

## The Shoemaker

“ How to See Your Job as Sacred ”

1. Recognize You Are Made to Work vv. 1:28-30

2. Keep Your Motivation on the Lord vv. 3:17-19

3. It All Starts with Jesus vv. 2:1-2



# Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. **PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

## HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit [pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/](http://pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/) or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

### Point #1

- a) Read Genesis 1:28-30. What was Adam's job in the garden? How is Adam's job not a one-man job but a partnership with God? Work is a part of paradise. How does this change your view of work?
- b) How can we bring God glory in our home or workplace? How can you partner with God to "make excellent shoes?"

### Point #2

- a) Read Genesis 3:17-19. How does Genesis describe the effects of the fall on work? God's good gifts are corrupted by sin. What are other examples of this besides work?
- b) How do you feel about the thorns and thistles today? Do you ever feel the tension of trying to justify yourself by your success at home or work? What are the dangers of finding our identity in work?

### Point #3

- a) Read Genesis 2:1-2. Why did God rest? Why does Jesus call himself "The Lord of Sabbath"?
- b) How can you find rest in the work of Jesus? How does this empower you to find beauty in work?

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## Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message. A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at [pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons](http://pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons).

### **MONDAY // Read Colossians 3:23-24, Galatians 6:10, Jeremiah 10:12**

- What is your heavenly reward? In what ways can you work for the Lord today and not for men?
- In what ways can you go about today the same way Adam did in the garden before the fall?

### **TUESDAY // Read Philippians 2:13, Hebrews 13:16, Psalms 104:24**

- How is God at work in you today? In what way is He making you more like His Son?
- How does God want to work through you today? Who are people you can bless today?
- Reflect on God's craftsmanship. How does His creation remind you of His character?

### **WEDNESDAY // Read Psalm 128:1-2, Galatians 5:22-23**

- What does it mean to fear the Lord? How can you walk in obedience with Him today?
- What are the fruits of God's labor in your life? In what areas would you like to see an increase of fruitfulness?
- How can others enjoy His work in you today?

### **THURSDAY // Read John 9:4, Mark 16:15, Galatians 6:2**

- What are works we can do today for God that we will not do in heaven?
- Who are people in your life that need to hear the good news of the gospel? Who are the people in your life that have needs you can meet?

### **FRIDAY // Read Exodus 35:35, Hebrews 6:10**

- The work described in Ex. 35:35 seems mundane but why is that not true? Who has filled them with this skill?
- Sometimes our work goes unnoticed, but God sees it all. How does this empower you to press on for the Lord?

### **SATURDAY // Read James 1:17, Philippians 1:6**

- How has God gifted you? How can you use these gifts for His glory and the good of others?
- What is the good work God has started and is faithful to complete in you?

**MEDITATION VERSE:** *Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.* **Colossians 3:23-24**