## **Doing Your Job for the Lord**

Ephesians 6:5-9 Rev. Brian Bill May 18-19, 2024

Main Point: See your work as a way to worship and witness for the Lord.

1.	God is a			
	Genesis 1:1 states that God	the hea	ivens and the earth.	
	<ul> <li>Genesis 2:2 calls this activit</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>In John 5:17, Jesus declared</li> </ul>		now.	
2.	We are Hisworkers.			
	<ul> <li>Genesis 1:26 says that man</li> </ul>	is to "have	over" the creation.	
			" it and keep it."	
	This work was given to Ada	m creation	was cursed because of his sin.	
hree	Reasons Why Our Servanthood Mu	st be Seen Where We Work.		
1.	It's where we're going to spend	of our life.		
2.	It's where your faith is most clearly	··		
3.	It's where servanthood is most	·		
хрес	tations for an Employee			
1.	Work (vs. 5)			
	<ul> <li>The idea behind obeying is</li> </ul>	to "yield by placing yourself in a	a position.	
	<ul><li>It refers to</li></ul>	service (Psalm 123:2).		
	Work (vs. 5).			
	<ul> <li>When these two words are used together, they refer to God.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>The idea behind this phrase is to show, honor, and respect to your employer</li> </ul>			
	because you fear God (1 Timothy 6:1-2).			
3.	Work (vs. 5)			
	This is also translated as "	of heart."		
			ttitudes and actions come from.	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	·	dled attention, and absolute integrity	
		_	much because they deserve it, but	
_	because (			
4.	Work (vs. 7			
_	Our real boss is	(Colossians 3:23-24).		
5.	Work (vs. 8).			
	<ul> <li>We will be compensated in</li> <li>The Lord remembers and He</li> </ul>			
	The Lord remembers and H	e		
	tations for an Employer.			
1.	Seek the o			
	<ul> <li> that applies to employees also applies to employers as they are to work</li> </ul>			
	obediently, respectfully, sin	cerely, reverently, and expectar	ntlv.	

	forgive him and to treat him as a beloved brother.			
	<ul> <li>This was countercultural because runaway slaves who stole from their masters were often</li> </ul>			
	tortured or			
2.	Use reinforcements (vs. 9)			
	<ul> <li>Verse 9 exhorts employers to "stop your"</li> </ul>			
	Employers must look for ways to employees by celebrating what they're			
	doing right.			
3.	Be to the Lord (vs. 9).			
	<ul> <li>Jesus said the way to be a ruler is to first be a (Matthew 25:21).</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Warren Wiersbe points out that Joseph, Moses, Joshua, David, and Nehemiah, were first</li> </ul>			
	servants before God made them leaders.			
4.	God doesn't play (vs. 9)			
	<ul> <li>An employer is no better than an employee before God.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Everyone is before Him (Romans 2:11, James 2:1).</li> </ul>			
	n Steps			
	your workplace or campus as your field.			
2.	See your work as a, not a career.			
	Worship, not your work.			
	<ul> <li>Don't make your job an idol and don't look to find your identity there.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Significance, security, and can only come from the Lord.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>A calling involves recognizing that we are co-workers with God in accomplishing His purposes by</li> </ul>			
	being content, by working in to meet our needs, and in order to give so that God can meet the			
	needs of others through us.			
3.	nard at you do (Proverbs 14:23, 21:25, 31:17).			
4.				
	<ul> <li>Just before He died, Jesus cried out "It is" (John 19:30).</li> </ul>			
	<ul><li>"It is finished" literally means " in full.</li></ul>			

• Paul sent Onesimus back to his master with this letter and called on Philemon in verse 16 to