



The Plimsoll Line

Drawing the line that contributes to personal and organizational health.



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Obligations
Surprises

Week 4
Drawing the line
around your life &
leadership

- Why don't we draw the line?
- How do we draw the line?
- What do we do when we can't draw the line? (Jesus' sustainability plan)



Why don't we draw the line?

1. We forget our freedom. 1 Cor 7:39; Galatians 5:1
2. We are victims of identity theft. Col 3:4; 1 Cor 4:1-3
3. We've lost sight of our mission. Patton/Mk 1:38
4. We get "duty." We've forgotten "delight." Eccl 5:18-20
5. We don't have a rev limiter. Truckers/Jesus (Mk 6:31)

60/70-Hour Limit — May not drive after 60/70 hours on duty in 7/8 consecutive days. A driver may restart a 7/8 consecutive day period after taking 34 or more consecutive hours off duty.



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Why don't you draw the line?

How do we draw the line?



Turn to page 17 in *The Plimsoll Line*. Work through the exercise. As you do, consider the insights from the next three slides.

Anything less than a conscious
commitment to the important
is an unconscious commitment
to the unimportant.

Stephen Covey

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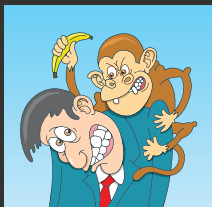
MacDonald's Laws of Unseized Time

We often fail to capture our time because we forget the following ...



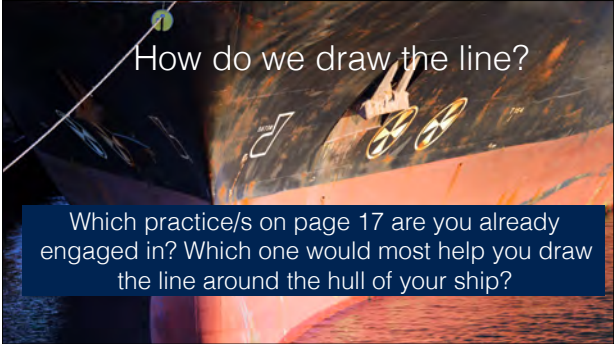
1. Unseized time flows toward my weakness.
2. Unseized time comes under the influence of dominant people in my life.
3. Unseized time surrenders to the demands of all emergencies.
4. Unseized time gets invested in things that gain public acclamation.

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People often come to us with a
monkey (problem, challenge,
difficulty) on their back. Caring
for them does not mean we must
carry their monkey. We can help
bear burdens (Galatians 6:2)
without always having to carry
someone's monkey.

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How do we draw the line?

Which practice/s on page 17 are you already engaged in? Which one would most help you draw the line around the hull of your ship?

What do we do when we can't draw the line?



Paul experienced “many a sleepless night” (2 Cor. 11:21-32). There were times when he was not able to “offload cargo” from the deck of his ship. Looking at his life we learn what to do when we can't “draw the line.”

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What do we do when we can't draw the line?



- Paul discovered God's grace **is** sufficient to sustain him during these difficult times. See 2 Corinthians 12:7-9

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What do we do when we can't draw the line?



- Paul learned that it is in these difficult, pressing times that we see God's power at work in our lives. God's power **is** made perfect in our weakness. See 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

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What do we do when we can't draw the line?



- Paul learned that God has a way of bringing just the right person alongside to help in these challenging moments — the people we most need when we most need them. God's people **do** come alongside to help. See 2 Corinthians 11:30-33

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What do we do when we can't draw the line?



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