510735 Category: Religion Page: 0 View: 626 DOWNLOAD NOW » As a ministry worker, raising support can be a daunting task. It doesn't have to be intimidating though. It isn't about money or asking people to give. It is about looking to God to provide for you. He has given you a vision for ministry, and now you get to invite others into that vision. Your job is to pray and work hard to discover those whom the Lord has already prepared to invest in you and your ministry. God has done His work. Now it's time for you to do yours --Amazon.com. Author: Elizabeth A. Johnson Publisher: A&C Black ISBN: 1472903757 Category: Religion Page: 342 View: 858 DOWNLOAD NOW » For millennia plant and animal species have received little sustained attention as subjects of Christian theology and ethics in their own right. Focused on the human dilemma of sin and redemptive grace, theology has considered the doctrine of creation to be mainly an overture to the main drama of human being's relationship to God. What value does the natural world have within the framework of religious belief? The crisis of biodiversity in our day, when species are going extinct at more than 1,000 times the natural rate, renders this question acutely important. Standard perspectives need to be realigned; theology needs to look out of the window, so to speak as well as in the mirror. Ask the Beasts: Darwin and the God of Love leads to the conclusion that love of the natural world is an intrinsic element of faith in God and that far from being an add-on, ecological care is at the centre of moral life. Author: Trevor Hudson Publisher: Struik Christian Media ISBN: 1415310092 Category: Religion Page: 122 View: 207 DOWNLOAD NOW » Instead of always looking for answers in the Bible, Trevor Hudson suggests that we start thinking more carefully about the questions that God asks. God desires a conversational relationship with us, and He shows this desire by asking questions. God also gives greater dignity to us by allowing us to wrestle with the questions rather than if we are simply given answers. Questions God Asks Us presents ten questions - five from the Old and five from the New Testament - which God had asked and is still asking us as well. They include: Where Are You? Where Is Your Brother? What Are You Doing Here? Who Do You Say I Am? Do You Want to Get Well? Why Are You Crying? There is a much greater power to transform us in a question than there is in a straightforward answer - each chapter includes a section with practical suggestions to answer God's question and discover this for yourself. It also includes discussion questions for study groups. Questions God Asks Us is bound in a handy gift format with beautiful full-colour images printed on gloss art paper. Author: Mark L. Russell Publisher: New Hope Publishers (AL) ISBN: 9781563096594 Category: Page: 0 View: 427 DOWNLOAD NOW » Both an emerging term and a developing concept, business as mission (BAM) has drawn much fascination in both mission and business circles with the concept of strategically using business to accomplish missional purposes. Though the term is ubiquitous in mission circles, there is great disparity in what it means. There has been much talk about BAM in theory, but far less research done on how it works out in reality. 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The God Ask will help you: Develop a practical step-by-step plan to track and progress toward fully-funding your ministry (even if you're an introvert) Overcome common myths and obstacles in support raising with scripture and stories of God providing for Nehemiah, Elijah, Jesus, and his disciples Utilize proven templates, scripts and frameworks used by staff from 1,000+ organizations Paperback 6" x 9" in size. 0.875 lb ♦ 284 pages Ask the publishers to restore access to 500,000+ books. "Steve Shadrach's The God Ask is destined to be one of the classic rock-solid books on raising personal support. Every Christian worker and missions executive needs to include this book in their support-raising training curriculum. As Steve says, we are mobilizing people, not money. The God Ask will help you adjust your lens of faith so that you can clearly see that God's net worth has not changed since the day of creation, and He is committed to funding His mission." ELLIS F. GOLDSTEIN - National Director, Ministry Partner Development for Cru, the U.S. ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ "Full of practical tools and biblical foundations, The God Ask turns our focus away from our fears and toward faith in God's abundance. Shadrach inspires us toward excellence, courage, and humility. A must-read resource for anyone engaged in support raising!" - Missionary Deployment Coordinator, North American Mission Board, SBC "The God Ask is biblical, practical, and relevant. It will revolutionize your walk and your work in building and sustaining your partnership development team so you can have maximum impact in your life, family, and ministry!" DAVE MEYERS - Director of Development, New Tribes Mission USA "I have known Steve Shadrach for over twenty-five years, and he has always focused on getting the gospel to more and more people around the world. He has a passion and commitment to train workers with excellent God-centered tools for funding their ministry. These tools have benefited Christian workers around the world, including many with Campus Outreach. The God Ask is one excellent resource." MIKE HEARON - Global Resource Team, Campus Outreach "We send all our church planters to Steve's personal support-raising training. In The God Ask, Steve equips, empowers, and inspires you. He's thought through every detail of what you need to do. If you're only going to read one book on