

# sermon discussion

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## MAIN POINTS & KEY SCRIPTURES

Exodus 23:10-19

Exodus 23:10-11

Exodus 23:12

**God cares about what you care about at work.**

Exodus 23:14-15

Exodus 23:16-17

**Your work and worship are connected.**

1 Corinthians 10:31

Exodus 23:13

Exodus 23:18-19

**When Jesus is the center of your work, it becomes a sacred calling.**

Matthew 5:13-16

## GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Do you feel like your work and your faith are separate areas of your life? Why?
2. **Read Exodus 23:10-11.** Why do you think God set this law for leaving the land fallow in the seventh year? What effect did this have on the land and on the poor?
3. Since the farmers and their families would have no crops during the seventh year, what should they do in the previous years to prepare for that?
4. **Read Exodus 23:12.** What is the reason given here for the Sabbath rest on the seventh day? If the people and animals worked the entire week every week, what effect might this have on society and on those people?
5. All of us need to establish a rhythm of work and rest in our lives. What are some things that are restful for you or that replenish you?
6. How much does work dominate your life? Do you feel like you have adequate periods weekly and monthly to rest and be replenished?
7. **Read 1 Corinthians 10:31.** Have you ever considered that the way you work can honor God? What could you do this week to incorporate God more into your work?

## GOING FURTHER

**MEMORIZE:** *So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.*

**1 Corinthians 10:31 ESV**

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