



Part 1: *Giving to the Cause of the Gospel*

Part 2: *Spending Less to Give More*

Part 3: *Working as Worship*

We readily compartmentalize our lives into that which belongs to God and that which we see as ours. It is much too easy to see Sunday as God's day and to view Monday to Saturday as ours. But that is no truer than calling our tithe God's and everything else we own ours.

– Edwin Friesen, MFC Stewardship Consultant

From the beginning, the human creature is called, given a vocation, and expected to share in God's work.

– Walter Brueggemann, *Genesis*

People say, "What am I here for? Why am I alive?" Genesis 2 (and, for that matter, Genesis 1 as well) offer an answer. We are here so that we can join the cause! We belong to a cause that is bigger than ourselves.

– W. Sibley Towner, *Genesis*

Work is a gift of God, not a punishment for sin. Even before the Fall humanity has duties to perform.

– Bruce K. Waltke, *Genesis, A Commentary*

Oh you hate your job? Why didn't you say so? There's a support group for that. It's called EVERYBODY, and they meet at the bar.

– Drew Carey

Work itself is a blessing of the working God, not a curse.

– Bruce K. Waltke, *Genesis*

"My Father is always working, and so am I."

– Jesus, John 5:17