Efficiency vs. Fruitfulness

Efficiency makes sure *that* things are done; fruitfulness is concerned with *how* people do them.

Efficiency looks for effects; fruitfulness looks at values.

Efficiency measures; fruitfulness ponders.

Efficiency judges
externally;
fruitfulness is more
profound.
Efficiency tends to be
frenetic;
fruitfulness is
calm.
Efficiency is
pushy;
fruitfulness does not
coerce.

Efficiency is cold and calculating; fruitfulness is warm and assuring.
Efficiency is impatient; fruitfulness is long-suffering.

Efficiency seeks only success; fruitfulness flourishes in failure.
Efficiency could isolate; fruitfulness builds community.

A machine may be efficient; only a human can be fruitful.

For the efficient people get in the way; for the fruitful the personal is the only way.

For the efficient money matters and time is at a premium. For the fruitful riches can't be counted and eternity is the prize.

The efficient reach the top, and are lonely; the fruitful may be on the bottom, but are fulfilled.

The efficient prove themselves before people; only God counts for the fruitful.

In the life of business-I concede-they want you to be
efficient.
In the business of life,
however,
be fruitful!

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