



WISDOM from PROVERBS

Strategic Rest & A Godly Work Ethic

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1. Work _____

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7. Work _____

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Of the seven aspects of work discussed in the sermon, which one (besides #2) do you believe has been most abandoned and neglected by our modern society? Give some examples.
2. If you had to pick one of the seven, which one brings the most conviction to your heart and why?
3. Read **Colossians 3:22-24**. How many of the seven aspects of work can be identified in this passage, and what does this passage add to our study regarding a Christian work ethic?
4. What would you say to a Christian who thinks because he is not a missionary or a pastor his work is unimportant to God? What practical counsel would you give him to help him retool his thinking regarding his daily work?
5. What are some of the time-wasters in your life and what will you do to mitigate them so that you can excel in your work for God's glory?
6. What is some of the specific work you need to do in your home and with your family?
7. When is your next "break" and what will you do during that break to become a better worker to the glory of God?

The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (Reading Plans: Through the Bible) for schedule prompts.

November 7th

Jer.46-48 & Heb.4

November 8th

Jer.49-50 & Heb.5

November 9th

Jer.51-52 & Heb.6

November 10th

Lam.1-2 & Heb.7

November 11th

Lam.3-5 & Heb.8

November 12th

Ezk.1-3 & Heb.9

November 13th

Ezk.4-6 & Heb.10:1-23

November 14th

Ezk.7-9 & Heb.10:24-39

For sermons on MP3 go to FPR.info. The following are other available sermons related to today's subject matter.

CD # 0709 – **Living Life with the Hope of a New Purpose**

CD # 0131 – **Realize Who You're Working For**

CD # 0132 – **The Paychecks That Matter Most**

CD # 0133 – **When God Makes You Boss**

CD # 0134 – **But is This Really the Right Job for Me?**

CD # 0602 – **Seeing My Salvation as the Fulfillment of the Sabbath**

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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Morley, Patrick. **A Man's Guide to Work: Twelve Ways to Honor God on the Job**. Moody Press, 2010.

Nash, Ronald. **Poverty and Wealth: The Christian Debate Over Capitalism**. Crossway, 1986.

Ryken, Leland. "Work" in **Worldly Saints: The Puritans as They Really Were**. Zondervan, 1986.

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White, Jerry and Mary White. **Your Job: Survival or Satisfaction?** Zondervan, 1977.

Zigarelli, Michael. **Faith at Work: Overcoming the Obstacles of Being Like Christ in the Workplace**. Moody Press, 2000.

_____. **Management by Proverbs: Applying Timeless Wisdom in the Workplace**. Moody Press, 1999.