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#### "A BIBLICAL WORK ETHIC"

#### Proverbs 6:6-11

# Work is a part of the created design and order of this world!

- o Genesis 2:2 God's intentional example...
- o Genesis 2:4-5 Man was created for a purpose...
- o Genesis 2:8 & 15 Man was given a job...
- o Genesis 2:16-17 The job came with a God-given rule or boundary...

## Work became painful because of man's sin!

o Genesis 3:17-19 – The ground is cursed, resulting in painful labor...

## Work is sorrowful if it is not viewed with the proper perspective!

- Ecclesiastes 2:18-23 Our motive matters...
- o **Ecclesiastes 2:24-25** Work is to be enjoyed in relationship with God...
- o **Ecclesiastes 5:18-20** The provision that comes from my work is a reward from God...

### Questions to consider...

- What are the characteristics of the world's work ethic?
- How did this study challenge your view of work?
- Are the characteristics of the slacker [sluggard] present in your life?
- Is the work God has given you to do a source of joy in your life?
- Have you allowed God to make your workplace a mission field?
- What can you do to find more joy and satisfaction in your work?