



Week 4
Work

The world says, "You are what you do. Work is your identity!"

God says, "Do what you are. Work is a stewardship!"

1. Important Definitions

- a. _____ - What I do to earn a living.
- b. _____ - What I build to create a life.
- c. " _____ " - What God calls me to do to fulfill His highest purposes in and through me for His glory and my joy.

2. How does God view work?

- a. God is a _____.
- b. God created people to be His _____.

 - Work can be seen as a marvelous _____ of _____.

- c. The _____, not work, was cursed after the fall.

 - God created _____ work for you, his _____ creation.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

- All work is _____.

Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

3. How do I find my calling?

Ephesians 4:1, NASB

Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called,

- a. God calls us to a _____.

I Corinthians 1:9

God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful.

Matthew 11:28

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

- b. God calls us to a _____.

Ephesians 4:11-13

It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, ¹²to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

- c. God calls us to _____.

God's number one agenda is a call, first to himself, then to be conformed to the image of his Son in every way.

Matthew 16:18

And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

Matthew 4:19

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."

- d. God calls us into a _____.

Matthew 6:33, KJV

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

- e. God's call will match your _____.
- f. God's call can be revealed through _____.
- g. God's call will not usually be in your _____.

Hebrews 11:6

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.