

Session 10: 'How do we worship through work?'

Questions:

- 1. What caught your attention from the teaching video?
- 2. Share with others your work situation (or if you are not in paid employment, your activities during the week).
- 3. What do you think about the connection between worship and work? Why is this important? How can your worship change things at work?
- 4. In your work situation does it help to know that you are working for God more than your employer? What difference does this make and why? What are you challenged to do differently (be specific)?
- 5. Who can you witness to at work? What are you going to do tomorrow to be more effective? What about praying for people you work with?

Notes

Remember we are working not only for our employer, but primarily for God

Ephesians 6:5-8 & Colossians 3:22-24

Our whole lives are to be worship and honouring to God

Root of Hebrew word for worship and work is the same. It is "avodah", which means worship, serve and work

Joshua 24:14-15 – serving God:

- As Christ died for us, we serve Him with our whole lives
- God is the leader and we are His assistants
- As we serve Him, He uses us as His witnesses

Definition of work: activity involving mental or physical effort paid or unpaid done in order to achieve a purpose or result

Definition of worship: worth-ship, to honour worship as an activity of the highest importance

Jesus is in us and therefore the Kingdom is present where we are

Colossians 3:17

There is no separation between worship and work (our lives)

- Opportunities to witness to people church leaders may not be able to reach
- How we live before others is part of that witness
- Being the presence of Jesus in every situation

Live for the praise of God's glory

Ephesians 1:12&14

Worship shapes us into people who are different and set-apart for God & His purpose

Work & home life is a sacrifice of praise, showing the peace, presence & power of Jesus

Romans 8:11 - The same power in us as raised Jesus from the dead!

How will your worship impact on your life as you go to work tomorrow?