

## DAILY READING: WORKING FOR THE LORD

I will do all my work (*school, chores, etc.*) as though I am working for the Lord. As a follower of Jesus everything I do influences how others see Him. I will do my work with honesty. I will not be lazy or do a poor job. I will contribute to the good of others and the Kingdom of God so that others will want to know Jesus. All my work is satisfying, even boring tasks, because I work for Jesus. I take joy in my work because I work for the Lord above all others. I am responsible to Him therefore I am committed to work to the best of my ability. I trust God, my Heavenly Father, to provide work opportunities fulfilling His planned purpose for me. I am committed to practice excellence in all I do. My work is a love offering to Jesus. I will do all my work as though working for the Lord.

### DAILY STUDY: WORKING FOR THE LORD

**DAY 1:** Made to Work –

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 (page 1183);

Genesis 2:15 (page 6)

**DAY 2:** Example for Coworkers

(or classmates) – Titus 2:9-10

(page 1203); Proverbs 13:4 (page 627)

**DAY 3:** Work Responsibly –

Colossians 4:5-6 (page 1178);

Ecclesiastes 9:10 (page 650)

**DAY 4:** Work as if for the Lord – Ephesians 6:7-8 (page 1166);

Psalms 90:17 (page 583)



#### Strength

Jack LaLanne demonstrated the strength of his body many times by taking on difficult challenges. It was reported that at age 70, Mr. LaLanne pulled 70 rowboats for a mile against the wind while handcuffed. He worked hard. We should work hard and make sure that we do everything for the Lord.

**DAY 5:** Made to Rest – Hebrews 4:9-10 (page 1212);

Exodus 20:8-10 (page 78)

**DAY 6:** Don't Live Idly (*without much thought, effort or*

*attention*) – 2 Thessalonians 3:7-13 (page 1187);

Proverbs 12:11 (page 626)

**DAY 7:** Work Hard – 1 Peter 2:12 (page 1230); Ephesians 4:28

(page 1165); Proverbs 14:23 (page 628)

**Take time to learn the memory verse  
and have fun doing the activity.**

## ACTIVITY: Who Are You Working For?

You have schoolwork to turn in to your teacher(s) and chores to do for your parents. Who do you work for when you do your work? The Bible says you are to do all your work for the Lord. This means you are to work to please and honor Him. You may find that you often don't even consider the Lord when you are working.

### STEPS:

Write down one job you do without even thinking about it. Then write down one job you often have a bad attitude when doing it. Bring each of these jobs to Jesus in prayer, asking Him to help you do them both for His glory. Pray about these two jobs every day for a week. See if you notice a change in your attitude and your awareness.

### MEMORY VERSE:

Ephesians 6:7-8  
"Work with enthusiasm, as though  
you were working for the Lord rather  
than for people."  
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