LEADERSHIP BREAKTHROUGH: WALK THE TALK OF CHANGE

A powerful development process designed to catalyze breakthrough in leaders, teams and their organizations.

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Introduction

Leadership Breakthrough: Walk the Talk of Change (WTTC), is an extremely powerful leadership development process. Many leaders describe it as "life and career changing" because of its deeply personal nature, and its application to both business and personal life. WTTC is about pursuing breakthroughs within oneself to generate breakthroughs in one’s work and life. As you enter this developmental process, we will help you identify the personal breakthroughs you are after. Then, the program will show you how to achieve those breakthroughs.

The purpose of Leadership Breakthrough: Walk the Talk of Change is to catalyze breakthroughs in leaders’ awareness, behavior and skill that radically improve the quality of their individual performance, relationships, team performance, and their ability to lead their organizations to extraordinary business and cultural outcomes.

Leadership Breakthrough is affectionately called “Walk the Talk” by clients because it enables them to do just that – to consistently express their Best Self in their daily actions. You will find that this consistent leadership modeling of your new, positive ways of being, working and relating will impacts your people and culture in powerful ways. And your family and friends.

Walk the Talk is founded on the fundamental principle that all human excellence comes from within, from one’s ability to access higher states of Being, often referred in sports as the “zone” or “flow.” WTTC teaches leaders the inner dynamics of optimal performance and human development, and how to apply them in their self-leadership and leadership of others.

The program is always customized, built around yours and your organization’s most pressing agenda, like implementing key business strategies, solving market or customer challenges, innovating, or transforming culture. You apply what you learn personally to achieving your most essential organizational outcomes.
## Outcomes We Guarantee

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Design of the Process

The power and effectiveness of WTTC occurs because of four design features:

- A balanced mix of many different learning modalities: adult experiential learning, short lecturettes, simulations, one-on-one discussions, team exercises, visualizations, assessments, video, feedback, small group discussions, readings, role plays, and outdoor experiences.

- The weaving of the above learning modalities through four different, yet fully integrated areas: 1) Self Mastery; 2) Relationship Mastery and Communications; 3) Team Mastery; and 4) Organizational Culture and Transformation. The exploration of these areas reveals the underlying human dynamic that governs behavior and performance at all levels of scale. This dramatically increases leaders' ability to lead individuals and the organization to sustained excellence.

- Embodied self-management practices that enable leaders to access higher states of awareness in real time, in all situations, so they change behavior and optimize their own performance, even under high stress.

- Immediate and consistent application of the key insights, tools and skills of the program to the participants' real leadership and change leadership challenges.

Key Topics

The agenda of Leadership Breakthrough: Walk the Talk of Change includes these key topics:

Self Mastery

- Identify the Personal Breakthroughs you are pursuing
- Optimizing: how to manage your inner state for high performance
- Breakthrough practices: daily techniques to evolve yourself from the inside out
- The universal personal change process and how to apply it to transform mindset, emotional reactions and self-limiting behaviors
- Conscious awareness: what it is, how to develop it, and why it is the single most important success factor in leadership
- How to consistently model desired values, behavior and culture
- Life Styles Inventory Assessment and your personal style
- How mindset and perception determine your performance and leadership style
- The "zone"—the internal mental and emotional state of optimal performance – and how to experience it
- Breathing and centering techniques for increased personal performance amid the chaos of change
- Mental conditioning and belief systems, and their impact on leadership behavior and performance
Self-limiting behavioral patterns and how to identify yours
Self-reflection: cultivating a deeper and broader awareness of one’s personal strengths and weaknesses

Relationship Mastery and Communications
- Relationship dynamics and their impact on outcomes
- How to build relationships of trust
- Communicating for impact: how communicating from your higher self draws people to theirs
- Active listening: how it deepens relationships
- “Center-to-Center” communications and its impact on resolving conflict and increasing employee trust and engagement
- Self-disclosure and truth-telling: how to do it in a way that has positive impact on people and change
- Levels of conversation and how to deepen them for greater impact
- Substantially improving relationships, communications and trust with team members

Team Mastery
- High performing team dynamics and how to co-create them
- The transformation from a group to an aligned and committed team
- Healthy discourse: how it catapults teams to extraordinary success, and why most teams cannot do it
- How to make a team a conscious learning environment, and what destroys this possibility
- Truth-telling in teams, and how to ensure that it adds value, is respectful, and delivers positive results
- Course correcting team dynamics: how to intervene and catalyze the team to grow

