

## Annual working hours per person / year

Mexico: 2,207

USA: 1,765

Germany: 1,343

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.

Genesis 2:15 (ESV)

<sup>24</sup> There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, <sup>25</sup> for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment?

Ecclesiastes 2:24–25 (ESV)

<sup>6</sup>Try to please (your master) all the time, not just when they are watching you. As slaves of Christ, do the will of God with all your heart. <sup>7</sup> Work with enthusiasm, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.

Ephesians 6:6-7NLT)

## Why work?

- so we can eat (2 Thessalonians 3:10–12)
- so we don't depend on others (1 Thess. 4:11-12)
- so we can help others (Ephesians 4:28)

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Colossians 3:17 (ESV)

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, <sup>24</sup> knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.

Colossians 3:23–24 (ESV)





