Investment Leader Checklist

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- Does everyone in my church know I'm the investment leader?
- Have I shared with the church how the Lord and I are working together on my investment project?
- Do I share my vision: The most exciting thing about being an investment leader is...?
- How many people can I name who are doing something for investment?
- Have all investors been invited to share their ideas, successes, or unique projects from the front of the church?
- Do I help non-investors find projects and support their efforts?
- Do I frequently remind Sabbath School members of the four productive types of investment projects: sales, service, savings, and self-denial?
- Have I taken to the Lord the biggest problem I have as an investment leader?
- Am I excited enough about investment that I'm training another person in my church to become an efficient leader?

Pointers for Investment Leaders

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- Spend much time in prayer, asking that god will bless the various projects of your members and draw His investment stewards into a closer relationship with Him.
- Have a project yourself. The investment engineer needs to be on board or the local mission train won't even get out of the station.
- Share positive, true investment stories to warm the hearts of God's people.
- Lead meekly. Don't pressure people to participate against their will, or make them feel guilty if they abstain.
- Some congregations like to set church goals to provide motivation and direction. Others feel that goals and charts destroy the spirituality of investment. It's important to know how your members feel, and to lead them in a way that they will follow. But even if your church has no investment goal, you need to have one in your own mind and work toward that objective.