

WORSHIP and WORK



EXPECTATIONS

EXPECTATIONS IN WORSHIP (PSALM 122)

1. EXPRESSION OF ABUNDANT JOY (1)
2. EXPECTATION OF INSPIRING MOMENTS (2)
3. CONNECTION (COMPACT) IN UNITY, OBEDIENCE AND GRATITUDE (3-4)
4. EXPERIENCING JUSTICE - MISHPAT/TZADEQUAH (5)
5. PURSUING PEACE - TWO PRAYERS(6-8)
 - A. THE PEACE OF THE CITY (6-7)
 - ACTIVITIES
 - SECURITY (PROTECTION)
 - BLESSING (PROSPERITY - PSALM 90:17)
 - B. PEACE OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS (8)
6. SEEKING THE GOODNESS/PRESENCE OF GOD (9)

EXPECTATIONS AT WORK * (COL. 3:23-24)

1. ALL WORK IS A CALLING FROM GOD (Ecc. 3:22)
Two drivers: Value and Accountability
2. ALL WORK IS WORKING FOR GOD (Proverbs 16:3)
Two drivers: Authority and Ethics
3. ALL WORK SHOULD GET MY BEST
(Psalm 25:21a; Philippians 4:8)
Two drivers: Enthusiasm and Excellence

* *Robert Lewis - Winning at Work and at Home*

Psalm 122 I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”

² Our feet have been standing within your gates,
O Jerusalem!

³ Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly
together,⁴ to which the tribes go up, the tribes of
the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give
thanks to the name of the Lord.

⁵ There thrones for judgment were set,
the thrones of the house of David.

⁶ Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

“May they be secure who love you!

⁷ Peace be within your walls and
security within your towers!”

⁸ For my brothers and companions' sake
I will say, “Peace be within you!”

⁹ For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek your good.

Colossians 3:23-24

Work willingly at whatever you do, as though
you were working for the Lord rather than for
people. ²⁴ Remember that the Lord will give you
an inheritance as your reward, and that the
Master you are serving is Christ.

Psalm 90:17 Let the favor of the Lord our God
be upon us, and establish the work of our hands
upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!

Proverbs 16:3 Commit your work to the Lord,
and your plans will be established.

Psalm 25:21a May integrity and uprightness
preserve me

Ecclesiastes 3:22 So I saw that there is nothing
better for people than to be happy in their
work.

Philippians 4:8 Whatever is true, whatever is
honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure,
whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable,
if there is any excellence, if there is anything
worthy of praise, think about these things.

Discussion Questions

1. Read Psalm 122. When you get in worship service or L.I.F.E. Group at church what are your expectations? In the list found in the outline pick an expectation(s) that you need to embrace as you prepare for worship and L.I.F.E. Group each week? Discuss with each other how to jumpstart the expectation(s) .
2. Read Colossians 3:23-24 and Proverbs 16:3. How does the view that our jobs are a “Calling from God” change our perspective about why and how we work? Discuss.
3. Pray for one another about developing a renewed perspective and enthusiasm for worship and work.