support raising, The God Ask is a must-read!" DR. BOB ROWLEY - Evangelical Free Church of America "I have read this book twice already. I can't get enough. You will walk away saying, Please Lord, allow me the honor of raising support." DR. TODD AHREND - International Director, The Traveling Team "Every person on earth needs to encounter Jesus Christ and the salvation He alone offers. This means the world needs workers for the harvest who are fully converted, fully trained and fully funded. Steve Shadrach, in The God Ask, provides a deeply biblical and powerfully convincing call for those who are sent into mission to never go alone. Called by God and accompanied by Him, we will be fully equipped when we have the prayers and full financial support we need to share the gospel without reserve." CURTIS MARTIN - Founder & President, FOCUS-Fellowship of Catholic University Students Author : Steve Shadrach Publisher : Total Pages : 0 Release : 2013-04 ISBN-10 : 098251073X ISBN-13 : 9780982510735 Rating : 4/5 (735 Downloads) Book Synopsis The God Ask by : Steve Shadrach Download or read book The God Ask written by Steve Shadrach and published by . This book was released on 2013-04 with total page 0 pages. Available in PDF, EPUB and Kindle. Book excerpt: As a ministry worker, raising support can be a daunting task. It doesn't have to be intimidating though. It isn't about money or asking people to give. It is about looking to God to provide for you. He has given you a vision for ministry, and now you get to invite others into that vision. Your job is to pray and work hard to discover those whom the Lord has already prepared to invest in you and your ministry. God has done His work. Now it's time for you to do yours--Amazon.com. Developing a Strong Support Team - Building Your Network of Partners Building a strong support team is essential for successful and sustainable fundraising in any faith-based endeavor. Steve Shadrach emphasizes that identifying and approaching potential financial supporters is not merely about seeking funds, but about cultivating a network of partners who share your vision and mission. This foundation begins with recognizing the potential supporters already present in one's life: family, friends, church members, and acquaintances who may have a heart for your ministry. Shadrach addresses the importance of relationship-building as a key element in long-term support. He posits that fundraising is relational rather than transactional. It's about building lasting relationships founded on mutual respect, shared values, and clear communication. As these relationships develop, supporters become more than just financial contributors—they become partners in the mission, deeply invested in its success and sustainability. Practical steps to create and maintain a thriving support team include intentional and strategic approaches to networking. Begin by creating a comprehensive list of potential supporters. This list should include everyone you know—no potential partner should be overlooked initially. Once compiled, prioritize the list based on who you believe would be most interested and capable of supporting your mission. The next step involves reaching out to these individuals. Personalized communication is crucial. Whether by phone, email, or in-person meetings, personalized messages demonstrate care and respect for each potential supporter. Be prepared to share your story and the vision of your mission clearly and passionately. It's important to articulate not only the financial needs but also the broader impact of the mission you are inviting them to support. Maintaining a thriving support team also involves consistent engagement and communication. Regular updates about the progress of the mission, challenges faced, and stories of impact can keep supporters connected and invested. Shadrach suggests that periodic newsletters, personal notes of appreciation, and interactive events (whether virtual or in-person) can significantly enhance the relationship between you and your supporters. Be mindful that this process is not solely about asking for money; it's about creating an inclusive community around your mission. Engage with your supporters by soliciting their advice and prayers, inviting them to events, and acknowledging their contributions not only financially but also spiritually and emotionally. Effective relationship building also requires a level of vulnerability and transparency. Share both the triumphs and the challenges faced in your journey. When supporters see the authenticity of your mission and the genuine need for their partnership, they are more likely to commit more deeply. Honest communication builds trust, and it is trust that will sustain these relationships over the long term. Furthermore, it's crucial to recognize and celebrate the contributions of all supporters, regardless of the amount they give. Shadrach highlights that appreciation should be shown uniformly to all supporters through thank you notes, public acknowledgments, and personal follow-ups. This not only strengthens the bond but also encourages ongoing and increased support. In conclusion, developing a strong support team is foundational to successful fundraising in any mission. By identifying and approaching potential financial supporters with a focus on relationship-building, adopting practical steps to create and maintain these relationships, and consistently engaging with and appreciating supporters, you create a network of partners who are invested in your mission's success. This approach, as outlined by Steve Shadrach in "The God Ask," ensures that the support garnered is sustainable, deeply rooted in shared faith, and aligned with the ultimate purpose of the mission.