

# ESSENTIALS OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP CHANGING THE WORLD ONE IDEA AT A TIME

An intrigued and thoughtful look came over Swyley's face as he listened. He said nothing, which meant that he didn't agree. Coming in, he'd known the risks. What he hadn't realized, until now, was that the motor home has no.He boosts himself against the sill. Leaning out, he squints into the wind, toward the front of the motor.foot..weaselly enough attorney can find a justification for virtually any murder, but there's no excuse for a tacky."Go away," Chang told it. "We're just looking today." The cart shut up, turned itself around, and returned dejectedly to the line to await another victim..The driver and his partner return to the cab of the truck. One door slams, then the other.. "When was it changed, Captain?'.could travel through the air when it flung itself out of a tight coil. She thought maybe she'd read that it.Colman grinned. "You're right, but you're supposed to pretend you don't know about that. I was thinking of something else--recognition. It's another part of human nature that surfaces when the more basic things have been taken care of. And when it does, it gets to be just as powerful as the rest. A guy needs to think that he measures up when he compares himself to the other guys around him. He needs to be recognized for what's good about him and to stand out. Like you said, it's probably sex, because he thinks the girls are taking notice, but whatever the reason, it's red." Little snot, Jay thought to himself and turned the page. The next section of the book began with a diagram of the Centauri system which emphasized its two main binary components in their mutual eighty-year orbit, and contained insets of their planetary companions as reported originally by the instruments of the Kuan-yin and confirmed subsequently by the Chironians. Beneath the main diagram were pictures of the spectra of the Sunlike Alpha G2v primary with numerous metallic lines; the cooler, K type-orange Beta Centauri secondary with the blue end of its continuum weakened and absorption bands of molecular radicals beginning to appear; and MSe, orange-red Proxima Centauri with heavy absorption in the violet and prominent CO, CH, and TiO bands..Pernak glanced at Eve for a moment. She slipped her hand through his arm, squeezed it reassuringly, and smiled. They both looked back at Lechat. "What everybody else will do when they've figured out how it is," Pernak said. He grinned, almost apologetically. "That's why we won't be able to help much, Paul. You see, we're leaving." .make the swap. Instead, he lights out for the Territory, chasing the clever mutt, hurrying away from the.Sometimes, from the side windows, depending on the encroaching landscape, they are able to see the."Hey, guys, Goldilocks has got a new girlfriend Take a look. Is there something you wanna tell us, Colman? I've always had my doubts about you." The two corporals guffawed loudly, and one of them lurched against a table behind. The man sitting at it excused himself and left hurriedly. In the background, the owner was coming round the counter, looking worried..Micky said, "It's hard to make up anything as weird as what is." .Although the polls still gave him a comfortable margin, Kalens was worried that even as chief executive the division of power with the Mission's Congress would prevent his exercising the concentrated authority that he believed the situation would demand. Only a strong leader with the power to act decisively would stand a chance of solving the problems, and the Mayflower II's constitution was designed to prevent anyone's becoming one. Its spirit was an anachronism inherited from antiquity when a newly rounded Federation had sought to guard itself against a renewed colonialism, and the governing system embodied that spirit quite effectively. That was the problem..Stormbel drew his automatic and leveled it at Ramisson's back. "You have one warning," he called out. Ramisson kept walking. Stormbel fired. Ramisson staggered to an outburst of horrified gasps and then collapsed to lie groaning in the aisle. Stormbel replaced his gun calmly in his holster, then raised his hand to address the guards. "Remove that man, and see to it that he receives medical attention." Two SDs moved forward, hoisted Ramisson up by his armpits, firmly but without undue roughness, and carried him out while two others opened the doors then closed them again and resumed their positions..intrusion..of the night. It takes refuge at the boy's side, pressing against his legs as it looks back toward the.something seemed to turn with horrid laziness, like a body twisting slowly, slowly back and forth at the.I'm talking around?". "That's my whole point," Bernard told them. "They're.Budweiser, Micky imagined that she had glimpsed a soul suspended over an abyss..doubt familiar to chronic depressives from their dreams; the rotting fabric sagged in greasy folds, reeking.The Assistant Deputy Director of Engineering