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**Fellowship of Companies for Christ  
 Greater Hartford Chapter  
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- Welcome! Opening prayer and praise reports
- **Today's topic: Should a "Christian" business excel in soft skills?**



*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.*

–Galatians 5:22-23

For the past year or so, the Lord has been sending me down a fascinating journey pertaining to "soft skills," and the message is resonating in the marketplace, both Christian and secular. Today, and possibly in coming weeks, we're going to camp out on this topic and explore whether we, as Christian business owners, need to be more proficient at soft skills, and equip employees to be more polished in them, too.

First, let's define soft skills. What are they?

Second, let's look at the top ten soft skills that employers say they're looking for today:

- Communication
- Decision-making
- Commitment
- Flexibility
- Time management
- Leadership
- Creative problem-solving
- Being a team player
- Accepting responsibility
- Ability to work under pressure

Evaluate yourself from 1 (weak) to 10 (strong) in terms of soft skills.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Why did you give yourself this rating?										
What benefits might you enjoy by being more adept at soft skills?										
What specific actions can you take to do that?										

- Next meetings: July 15, August 5 and 19. *This Is My Story* on Sept 2 with Charlie Fields
- Upcoming events/news
- Closing prayer