No More Excuses

October 21, 2023

Read Chapter 14 – *No More Clock Punching*

1. Discuss how we can identify with the opening quote.
2. Why is the cultural mindset bent on trying to get out of work? What fuels that mindset?
3. Look up and discuss verses that describe the perspective a Christan should regarding work.
4. From Genesis 1, what is God’s perspective on work?
5. Why does our work or the way we work matter to God?
6. How did sin affect work? (Genesis 3:17b-19)
7. Why does a right relationship with God provide meaning in our work? How is that accomplished?

Read James 4:13-17. Discuss the passage and this quote from Dr. Evans: “Your work can actually become a source of sin when God’s will is excluded…The degree to which you integrate God into your work is the degree to which you find meaning in what you do every day.” (pg. 221)

1. Discuss what Eccl. 2:24-25 and Colossians 3:22-24 have to say about work.
2. What is the goal of work? Why is that goal a matter of perspective (or might we say a matter of the heart?)
3. Why is a day of rest necessary?
4. What are problems with being a workaholic?
5. Discuss the following rewards of work:

Dignity –

Responsibility –

A sense of accomplishment –

What is unmotivated talent?

What is motivated talent?

Dollars and cents –

1. Discuss II Thessalonians 3:10.

Why is the church not like the welfare system?

1. In what ways does Proverbs 26:14-16 describe our culture? How do avoid the lazy mindset?
2. How do we become men of integrity and honesty in our work?

Next month – Chapter 15 – No More Business as Usual – November 18, 2023