FEATURE ARTICLE – Without Christian Values Capitalism is doomed to fail
There are companies like ServiceMaster and Herman Miller, which are run explicitly on Christian principles and have proven that a concern for your employees’ dignity is not incompatible with making a profit. Christianity has shown that capitalism can be the servant of justice, which is why I am so disturbed at Circuit City’s actions. It is yet another reminder of Christianity’s diminished cultural influence, which leaves people as disposable commodities and dehumanized. This is a sober reminder of why restoring a biblical worldview and Christian influence is so urgent.

And some pertinent comments by Al Mohler President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Christians should look at this economic crisis as a test of our values. The Bible values honest labour and dedicated workers, and so should we. The Bible warns against dishonest business practices, and we must be watchful. False valuations are, in effect, lies. Dishonest accounting practices are just sophisticated forms of lying. The Bible honours investment and thrift, and Christians must be wary of the impulse for short-term gains and pressure for instant profit.

The current crisis sheds light on what happens when things get out of control. Dishonesty enters the picture at many levels, and the economy is threatened by a lack of trust. Without trust, the entire system collapses. This current crisis should also remind Christians that we are called to be good stewards. Everything we are, everything we do, and everything we own truly belongs to God and is to be at the disposal of Kingdom purposes. This world is not our home and our treasure is not found here. We are to do all, invest all, own all, purchase all to the glory of God.

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