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Don't Waste Your Work. Work Reflects Our Worship Speaker - Billy Holden

Big Idea: God says a lot about work. To fully understand the spiritual and theological significance of work, we have to go to the beginning. The book of Genesis describes the moments when God created the heavens and the earth. From the first few verses we see that God is not an idle deity, but one that creates and builds his creation to fellowship with him and follow his example.

Intro: What is work?

Hate it. Endure, Workaholics, Find Identity or Obsessed with money?

1) Let's Make PIE - 3 slices

1) Sleep

2) Work

3) Everything Else

Consider how much energy we place on bringing God into the "everything else" areas of life (families, marriages, parenting, hobbies, finances, etc.) in contrast to the work area of life

2) God is not an idle deity, but one that creates and builds his creation to fellowship with him

1. God creates light (1:3)
2. earth and sky (vv. 8–9),
3. animals (v. 20–25)
4. finally human beings (v. 26)

Humans he created in his image and likeness.

If God is a God who creates and works, and we are made in his image, then we are created with work inside us.

5. Genesis 1:28, God says, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it"

NOTICE - the call to create and cultivate came before the fall in Genesis 3.

Work can be a curse, but from the beginning work was supposed to be a reflection of worship to God and stewarding God's world for the common good.

Really everything can take on that context and should. "And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father" (Colossians 3:17).

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters" (v. 23).

Closing - Today we see how God created human beings to fellowship with him and follow his example to create, build, and steward.

How are we doing at that?