



Talking through the weekly message helps you turn information into application. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you make the next move.

City Group Icebreaker: *Questions to Get You Talking*

- On a scale of 1–10, how happy are you with your job (stay-at-home parent is a job!)?

Key Scriptures: ¹⁰ And the crowds were questioning him, saying, “Then what shall we do?” ¹¹ And he would answer and say to them, “The man who has two tunics is to share with him who has none; and he who has food is to do likewise.” ¹² And *some* tax collectors also came to be baptized, and they said to him, “Teacher, what shall we do?” ¹³ And he said to them, “Collect no more than what you have been ordered to.” ¹⁴ *Some* soldiers were questioning him, saying, “And *what about* us, what shall we do?” And he said to them, “Do not take money from anyone by force, or accuse *anyone* falsely, and be content with your wages.” **Luke 3:10–14**

MTG Scriptures: Read **Luke 3** in its entirety.

Big Idea of the Message: Everyone has a calling, but that calling might not be their job, but when you are at your job, you are called by God to live out your faith.

The Essential Questions: By narrowing the focus on your work to questions such as these, you’ll be able to appropriate a healthy spiritual vision for how your faith and work intersect.

- What is one thing that stood out to you from this week’s message?
- Does the idea of changing jobs because you’re looking for a calling resonate with you? Or does it sound like someone you know? Please explain.
- How important do you think it is to God that we work? What Scripture can you think of to support your answer?
- Did anything in John the Baptist’s interaction with the soldiers and tax collectors surprise you?
- What’s one thing you will do this week as a result of something you learned from this message?

Move Up. Connect to Christ

- Your work “JTB says, “should be an extension of your faith and worship. As an image-bearer of God, how does your work reflect some aspect of God’s work and your love for God?”

Start Praying. *Lord, deepen my love of You. Help me to love you more than all things.*

Move Out. Connect to Culture.

- Jesus commands us to ‘love our neighbors as ourselves.’ How does your work function as an opportunity to love and serve others?”

Start Praying. *Lord Jesus, I want to join You in better loving my neighbors. Teach me, to see others as you would see them. I ask also for your forgiveness. I have failed to show grace to our neighbor. Help me to refine these gifts you have given us, love others as self.*

Move In. Connect Culture to Christ.

- How does your work give you a unique vantage point into the brokenness of the world?

Start Praying. *Lord Jesus, I want to join You in your mission. Send me, as an ambassador to share Your good news with _____. Help me use truth as a light to guide me, and grace as a hand to hold the weary. Help me to be your disciple.*

Application Point: Our work should be an extension of our faith and worship.