

Spirit-Filled People in the Marketplace
Ephesians 6:5-9

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In today's economy, it's a great thing to have a job. Having the ability to work and earn an honest wage is something to be thankful for. It is God "who gives you power to get wealth" and to provide for those you love (Deut. 8:18). But God has an even greater purpose for us than this.

He has called us to be Spirit-filled people in the marketplace (Eph. 5:18). It's one thing to sing to Jesus in the church house, but quite another to be a light for Him in the marketplace. It's when we are at work that we truly need to be "the light of the world" (Mt. 5:14).

In our text, Paul instructed the believers at Ephesus how to relate to one another in the marketplace.

Main Thought…

➔ God has called us to be Spirit-filled people in the marketplace and to let our _____ shine among those with whom we work.

Does the Bible condone slavery? _____ (Ex. 21:16; 1 Tim. 1:9-10).

1. _____ **the great value of honest work (v. 5-7).**

- _____ to your God-given authorities (v. 5).
- _____ like you are working for the Lord (v. 6-7).

Gen. 2:15; Pr. 6:6-11; Col. 3:22-23

2. _____ **all people with human dignity (v. 8-9a).**

Gen. 1:27; Gal. 3:28; Eph. 4:28; Acts 2:44-45; 2 Thess. 3:10-12

3. _____ **that we have a heavenly Master (v. 9b).**

Col. 4:1; Phil. 2:14-15; Phm. 1:15-16

Final Thoughts…

➔ Do you let your light _____ for Christ in your workplace?

➔ Are you prepared to _____ before your heavenly Master?