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## Keynote Proposal · Faith Edition

# “**Peace Not Pressure:** Unlocking Leadership That Flows From Rest”

## Abstract

What if the pressure you treat as fuel is the very thing wearing you out? On a 28th anniversary trip to Lisbon, Chris woke from emergency surgery in a windowless recovery ward, forced to stop completely for the first time in years. What God showed him in that stillness reshaped how he leads. Weaving Scripture, neuroscience, and the NEXUS Profile with hard-won stories, this keynote shows leaders why burnout is usually a mismatch, not a work-ethic problem, and how to do their best work from peace instead of pressure.

> “The God Designed CODE was a game-changer—it helped me understand myself and my team, gave clear action steps for growth, and put us years ahead of the learning curve.”
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> — Scott Flora, Founder & CEO, EMI

> “Chris is one of the most professional and passionate leaders I know. The strategy he delivered transformed Kilns College and enabled us to reach students worldwide.”
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> — Jerry Shultz, Extended Learning Dean, Central Oregon College

> “When you need a speaker who can address the whole of a business—culture, technology, marketing, operations—put Chris Behnke on your short list. I recommend him highly to anyone ready to expand reach and bottom-line revenue.”
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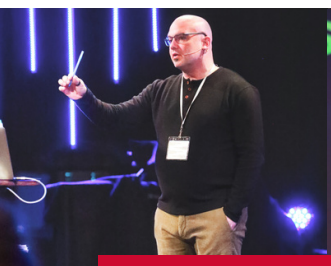
> — Robert Ricciardelli, Founder, Converging Zone Network

## Learning Objectives

- Find the Gap between God-given design and daily reality with the 80/20 Audit.
- Apply the Three Pillars: Know Your Design, Flip the 80/20, Rewire the Defaults.
- Walk the walls: get above the noise to hear God clearly and lead from clarity.

## Audience Fit

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