

Every Job

- Requires Work
- Offers Perks
- Includes Jerks

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“If you want plenty of experience in dealing with difficult people, then have kids.” —Bo Bennett

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If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself. —Henry Ford

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Work is about two things:
Responsibilities & Relationships

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²²Bondservants, obey in everything those who are your earthly masters, not by way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. ²³Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, ²⁴knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.

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²⁵For the wrongdoer will be paid back for the wrong he has done, and there is no partiality. ¹Masters, treat your bondservants justly and fairly, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.

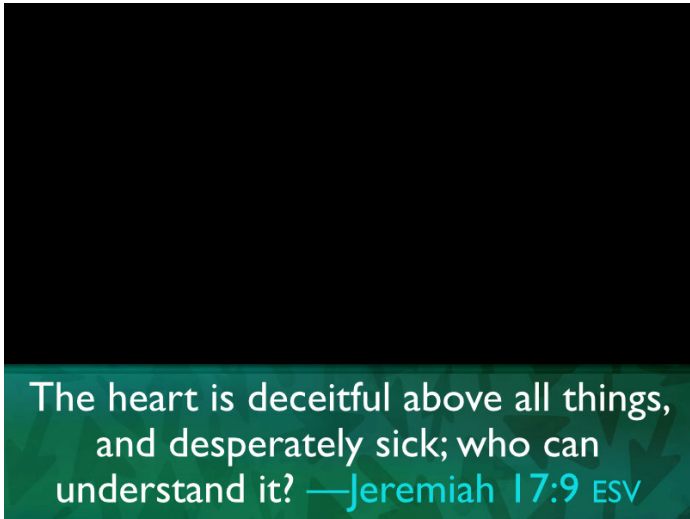
—Colossians 3:22–4:1 ESV

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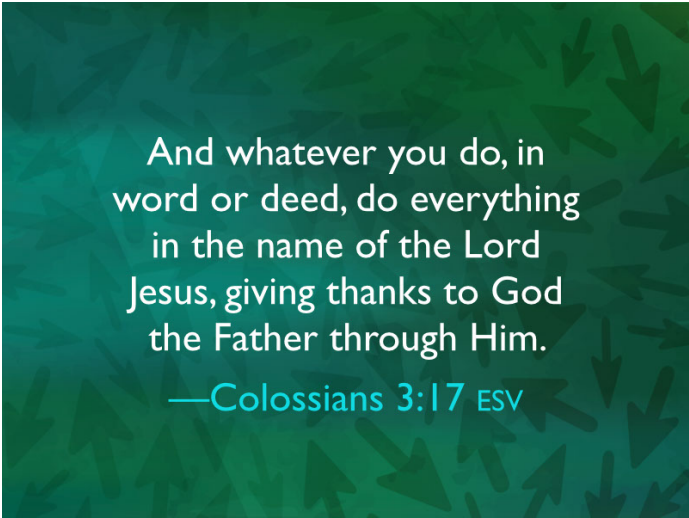
Respect the Authority Over You

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

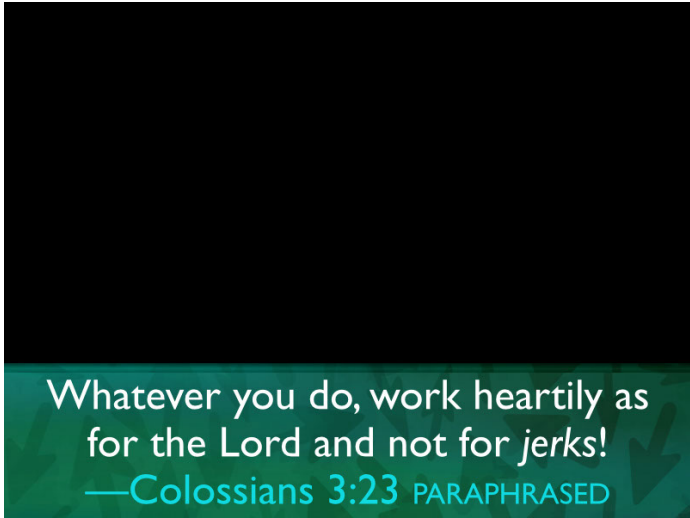
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And whatever you do, in
word or deed, do everything
in the name of the Lord
Jesus, giving thanks to God
the Father through Him.

—**Colossians 3:17** **ESV**

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Whatever you do, work heartily as
for the Lord and not for *jerks!*

—**Colossians 3:23** **PARAPHRASED**

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Resolve the Hostility Within You

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Ephesians 4:1-3, 17-18

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²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil.

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²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. —Ephesians 4:25-29 ESV

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“The most important area of management for you on your job is your attitude.”

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Reflect Humility Toward
Those Around You

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³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

⁴Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others... ⁸And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. —Philippians 2:3-4, 8 ESV

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“Ungodly thoughts about work create ungodly thoughts about co-workers.”
—Sebastian Traeger & Greg Gilbert

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¹⁶Live in harmony with one another.
Do not be haughty, but associate with the
lowly. Never be wise in your own sight.

¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give
thought to do what is honorable in the
sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends
on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved,
never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the
wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance
is Mine, I will repay, says the Lord."

—Romans 12:16-19 ESV

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Represent Joy in Everything
You Do

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¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or
disputing, ¹⁵that you may be blameless
and innocent, children of God without
blemish in the midst of a crooked and
twisted generation, among whom you
shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶holding
fast to the word of life, so that in the
day of Christ I may be proud that I did
not run in vain or labor in vain.

—Philippians 2:14-16 ESV

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"Most people don't mind suffering
in silence as long as everyone else
knows about it."

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