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## Don't Waste Your Work Life Bringers Speaker - Billy Holden

Big Idea: Our walk as believers brings a renewal to every room we enter. When we realize that work is frustrating we must stop and have the perspective that work is affected by the fall, and yet Jesus has brought new life.

Intro: What's your theme song for your work?

Another One Bites the dust? Take this Job and Shove It!

Could our work and feelings about work be influenced by our sin?

Jeremiah 17:9 - The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?

Proverbs 28:26 - Whoever trusts in his own mind is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom will be delivered.

Proverbs 14:12-13 - There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death. Even in laughter the heart may ache, and the end of joy may be grief.

Proverbs 3:5-6 - Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

### **1) God is telling Adam that his labor (HIS WORK) will now be plagued by frustration, pain, suffering, and toil.**

All your life you will struggle to scratch a living from it. 18It will grow thorns and thistles for you, though you will eat of its grains. 19By the sweat of your brow will you have food to eat until you return to the ground from which you were made. For you we're made from dust, and to dust you will return."

No matter what the endeavor, frustration is a part of the working life.

Jeffery Pfeffer says, "This is a serious issue that has serious consequences for corporate performance and for people's well-being. We should care about people's psychological and physical health, not just about profits"

### **2) What do you do when you hate your job?**

**No matter what we face once we get God back involved it everything can be redeemed.**

Our walk as believers should bring a renewal to every room and situation we enter.

But what if we began to actually pray for our bosses? To pray for our coworkers to have softened hearts

1st Corinthians 13 - If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.

**Closing - It's important to remember that God is faithful and that where he has us is just a moment in the grand journey of life.**