



Session Outline and Discussion Question

“A Man And His Work” (Part 1)

Vince D’Acchioli -- Session 35

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Three ways that we view work:

1. **Secular** -- work is work -- can’t confuse with religious ideas or notions
2. **God vs. Mammon** -- work is on a lower plane -- I must go into ministry
3. **Mainstream/Religious** -- work is a place to win souls for Christ.

All three of these views are wrong. We need to have God’s view of work. In creation God tells man to subdue the earth and bring it to its full fruition. God was a worker in creation. He worked and then rested. He wants us to do the same thing.

Five purposes of work:

1. To serve _____. (1 Pet. 4:10)
2. To serve _____ needs. (2 Thes. 3:10)
3. To serve _____ needs. (1 Tim. 5:8)
4. Allows us to _____. (Prov. 3:9-10)
5. To _____ God. (Col. 3:22-24)

Life Implication:

1 PET. 2:18-19 *Slaves, submit yourselves to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and considerate, but also to those who are harsh. For it is commendable if a man bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because he is conscious of God.*

How we view our work is critical. As a Christian nothing can lead to more frustration than to have a dysfunctional attitude about work. We need to continually remind ourselves of God’s view and the purposes of work.

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