

Small Group Questions | April 22nd, 2018

Kingdom Mission - Work ([Genesis 2:7-22](#))

Sermon Recap: Don't wave goodbye to work. **Instead, redeem the promise of work by making three changes at work: 1) viewing God's work as creator *and* craftsman, 2) seeing human work as not limitless but limited, and not secular but sacred, and 3) viewing coworkers not as a nuisance but necessary.** Recognize that God has formed us and is forming us to work alongside Him, to serve and to guard, in powerful partnership.

Hook: *These questions can help encourage conversation.*

1. What about work makes you want to wave goodbye to it?
2. When you hear the word 'craftsman' what do you think of?

Look: *Read the sermon passage. Answer the following textual questions.*

3. Read Isa 29:16, gen 2:7-9. How do these verses reveal he is creator and craftsman? What is the difference?
4. Read Gen 2:10-17 and Ecc 2:4-11. Based on these verses, it is clear God put man in the Garden of Eden to work and keep it. Why does God put limits on the time and scope of our work?
5. Read Is 28:24-26 and Gen 2:7-8,15. In what ways is the work that God calls us to sacred?
6. Read Gen 2:18-22. How does God view partnership in our everyday work?

Took: *Applying the message to our lives.*

7. What garden has God called you to? Have you stayed in that garden or pursued limitless work?
8. How might my garden (workplace, family, and community) change as a result of viewing all work as sacred to God?
9. This week, how can I serve my coworkers as we all care for our work?
10. In the book Travis referenced, Kingdom Calling, the author states our work should be comprised of ethics, evangelism, and excellence. Which one of these do you need to focus more on and how will you commit to engaging in this area of work?

Prayer/Verse: The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. – Genesis 2:15