

4 Children 8 Objects Part 7 Business Card Holder/ Business Cards/ Four Elements

This is an analogy that integrates the symbolism of a business card holder and its contents with spiritual truths. Let's expand on this idea and bring it full circle, connecting the dots between **receiving**, **holding**, and **sharing**.

Here's how the concept could unfold further:

Object #3: Business Card Holder and Its Spiritual Analogy

1. Receiving Information (Accepting the Cards)

Before a business card holder can serve its purpose, it must receive the cards. Spiritually, this represents our willingness to accept the truth and guidance from the "One in charge"—God.

- **John 1:12 (NKJV)**
"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name."
 - God offers us His identity, calling, and purpose, but we must choose to receive it. Without receiving, the holder is empty—lacking purpose and content.
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2. Holding Information (Stewarding What's Given)

The business card holder serves as a custodian, preserving the cards and ensuring they are ready for use. This reflects how we are entrusted with God's truths, the gifts of the Spirit, and our calling to represent Him on earth.

- **2 Timothy 1:14 (NKJV)**
"That good thing which was committed to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us."
- Just as the holder keeps the cards intact, our bodies (as temples of the Holy Spirit) hold the spiritual treasure entrusted to us. We are stewards of both our physical and spiritual well-being.

3. Sharing Information (Fulfilling the Mission)

The purpose of business cards is not just to store them but to share them, creating connections and extending influence. Spiritually, this mirrors our responsibility to share the gospel and reflect God's character.

- **Matthew 5:16 (NKJV)**
"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."
 - As Jesus was sent to represent the Father, we are sent to represent Christ. Our "business" is to share the message of salvation, reconciliation, and hope.
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Completing the Process:

1. **Receive:** We accept God's calling and identity.
 2. **Hold:** We nurture and steward the truth within us.
 3. **Share:** We carry out the mission, connecting others to God.
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Reflections on the Analogy:

- The **case** (body) protects and preserves the **cards** (spirit and soul), reminding us of the value of full stewardship—caring for our physical health, spiritual growth, and mental well-being.
- A **business card** gives a quick yet powerful representation of identity. Similarly, our lives should serve as "living epistles" (2 Corinthians 3:3), providing a snapshot of Christ to the world.
- The question is: Are we **receiving** the cards (God's message and identity), **holding** them securely, and actively **sharing** them with the world?

Would you like me to explore the "**sharing**" aspect or refine any part of this analogy further?

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