



WORK AS WORSHIP

GENESIS 2-3

- Did you know that the first recording of someone “working” in the Bible was God Himself in Genesis 2:2-3?
- There’s a strong _____ between “work” and “worship.”

Work was intended to be an _____, not a curse.

- The fact that God gave Adam “work” was a way of showing that he was different than all the rest of His creation. It was a way of showing that mankind, and only mankind, had been made in God’s _____.

The Fall has fundamentally _____ the way we experience work.

- Work often involves sweat, toil, and sometimes, blood. However, it was the _____ that was cursed, not work itself.
- But no matter how hard our work may be, there are three benefits that result from our toil and labor.
 - We are able to provide for ourselves and our families.

2 Thessalonians 3:10, 1 Timothy 5:8

- We are able to give to others. **Ephesians 4:28**
- We are able to experience growth in our own personal development.

Our work can foreshadow God's _____ plan for creation and humanity.

- God promises that someday He is going to _____ His broken creation.

“Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwells righteousness.” **2 Peter 3:13**

“And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.” **Revelation 21:1**

- God's new earth will be marked with hope, joy, beauty, wholeness, intimacy with God, deep community, and economic flourishing.
- We get to participate in _____ what God's ultimate kingdom will be like.
- No matter what your job is, God doesn't want you to minimize your work. Instead, He wants you to view your work as an integral part of your life of _____.

“And whatsoever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.”

Colossians 3:17