

## **Leading on My Job Study Questions**

### **Getting Started**

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.
2. What are some of the different ways that people today tend to view their jobs? Would the view predominately be negative, neutral or positive?
3. Think through Jesus words in Matthew 20:25-28. What would be some ways this type of leadership would make a difference at work?
4. Pastor emphasized that we must settle who we are working for in reference to Matthew 6:24. Would you agree or disagree that it is an important starting point for leadership at work?
5. How does taking an eternal perspective on work, as mentioned in Colossians 4:23-24, influence our attitude about work?
6. It is easy when you work for a "good boss." Sometimes we are not in that position. How should the Christian worker respond with working in an unjust situation? (1 Peter 2:18)
7. Obviously we have freedoms that these slaves did not. How does 1 Peter 2:18 apply to a situation when a person today is in an unjust situation or under an unjust boss?
8. Pastor shared five benefits from being a Christian leader at work. Was there one of these Scriptural benefits that stood out to you?
9. What does it say about an employee that does his job even when no one is watching? (Ephesians 6:5-6)
10. The four practical applications that Pastor shared all reflect Christian character qualities. What are some of the qualities reflected?

### **Digging Deeper**

11. Select one application from this message to apply at work/school this week.

## **Leading on My Job** **Series: What It Takes to Be a Leader** *Sunday May 22, 2016*

### **Why is the my Work (School) so Important?**

*"But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.""* Matthew 20:25–28 ESV

### **My Job/School is where I Make Jesus Known through My Actions!**

### **I Need to Settle Who I am Working for**

*"No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money." Matthew 6:24 ESV*

### **Who Are You Working For?**

*"Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ." Colossians 3:23–24 ESV*

## **Five Benefits of Being a Leader at Work/ School**

### **1. I Make Christianity Attractive**

*“Bondservants are to be submissive to their own masters in everything; they are to be well-pleasing, not argumentative, not pilfering, but showing all good faith, so that in everything they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior.” Titus 2:9–10 ESV*

### **2. I Win over My Critics**

*“For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people.” 1 Peter 2:15 ESV*

### **3. I am Strengthened in Difficult Situations**

*“Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust.” 1 Peter 2:18 ESV*

### **4. I am Giving My Struggles to Jesus**

*“For the wrongdoer will be paid back for the wrong he has done, and there is no partiality.” Colossians 3:25 ESV*

### **5. I am Making an Investment in Heaven**

*“knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward.” Colossians 3:24a ESV*

## **Four Practical Ways to Be a Leader at Work**

### **1. Do My Job**

*“obey your earthly masters with fear and trembling, with a sincere heart, as you would Christ,” Ephesians 6:5 ESV*

### **2. Work When No One is Watching Me**

*“not by the way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart,” Ephesians 6:6 ESV*

### **3. Be Willing to Help (even when it is not my job)**

*“Bondservants are to be submissive to their own masters in everything; they are to be well-pleasing, not argumentative,” Titus 2:9 ESV*

### **4. Don't Steal**

*“not pilfering, but showing all good faith, so that in everything they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior.” Titus 2:10 ESV*

*“Do you see a man skillful in his work? He will stand before kings; he will not stand before obscure men.” Proverbs 22:29 ESV*