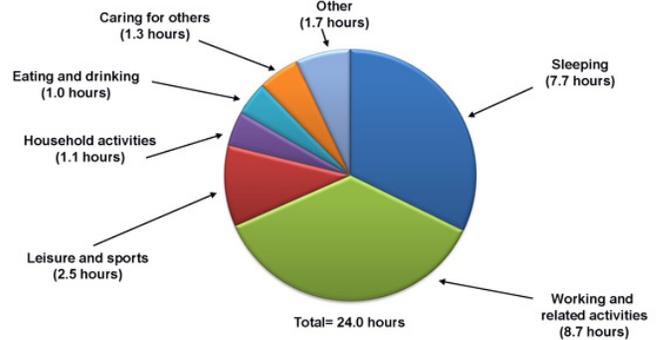


Good works will not save us
but they will bear witness to
the one who does.

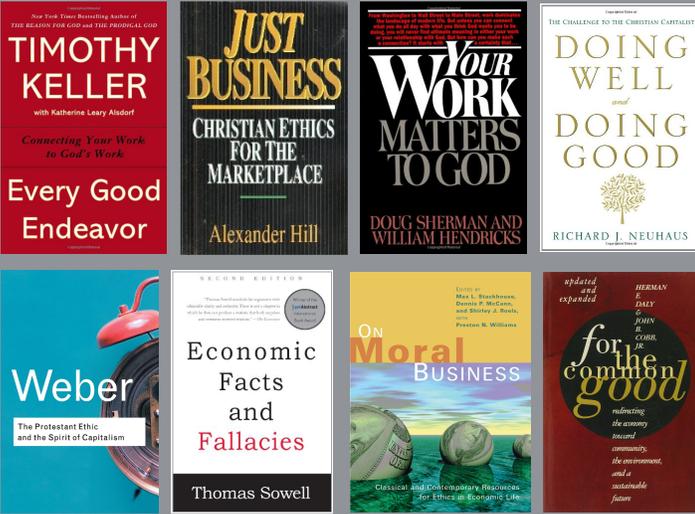
Two witnesses

1. the empty tomb
of God's Son
2. the ethical testimony
of God's saints.

Time use on an average work day for employed
persons ages 25 to 54 with children



NOTE: Data include employed persons on days they worked, ages 25 to 54, who lived in households with children under 18. Data include non-holiday weekdays and are annual averages for 2013. Data include related travel for each activity.
SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, American Time Use Survey

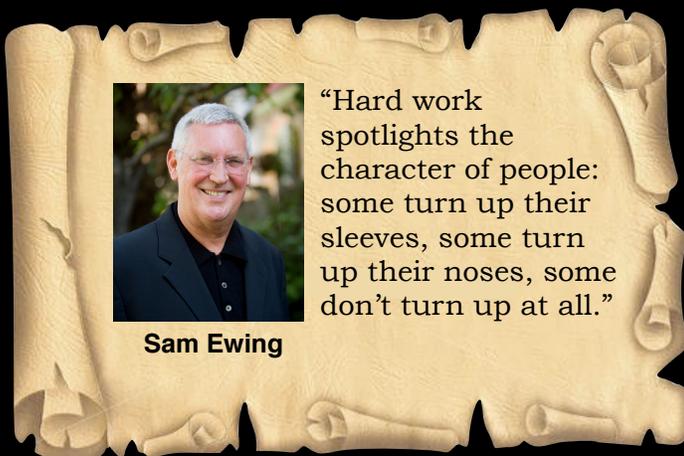


Genesis 1:28

“God blessed them; and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

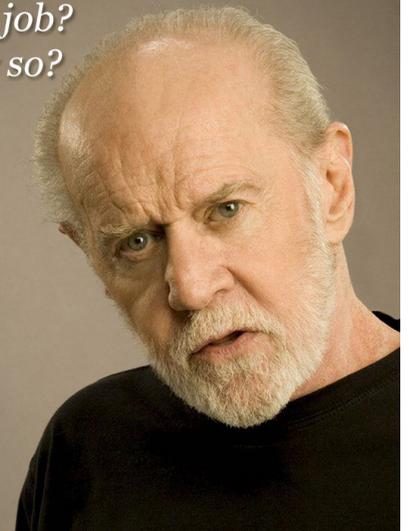
The first point
in a Biblical work ethic.

**Show up
for work!**



“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.”

- George Carlin



A newly released Gallup report shows that 70% of Americans polled either hate their job or are "disengaged" from their work, and even perks don't work if they're unhappy with management.



"We are most productive and happy when we are teamed with others we love and love us."

"The secret to happiness at work is the people you choose to work with as much as the kind of work you do."

Get in touch with the deepest desire of your heart

and then seek to make a living with it.

Don't pick a job with great vacation time.

Pick one that doesn't need escaping from.

Genesis 2:15

"Then the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it."

The second point in a Biblical work ethic.

Work with God's purposes in view!

Success

is being and doing in a manner that

1. respects God's gifts
2. represents God's priorities
3. and reflects God's character.

Demons in the workplace

The blue collar demon - Labor as a **burden** to be avoided as much as possible. (emphasis is on making it until retirement or at least the weekend)

The curse of the Fall
is not WORK

but rather the
environment in which
work takes place.

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Net Worth

is our culture's way
of keeping score in
the pecking order of

Self Worth.

Competition
is good

but only when linked to
cooperation &
compassion.

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We are a culture that
Worships at Work
Works at Play and
Plays at Worship.

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The red collar demon - Vocation as a **calling** or sacred ministry. (emphasis is on providential ministry)

Vocation
is not our calling
but rather a context
for the exercise
of our calling.

Genesis 3:12

"The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate."

The third point
in a Biblical work ethic.

**Take
responsibility for
the truth!**

Genesis 3:12

"The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate."

**MISTAKES
WERE
MADE**

(but not by *me*)

Why We Justify Foolish Beliefs,
Bad Decisions, and Hurtful Acts

CAROL TAVRIS AND ELLIOT ARONSON

*"We tend to reconstruct our
recollection of our behavior in
the past to justify our credibility
in the present."*

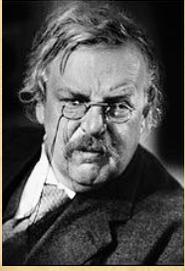


The call of the flesh
is to serve no master.

The call of the world
is to serve two masters.

The call of the Spirit
is to serve one master.

G. K. Chesterton



“The poor have
sometimes objected
to being governed
badly;

the rich have
always objected to
being governed at
all.”

Genesis 3:17

“Cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you will eat of it all the days of your life. Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you; and you will eat the plants of the field; by the sweat of your face you will eat bread, till you return to the ground.”

**The fourth point
in a Biblical work ethic.**

**Don't expect
it to be easy!**

Without hard
work, nothing
grows but
weeds.

Gordon B. Hinckley