

Henricks, HowardTeaching to Change Lives

11. Conclusion: Making the Investment

A closing review of the book's seven laws (the TEACHER acrostic) and a challenge to act on them. The point: principles alone don't change lives — God works through surrendered people, and effective teaching costs something worth paying.

Key takeaways

- The seven laws spell TEACHER: Teacher, Education, Activity, Communication, Heart, Encouragement, Readiness.
- These are principles, but God uses people, not principles — success depends on your openness to God working through you.
- Western Christians tend to be 'information-rich and commitment-poor'; growth requires paying a real price.
- Return to the book as a guide for turning theory into practice.

Passages worth keeping

“The key is not what you do for God but what you allow him to do through you.”

Sums up the chapter's shift from method to surrender.