





COMMUNITY GUIDE

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WEEKLY APPLICATION

TAKEAWAY: Jesus worked with extreme focus, high quality, and deep humility.

HEAD CHANGE: Jesus was also the template for what real true humanness looks like

HEART CHANGE: Your job isn't to be the best in your field, just be the best version of yourself.

LIFE CHANGE: Start by saying "yes" to God's calling on your life and then you say no to everything else.

OVERVIEW

For so many of us, work is a means to an end. Maybe that end is significance, power and authority, notoriety, money, opportunity, the weekend or vacation, rest, or play and leisure. Work can so easily become the thing we do to get what we really want. Work was never intended to be a means to an end, in fact, work is a part of the "end" in and of itself. Think about this; If Jesus came today, He could have had your job. In fact, following Jesus is about one simple question; "If Jesus were me, if He lived where I live, had my job, my education, made my salary, had my family, how would He live?" Following Jesus is the process of answering that.

"Jesus replied, 'Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come.'"
-Mark 1:38-

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What are you saying "yes" to in order to fulfill your calling? What do you need to say "no" to protect this "yes"?
2. Think about the nature of God. What is He like? Is God hard-working? Patient? Joyful? How can you be an imitator of the attributes of God in your work? Does your on-the-job attitude bring glory to the God you imitate?
3. Does what you do and how you do it draw people into encounters with God?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

Heavenly Father, give me the wisdom to know what the few "God" things are in my life so that I can say 'no' to the good things. I want to honor and worship you with my work and join you in your work of establishing your kingdom through my work. I am asking for your grace to do that. Teach me to be the best version of me. In Jesus' name, amen.

IN THIS TOGETHER!