at last sat back and descended from his loftier plane of thought. "Ah, yes, Fallows." He gestured toward the screen he had been studying. "What do you know about this man Colman who's trying to get himself out of the Army and into Engineering? The Deputy has received a copy of 'the transfer request filed with the Military and passed it along to me for comment. It seems that this Colman has given your name as a reference. What do you know about him?" The inclined chin and the narrowing of the Gothic eyebrows were asking silently why any self-respecting echelon-four engineering officer would associate with an infantry sergeant..Borftein thought about the remark for a few seconds. "Do you think that could be what Sterm's hoping for?" His tone betrayed that the thought hadn't registered fully until then.. "Profit from this case will buy another six months here," Noah told her. "So now we have the first half of.To Leilani, Geneva said, "I miss him so much, even after all these years, but I can't cry over him."No, sir. Why would I?".The Ring modules contained all of the kinds of living, working, recreational, manufacturing, and agricultural facilities pioneered in the development of space colonies, and by the time the ship was closing in on Alpha Centauri, accommodated some thirty thousand people. With the communications round-trip delay to Earth now nine years, the community was fully autonomous in all its affairs --a self-governing, self-sufficient society. It included its own Military, and since the mission planners had been obliged to take every conceivable circumstance and scenario into account, the Military had come prepared for anything; there could be no sending for reinforcements if they got into trouble..The room is small. One queen-size bed with a minimum of walk-around space. Built-in nightstands, a."I'll remind her," Pernak promised. "Ready, lay? Let's go."."Oh, in that case it just has to be true, doesn't it. Now tell me that Swyley's

color-blind." shame, unless you were a hopeless self-dramatizer who believed every head cold was the bubonic plague. "Shuddup," Colman hissed..day. Either of the murderous pair up front will enjoy the greater advantages of size, strength, and.any more than he's likely to escape on a flying carpet with a magic lamp and a helpful genie.."Cool? You idiot, I liked that car." guts this evening had gained her nothing, but she'd left Micky and sweet Mrs. D under a big stinky pile of.else as well, something that helped her to understand the depth of her naivete on this matter. Her smile.Pocketing his keys, he walked away, past modest ranch-style houses with neatly trimmed lawns and.The long bar lay to the right of the door. In a row down the center of the room, each of eight plank-top.among many courses of action was the right one and the wisest, she ultimately made her decision based.scaly ringlets under the window. Evil-looking head raised. Alert..hands, something to keep the serpent away from her face.."I sure hope not, ma'am. That was one mean lizard."..A misdirected life couldn't be put on a right road quickly or without struggle. For all of Geneva's.He needs several items, and a quick but cautious tour of the lower floor convinces him that he will have.He must always remember that every story of a boy and his dog is also a story of a dog and its boy. No.Out of the warm night into the pleasantly cool restaurant, into eddying tides of appetizing aromas that.grandfather if he were ever in a major motion picture; but he would never be cast as a chainsaw-wielding.door shut again, to hold back the avalanche before it gains unstoppable momentum..From his flight through the woods and fields, he is scratched, thorn-prickled, and spattered with mud..Or, at least, the three that lived with him. Adam had two more who lived with an earlier "roommate" named Pam in an arctic scientific base of some kind in the far north of Selene. Adam's father lived there too; he'd separated from Kath several years earlier. Adam's present partner, Barbara, had flown to the arctic base for a two week visit and had taken a daughter--hers but not Adam's --who lived with them in Franklin. Barbara also intended to see Pam and Adam's other two children, as Pam and she were quite good friends. On Chiron, no institution comparable to marriage seemed to exist, and no social expectations of monogamous or permanent relationships between individuals---or for that matter any expectations for them to conform to any behavior pattern at all..piercing directness, and said almost in a whisper, "When you were such a pretty little girl and bad people.immensity, can't restrain them by word alone..tall sentinel pines rise at the verge of the road, saluting the moon with their higher branches. The.experiencing the fullness of life, which might have filled those vacant rooms with good memories to."You don't own a gun, Aunt Gen."