



Part 2 - My Work Can Make a Difference
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Then God looked over all he had made, and he saw that it was very good! – Genesis 1:31

The Lord God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to tend and watch over it. – Genesis 2:15

And to the man He said... “the ground is cursed because of you. All your life you will struggle to scratch a living from it.”
– Genesis 3:17

5 PRINCIPLES TO BE A DIFFERENCE MAKER AT WORK

1) Have the right PERSPECTIVE.

- **Work is NECESSARY.**

Work brings profit, but mere talk leads to poverty!
– Proverbs 14:23

- **Work isn't EVERYTHING.**

I even found great pleasure in hard work, a reward for all my labors.¹¹ But as I looked at everything I had worked so hard to accomplish, it was all so meaningless—like chasing the wind.
– Ecclesiastes 2:10-11

- **INTEGRITY matters.**

2) Work HARD.

Lazy people want much but get little, but those who work hard will prosper. – Proverbs 13:4

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Even while we were with you, we gave you this command: “Those unwilling to work will not get to eat.” – 2 Thessalonians 3:10

3) Avoid GOSSIP.

A troublemaker plants seeds of strife; gossip separates the best of friends. – Proverbs 16:28

If you claim to be religious but don't control your tongue, you are fooling yourself, and your religion is worthless. – James 1:26

4) Take a BREAK.

Then he said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.” – Mark 2:27

5) Get a new BOSS.

Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people. – Colossians 3:23

Then Jesus explained: “My nourishment comes from doing the will of God, who sent me, and from finishing his work.” – John 4:34

May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us—yes, establish the work of our hands.
– Psalm 90:17