God's Work, and Ours

Genesis 1-3

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Introduction: Thinking about Work on the Weekend

Work is a God thing (Gen. 1)

Work is a Good thing (Gen. 1-2)

Work is a Ground thing (Gen. 3:16-19)

Work is a Gospel thing (Gen. 3:15)

Conclusion: Working out the Implications

Work is good – so go do it

Work is toil - because of sin

Work is God's common grace - everyone works

Forgiveness is God's saving grace - and no one's work can earn it

Our work determines what we do -

but God's work determines who we are

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

You 1 Your Family 1 Your Friends 1 Your Community Group

1. What type(s) of work do you do now? What jobs have you held in the past?

2. Read Genesis 1-3 together, in one sweep. Scripture is like a jewel with many facets, so pay particular attention to the facet of work. Was there anything from the sermon that made you notice something in these first 3 chapters, that you hadn't noticed before?

3. If you are a Christian, how does being a Christian affect how you work? Here are some questions to consider:

How did you work before you became a Christian? How have you worked since becoming a Christian? How did Jesus make a difference?

What is your attitude toward work? Are you full of joy? Struggling to keep a good attitude? Bitter because you hate your work?

How much do you enjoy your work?

What do fellow Christians at work think of you as a colleague? What about the non-Christians?

How easy or difficult is it to be a Christian at your work?

How connected do you feel between what you learn at church on Sunday compared to what you have to do for work Monday through Saturday?

4. Share the names of work colleagues who are not (yet) Christians. Resolve to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with them. Pray together for their salvation.