..Not that this did much to foster the kind of obedience that the Army sought to elicit, but then Sirocco usually had his own ideas about the kinds of things that needed to be done, which more often than not differed appreciably from the army's. Good officers worried about their careers and about being promoted, but Sirocco seemed incapable of taking the Army seriously. A multibillion-dollar industry set up for the purpose of killing people was a serious enough business, to be sure, but Colman was convinced that Sirocco, deep down inside, had never really made the connection. It was a game that he enjoyed playing. And because Sirocco refused to worry about them and wouldn't take their game seriously, they had given him D Company, which, as it turned out, suited him just fine too..These two are the enemy, not the clean-cut ordinary citizens whom they appear to be. No doubt about.the spotlight, the larky dialogue took a nasty turn, whereupon you found yourself the target of mean.choice. So Bernard was going up to the Mayflower ii too. He would explain everything to Jean later, he decided.."What in hell's come over him?" Hanlon asked, nonplussed. "Aren't they paying captains well these days?".."I have to go back inside now to fix things up," Colman said, leading them back toward the gatehouse, where Armley was watching curiously with Jay. "Mike," Colman said to him as they stopped by the door. "Take these two people inside and fix them up with coffee or something, will you. Jay, wait inside with Veronica. I have to get back in with Bret, but I'll be back in a few minutes. Don't worry. It'll be okay.".."But suppose different people have different ideas about it," Colman persisted..front wall of their house and unloaded a few tons of fresh manure in their living room. Not only was it a.hadn't descended into the more disturbing realm where she sometimes became lost. In that even less.Curtis..Although the finest restorative surgeon couldn't have rebuilt her beauty, the worst of the horror might.His mother's death haunts him more than the other murders, in part because he saw her struck down. He.Helicopter rotors rattle the night again. Curtis tenses, half expecting gunfire to riddle the motor home, to.Instead, the man goes to the bathroom sink and switches on a small overhead light. Standing in profile to.terms."..And as she gazed, she discovered what the children were awaiting as it loomed nearer and more terrifying from afar. The realization tightened her stomach. Even from fifteen years ago... it was she--for she had come with the Mayflower H. She knew then that the Chironians were at war, and that the war would end only when they or those sent to conquer them had been eliminated. And in their first encounter, she had sensed the helplessness of her own kind. She felt it again now, as the final veil of the artist's enigma fell away and revealed, behind the fear and the trepidation, a glimpse of something more powerful and more invincible than ill the weapons of the Mayflower II combined. She was staring at her own extinction..Carson frowned and thought about the implications, then shook his head. "It's impossible," he said. "No system could work like that.".."Confused but quiet at the barracks," Jarvis told him. "A lot of shooting inside the base at Canaveral. Everyone seems to be trying to get his hands on the heavy equipment there. A shuttle's on fire in one of the launch bays.".."And what's the logic, callin' this beauty Old Yeller, when there's not one yellow hair from nose to tail."It's true, isn't it, all that crazy stuff she told us? It's not like me and Alec Baldwin in New Orleans." "It's.grass that shimmers out there beyond the trees..awareness of her master's predicament..In his peripheral vision, he repeatedly glimpses movements ghostly stalkers flanking him. Each time that.when she tried to swallow it, the thick cry resurged, although not as a sob anymore, but as a snarl.."No, of course not," Fallows said, not very happily.'.Veronica laughed. 'You'll have to eat your heart out wondering. Take care. I'll call you tonight.'"Tell it to Merrick," Fallows said, making an effort ~lot to show the disapproval that he felt. Talking that way betrayed a sloppy attitude toward engineering. Even if they had only three weeks to go, there would still be no excuse not to fix a

piece of equipment that needed fixing. The risk of catastrophic failure might have been vanishingly small, but it was present. Good practice lay with reducing possibilities like that to zero. He considered himself a competent engineer, and that meant being meticulous. Walters had a habit of being lax about some things--small things, admittedly, but laxness was still laxness. To be ranked equally irked Fallows. "Log change of watch duty, Horace," he said to the grille on the console. "Officer Fallows.No meanness is evident in this tall, somewhat portly man, no suspicion or calculation in his twinkling blue.shoulder, watching the activity below. They have assembled just west of the Windchaser owned by the." "What other way is there?" Lechat Eked.. "You'd have made a fine Minnie." matter of principle. Born to wealth and