

BECOMING A PEOPLE OF GRACE: AN EXPOSITION OF EPHESIANS

HONORING GOD IN OUR OCCUPATIONS

EPHESIANS 6:5-9



The Heart of the Matter

Too often we divide the realm of the sacred from that of the secular. We seem to believe that certain subjects are more worthy, more special, and more godly than others. For instance, we sometimes believe that it's the pastors or missionaries of the world who are doing the truly significant work, while our daily nine-to-five stints in the cubicle don't make a lick of difference. That is simply not true! We have each been called by God to our work—vocational ministry or not—and therefore each of us plays a significant role in God's kingdom simply by fulfilling that calling. Let's take a look at what the book of Ephesians has to say about your place in the workplace.



Discovering the Way

1. The Submission of Employees (Ephesians 6:5-8)

Paul addressed four areas that employees should focus on as we make ourselves subject to our employers: *response, motive, perspective, motivation.*

2. The Submission of Employers (Ephesians 6:9)

Likewise, the Bible calls employers to treat their employees in the same way, testifying to an underlying dignity for all people.



Starting Your Journey

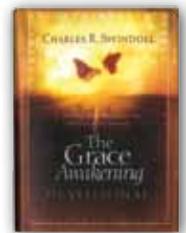
A distinction does not exist for how we should live between the sacred and the secular realm. It's all God's, so whether we are employees or employers, we must commit to live for Him.



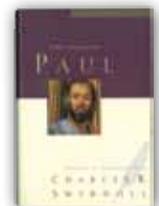
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