Organizational Culture and Transformation
- Walking the talk: how leadership modeling sets the tone of high – or low – organizational performance
- The inadvertent things many leaders and leadership teams do to cause a low-performing culture
- Building a co-creative culture of accountability, collaboration and trust
- Leadership behavior and how it establishes the characteristics of your culture
Objectives and Logistics by Event in the Overall Process

Leadership Breakthrough: Walk the Talk of Change is a leadership development process, not simply an event. Minimally, it is a two-month engagement. Depending on the wishes of the team, it can extend longer into advanced levels to maximize leaders’ development and ability to generate breakthroughs in others and the organization. Once a leadership team completes WTTC, they are eligible to engage Being First’s in-house, year-long vertical leadership development program called, “Go Vertical.” Or, they may attend Being First’s public offerings of our Self Mastery Curriculum (with family or other team members). These options give leaders opportunities for further development, follow-up and reinforcement.

There are six phases to the basic Leadership Breakthrough: Walk the Talk of Change process:

1. Introduction to Participants by Key Sponsoring Executive

Objectives

➢ Answer the question, “Why are we doing this?”
➢ Begin to build participants’ desire to participate and their engagement in self-leadership development
➢ Provide high-level understanding of the intended outcomes and agenda for the program
➢ Answer initial questions
➢ Make overt the commitment of the sponsor to the team’s development and the WTTC process

Logistics

➢ Team meeting two to three months before the Retreat (described below)

2. Launch of Program Web Page and Pre-Work Materials

Objectives

➢ Provide participants with resources and access to the assessments they will need to complete prior to the program.

Logistics

➢ Access the password-protected web page via an email from Being First
3. One-on-One Interviews with the Facilitator

Objectives

- Help participants begin to establish the personal leadership breakthrough they are going for in the program
- Clarify personal learning objectives
- Begin participants' introspection and self-discovery
- Launch the Course Pre-Work
- Answer any specific questions

Logistics

- Two to three weeks in advance of the Retreat
- 75-minute discussion
- Face-to-face or via telephone

4. Walk the Talk of Change Off-Site Retreat

Objectives

- Experientially establish self-awareness, mastery and Presence as the source of great leadership, and begin to increase each of them
- Increase understanding of how all human excellence, whether as individuals, in relationships, teams or organizationally, begins in one's interior (mindset and awareness)
- Gain insight about how to apply the above realization pragmatically in one’s leadership of people and the organization
- Significantly increase one’s understanding of human dynamics and how best to manage them to bring out the best in oneself and others
- Learn the pragmatic self-management practices of Olympic athletes and build skills to be able to shift one's internal state to higher levels for improved performance and leadership
- Increase interpersonal communications skills to better engage and motivate others
- Improve relationships within the team; resolve any difficult past history and establish a foundation for breakthrough going forward
- Establish within the team a conscious, learning orientation that will keep the team growing after the retreat
- Increase team members' ability to model the organization’s desired values, culture and behavior, and to support others to do the same
Logistics

- Four- and one-half days
- Conducted off-site at a residential executive retreat center in a natural environment

5. Post-Retreat and Post-Follow-Up Coaching

Objectives

- Further participants’ and the team’s ability to successfully apply what they learned in the Retreat
- Continue encouragement to maintain the motivation of participants to pursue their personal breakthroughs and the practices that support them
- Help participants navigate challenges and resolve problems related to their leadership, relationships and communications, and team performance
- Answer questions and provide support

Logistics

- One post-retreat sixty-minute coaching call by phone, two to three weeks after the Retreat
- One follow-up session sixty-minute coaching call by phone, four to six weeks after the web-based follow-up session

6. Follow Up Online Session

Objectives

- Learn advanced material and take what was learned at the Retreat to the next level
- Provide encouragement and help individuals and the team navigate live leadership challenges and resolve questions
- Deepen the participants' application of their learning to the team's success
- Align the team around their collective choice to continue pursuing their conscious and intentional self, relational and team development

Logistics

- Three-hour online session, one month after the Retreat
Next Steps

For more information, to schedule a program, or to assess the fit of Leadership Breakthrough: Walk the Talk of Change with your team’s needs and objectives: Contact Being First at +1.970.385.5100.

Or click here to schedule a meeting with a Strategic Executive Advisor.