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27 Sep 26 | Serve God at Work | Ephesians 6:5-9 | Nelson Schonfeldt

Groups & Families Discussion Questions

Follow along with the sermon and use these questions to dive a little deeper with your group, with your families at home or for your own personal reflection.

Sermon Notes: Can you identify the main point, the subpoints and application of today's message?

Life Group Questions

1. Conversation starter: What is the best or worst job you've ever had, and why?
2. Read Ephesians 6:5–9. What words, ideas or motivations does Paul repeat? What do these verses suggest is meant to be distinct about the way a Christian approaches work and authority?
3. How does recognising the difference between describing/regulating a fallen social system and endorsing it help us understand passages like Ephesians 6:5–9?
4. Paul repeatedly shifts the Christian worker's attention from their earthly master to Christ. How might believing that you ultimately work for Christ change the way you approach an ordinary Monday? (*Think: work that is unnoticed, frustrating, repetitive, or poorly rewarded.*)
5. *Think broadly about "work": paid employment, study, parenting, volunteering, ministry, caring for others, retirement, or work around the home.* What might it look like practically for the Holy Spirit to help us work wholeheartedly, with good character and hope?
6. Where do you currently have authority, influence, or responsibility for other people? How should knowing that you are also under Christ's authority shape the way you use that influence?
7. Imagine our whole church genuinely lived out Ephesians 6:5–9 in our workplaces, businesses, homes, schools and community. What might people around us begin to notice about Christians? What is one practical way we could help one another become people who "work wholeheartedly, knowing our Big Boss is in heaven"?