

Winning at Work

Ephesians 6:5-9, Colossians 3:22-25

- I. Today's Employment Scene
 - A. Downsizing
 - B. Consolidation
 - C. Insecurity
 - D. Global Economy

These factors call for...

 - 1. Life-long learning
 - 2. Flexibility
 - 3. Spiritual power to handle stress and insecurity
 - 4. Knowledge of optional way to earn a living such as a home business and through a trade such as carpentry, plumbing, and automotive repair, etc.
- II. What Employers Are Looking For Today In Potential Employees, and What Employers Give Pay Raises and Promotions For

This information is based on interviews I conducted several years ago with a bank president, a textile plant manager, and personnel officers for four other industrial plants.

 - A. Winning attitude
 - 1. Positive, eager
 - 2. Willing to learn, teachable
 - 3. Flexible, able to adjust and adapt, willing to do any job that needs to be done, willing to help others when necessary.
 - B. Job performance
 - 1. Able to do assigned work and get results
 - 2. Dependable, good attendance record, low absenteeism and tardiness
 - 3. Increasing quality and quantity of work
 - 4. Show extra effort and go extra mile
 - 5. Consistently work to your full potential, do your best

- 6. Initiative to make things happen, a leader makes things happen, does more than is expected.
 - C. Character
 - 1. Honesty; Integrity; Sincerity
 - 2. Live by their word
 - 3. Godly; Humble
 - D. Leadership ability
 - 1. Respected and followed by others
 - 2. Able to get along with others
- III. Biblical Principles That Relate To Your Work Life
Ephesians 6:5-9, Colossians 3:22-25
 - A. Single-hearted service, also Colossians 3:22b faithful, sincere, pure service
 - B. The object of your work, the person you work for, your boss
 - 1. ... as unto Christ. Ephesians 6:5
 - 2. ... servants of Christ. Ephesians 6:6
 - 3. ... as to the Lord. Ephesians 6:7, Colossians 3:23
 - 4. ... fearing God. Colossians 3:22b to cause to run away, terrify, frighten, to be afraid
 - C. The nature of our service
 - 1. Not with eye service as men pleasers, also Col. 3:22
 - a. sight labor that needs watching
 - b. to try to please men and not please God
 - 2. With good will, to favor well, to be well-minded toward another, to be friends
 - 3. Heartily, Colossians 3:23
 - D. You shall be rewarded for your efforts
 - 1. Ephesians 6:8
 - 2. Colossians 3:24