



CASE OF THE MONDAYS

TAKE YOUR JOB AND LOVE IT!

Part 2: Bringing Jesus on the Job

Ministry has been defined as what the pastor does, not in terms of being servants of God and God's purposes in the marketplace, the church, the home, the school or professional office.

– R. Paul Stevens
The Other Six Days

We need to find ways to experience God's shalom, God's redemptive presence, in all the dimensions of our lives, from the marketplace to the bedroom, from the board room to the classroom, from the theatre to the dining room.

– Brian J. Walsh
Subversive Christianity

Oh you hate your job? Why didn't you say so? There's a support group for that. It's called EVERYBODY, and they meet at the bar.

– Drew Carey

Even though the New Testament does not list unacceptable occupations for Christians (except prostitution and extortion) every generation has its 'list'.

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The significance – and ultimately the quality – of the work we do is determined by our understanding of the story in which we are taking part.

– Wendell Berry
Sex, Economy, Freedom & Community

The Christian vocation is to be in prayer, in the Spirit, at the place where the world is in pain, and as we embrace that vocation, we discover it to be the way of following Christ...

– N.T. Wright
The Challenge of Easter

Can we *imagine* our work life to be at one with our worship – an act of service and praise, not a necessary evil on the way to an affluent lifestyle?

– Brian J. Walsh
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Every legitimate human occupation (paid or unpaid) is some dimension of God's own work: making, designing, doing chores, beautifying, organizing, helping, bringing dignity, and leading.

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But Jesus replied, "My Father is always working, and so am I."

– John 5:17, *New Living Translation*