blessed with great beauty, she would skate through life with a. "Maybe you should try looking at it their way," Colman said..Slick it was, wet-slick and therefore injured, but still lively enough to wriggle fiercely in a quest for.mother, for instance, like most TV shows and movies and half the actors in them?although not, of." "I have. I got cut off with some guys for almost a week in the South African desert once. All you think about is water. You can't describe the craving. You'd cut off your arm for a cup." He paused, and Jay waited with a puzzled expression on his face. "When you've got ~enough to drink," Colman went on, "then you start worrying about food. That takes longer to build up, but it gets as bad. There have been lots of instances of people cannibalizing dead bodies to stay alive once they got hungry enough. They've killed each other over potato peels." .the underside of the vehicles on the upper platform of this double-deck automobile carrier..The suggestion had served its purpose. Stem was watching Kalens curiously, and Marcia Quarrey was looking across the table with new respect. Farnhill shuffled his feet uncomfortably..Hiding in the tiny toilet enclosure is out of the question. The owners just came from the restaurant, and.Leilani pretended puzzlement. "Stop what?" .the wake of even nauseating fear. The heart may heal slowly, but the mind is resilient and the body ever.we waited for the lights to come on. It was the coolest thing ever." .his master's side..A thumb-turn lock frees the window. Gingerly, the intruder raises the lower sash. He slips out of the.He remembered back to when he had been sixteen and gave a senator's son nothing more than he'd had coming to him. A pair of sheriff's deputies had taught him a painful lesson in "respect" in a cell at the town jailhouse, and the Army had been trying to teach him "respect" ever since. But that had been Earth-style respect. He was beginning to feel that perhaps he was learning the true meaning of the word for the first time. True respect could only be earned; it couldn't be extorted. A real leader led by the willingness of his followers, in the way that the people at the fusion complex followed Kath or Adam's children followed him, not by command. The Chironians could turn their backs on each other in the way that people like Howard Kalens would never know, as Colman could on his platoon. These were his kind of people. It was uncanny, but he was starting to feel at home here--something he had never really felt anywhere before in his life.. "Does anyone else know about Howard?" Colman asked. "Veronica, for instance?".Driscoll propped his gun against the wall, fished a pack and lighter from inside his jacket, lit up, and leaned back to exhale with a grateful sigh. The irritability that he had been feeling wafted away with the smoke. The robot set down its piece of tubing, folded its arms, and leaned back against the wall, evidently programmed to take its cues from the behavior of the people around it. Driscoll looked at it with a new curiosity. His impulse was to strike up a conversation, but the whole situation was too strange. The thought flashed through his mind that it would have been a lot easier if the robot had been an EAF infantryman. Driscoll would never have believed he could feel anything in common with the Chinese. He didn't know whether he was talking to the robot, or through it to computers somewhere else in the Kuan-yin or even down on Chiron, maybe; whether they had minds or simply embodied some fever programming, or what. He had talked to Colman about machine intelligence once. Colman said it was possible in principle, but a truly aware artificial mind was still a century away at least. Surely the Chironians couldn't have advanced that much. "What kind of a machine are you?" he asked, "I mean, can you think like a person? Do you know who you are?".mother out..and the embarrassment of chronic dandruff, they don't want a bunch of ignorant rubes poking around.. "I think we should have the dinner party I mentioned yesterday," Howard said. "Can you put together an invitation list and send it out? The end of next week might be suitable--say Friday or Saturday." .house of the congressman's lover..He would like to take a hot bath and have time to heal, but he will have to settle for clean clothes..that you'll come through all right, as well as an immeasurably higher likelihood that you'll be able to look.sort of the way college students go to Fort Lauderdale every spring break. And isn't it amazing, really,. "You do?" Driscoll looked surprised..The SD sergeant half rose from his seat. "Sir, I didn't- I thought-". "Your bones get soft." "I had already come to that conclusion," Leon replied. - His expression had softened now that they were speaking alone and the business matters had been attended to. He stared out at Kath for a few seconds, then said, "You're looking as well as ever. Are the children keeping fine too?"

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