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“Leaders learn best from other leaders!”
- Bill Hybels

So what do you get when you put together a 2.4 mile swim, a 112 mile bike, and a 26.2 mile run, all in the same day? It's called an Ironman triathlon, an endurance race that challenges its participants to the very core of their physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual condition as they press forward to the prize of finishing the race. Knowing people whom have successfully crossed the finish line, I have learned from their experience that it takes months of training, discipline, and commitment to develop what it takes to stay the course and complete a well-designed training plan. To better frame the training process, it is important to understand that it requires much more than a walk in the park a couple of times per week. It takes months and sometimes years to develop the physical stamina, mental toughness, emotional strength, and spiritual foundation to even legitimately qualify as a participant. Because of the athletic excellence required, training with and learning from an Ironman whom has successfully done it, can make all the difference for the person training for an Ironman triathlon.

So you may be saying to yourself, who cares about this Ironman stuff anyway. I have no desire to paddle a canoe 2.4 miles much less swim it and then do those other extreme things. Well that may be true. However, did you know that it is the same process to become a person of leadership excellence, as it is to become a person of athletic

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excellence? Commitment, perseverance, discipline, self-control, recovery, training, development, time, all of the elements of Ironman training, are also part of the training process for becoming a person of leadership excellence in your community, business, and home. Excellent leadership is not a spectator sport; therefore, to become an excellent leader, you must invest time and personally participate in the training and development process. Entering the realm of leadership without a serious commitment to leadership training and development is as foolish as entering the Ironman without a serious commitment to athletic training and development.

Proverbs 27:17 teaches “as iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another”; therefore, to become a leader of Ironman quality, find a leader with a spirit of excellence, connect with them, and learn from them. Finding the right leadership mentors can make all the difference for the person developing as an excellent leader. Moreover, freely teaching others what you have been freely taught fulfills the Law of Greatness in the kingdom of God - esteeming others greater than yourself. Therefore, with a spirit of humility and generosity, freely mentor people into greater heights of leadership excellence and become a great leader of leaders that unleashes the extraordinary potential of others to make a real difference in life!

**The Make It Happen Training and Development Value:
“Make It Happen” People Invest and Participate in Training
and Development!**

Have A Blessed “Make It Happen” Week!

“Everything is possible for him who believes.” Mark 9:23 NIV

*NIV study notes add “a person who truly believes will set no limits on what God can do
[for them and through them].”*



® Bill Hybels is the author of the book titled, *Courageous Leadership*. To order a copy of this Make It Happen Book™ officially endorsed by The Make It Happen Learning Institute, please [Click Here](#).

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