

DEFERRED COMPENSATION

WORK MATTERS – PART 3 – LIFEGROUP QUESTIONS

WHAT IS A BENEFIT/PERK YOU'VE HAD AT ONE OF YOUR JOBS?

HOW DO YOU KEEP YOUR FOCUS ON GOD WHEN YOU ARE "AT WORK?"

Colossians 3:22-24 (NIV)

*Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to win their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence **for the Lord**.*

*Whatever you do, work at it with **all your heart**, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.*

WHAT IS SOME WORK YOU HAVE NO PROBLEM DOING "WHOLEHEARTEDLY?" WHAT IS SOME WORK THAT IS HARD TO DO THAT WAY?

WHAT WENT THROUGH YOUR MIND WHEN THIS WAS MENTIONED: "WHAT THE BOSS DOESN'T SEE, THE KING DOES"

Proverbs 5:21 (NIV)

For a man's ways are in full view of the LORD, and he examines all his paths.

WHAT ARE SOME DIFFICULTIES IN KEEPING FOCUS ON THE REWARD, AND NOT JUST THE PAYCHECK? WHEN IS A TIME YOU CHOSE FUTURE REWARD OVER PAYCHECK?

Ephesians 6:5-9 (NIV)

Slaves, obey your earthly masters with respect and fear, and with sincerity of heart, just as you would obey Christ. Obey them not only to win their favor when their eye is on you, but like slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from your heart.

*Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men, **because you know that the Lord will reward everyone for whatever good he does, whether he is slave or free.***

And masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Do not threaten them, since you know that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no favoritism with him.

PASTOR MARK TALKED ABOUT THE LAW OF REWARDS. DISCUSS HOW THIS CAN MOTIVATE US IN OUR WORK.

- Salvation: God's work for us, our work for God is no substitute
- Rewards: Our work for God → God's work for us is no substitute

Ephesians 2:8-10 (NIV)

*For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God-- **not by works**, so that no one can boast. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to **do good works**, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

WHAT HAS TO HAPPEN FOR ME TO SAY TGIM?