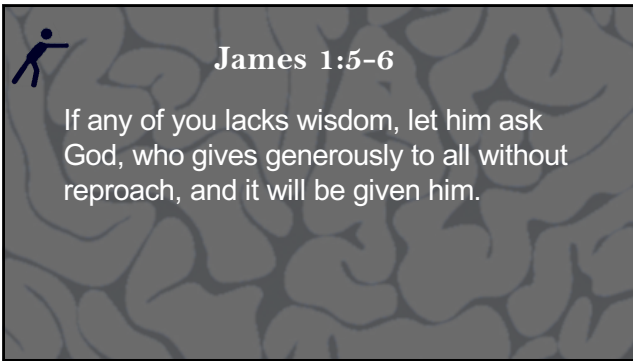
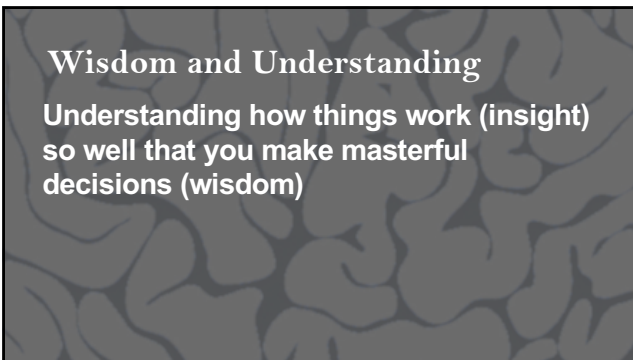


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Savor Comes Before Serving

We exist to savor the God we have seen. And that precedes all work and labor and toil and service. If wonder doesn't precede work, work will become wearisome. But God does not mean to weary his people: the joy of the Lord is your strength. Savoring comes before serving.

- John Piper

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Wisdom

- Justice** (in judgments)
- Discretion** (in temptation)
- Foresight** (in planning)
- Self-Control** (in appetites)
- Joy** (in work)

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Wisdom discovers joy
in our work

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Matthew 25

14 "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. 15 To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

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Observations

3 Talent Levels	1=low 2=medium 5=high God decides our talent level and our assignment
Entrusted	The owner trusted three servants with money and expected a profit; represents faithfulness.
Talent	Talent typically weighed about 33 kg (75 lb). silver \$18/oz is \$16,200 Gold \$1,600/oz \$1.44M
Ability	Greek word dynamis means force, miraculous power ability, abundance, power, strength
Supervision	Went away. Unsupervised actions. Feel alone

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Matthew 25

16 He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. 17 So also he who had the two talents made two talents more.

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Matthew 25

18 But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money.

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Matthew 25

19 Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them.

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Matthew 25

20 And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.'

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Matthew 25

21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'

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Observations

Long Time	You begin to wonder if they are coming back
Effort	100% or no effort.
Faithful over a little	\$1.44M is a little which means the kingdom has a huge abundance
Reward	Greater stewardship, Greater Joy "joy of your master"

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Joy in Work

1. Joy is the **reward** of work

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John 15:10-11

10 If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. **11** These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

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Matthew 25

22 And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.'

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Matthew 25

23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'

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Matthew 25

24 He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed,

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Matthew 25

25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.' 26 But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed?

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Matthew 25

27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents.

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Matthew 25

29 For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. 30 And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

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Observations

Pre-existing mindset	3 -5 talent started with a mindset to seek joy. 1 talent had a mindset to avoid loss.
Law of Attraction	Think positive, increase in the positive

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Wisdom discovers joy in our work

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Joy in Work

1. Joy is the **reward** of work
2. Think **Positive**, Attract **Positive**

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John 10:10

10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

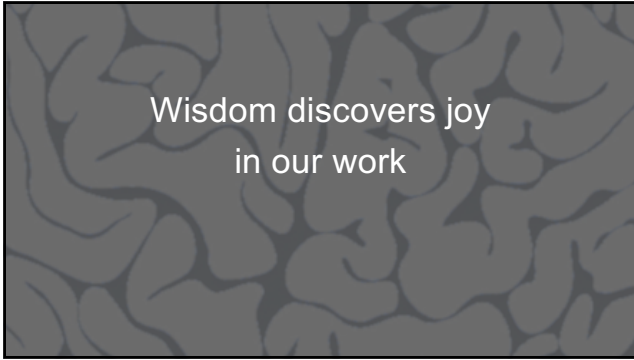
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Transform or Transmit our Pain

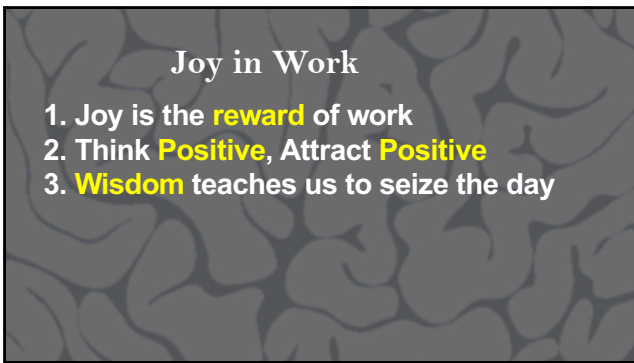
“Great spirituality is about what we do with our pain. If we do not transform our pain, we will transmit it [our pain]. to those around us.”

– Richard Rohr

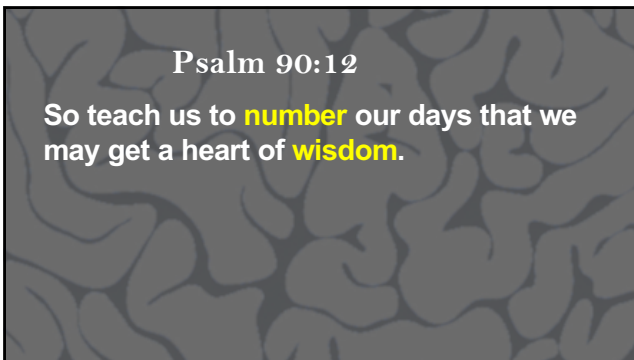
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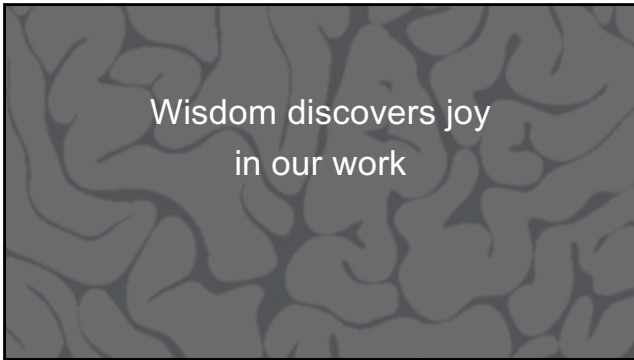
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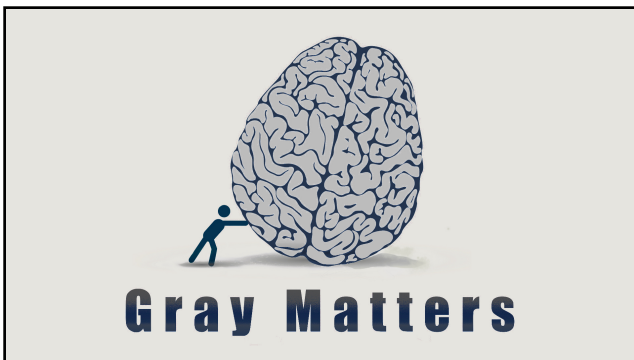
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