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"It has been said that work is the highest form of play."
Catherine Ponder

A college professor once told his class, "If you choose a career you love, you will never go to work." So many times we take jobs because of the money and think that we will be prosperous, but it turns out not to be so. We often forget that our work is our expression of the divine and therefore should always be thought of as spiritual. Then no matter what the career, you will never go to work.

How is work spiritual? Lisa Wittman answered this question in a recent article, "Our culture has the tendency to isolate work from spirit, business from the Christ within. We believe Christ is within us at *all* times. So how is it possible for us to come to our work *without* the Christ within being present? If we are present, the Christ is present. This makes everything we do a spiritual undertaking. It all depends on how we bring ourselves to the task. Do we bring our wholeness, or not? Through wholeness, we bring an energy field that affects all we do."

Catherine tells us that attitude is "key." She goes on to say, "The desire for prosperity and for beneficial self expression in work is but a part of that creative energy trying to express in our lives." What kind of an attitude do you have around your work? If you are just settling into the rut of the job, you are limiting yourself by your attitude. With a positive attitude you find ways to creatively and imaginatively accomplish the work before you, thus giving it meaning and keeping it interesting. What better way to acknowledge and express the Christ within?

Ralph Waldo Emerson said best: "No matter what your work, let it be your own. No matter what your occupation, let what you are doing be organic. Let it be in your bones. In this way you will open the door by which affluence of heaven and earth shall stream into you."

Eric Butterworth in *Spiritual Economics* tells us, "Begin to think of your work as your calling. The creative process is calling, singing its song in you and as you. However it is not your song but the will of Him who sent you. So the work becomes easy and fulfilling, and you become prosperous and successful in it."

It is always how you think and look at life that expresses as your life. Start today to consciously be aware of your thoughts and words to create the prosperous life you desire.

The Bible says:

- “Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake.” Deut 15:10
- “But you, take courage! Do not let your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded.” 2 Chron 15:7
- “And every work that he undertook in the service of the house of God, and in accordance with the law and the commandments, to seek his God, he did with all his heart; and he prospered.” 2 Chron 31:21
- “Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.” Prov 16:3
- “I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do.” John 17:4 S
- “We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.” Rom 8:28

Unity says:

“Work is, and should be so considered by every worker, a giving process.” Eric Butterworth, *Spiritual Economics*

“When you work in the right consciousness, when your work becomes organically a part of your whole self, when you work out of that commitment, no matter what other people do, no matter what the compensation may be, doing it for the health of your own soul, then you open the door by which the affluence of the Universe flows forth into your life.” Eric Butterworth, *Spiritual Economics*

“Our work is our means of expressing what God is unfolding through us.” Myrtle Fillmore, *How to Let God Help You*

“The true object of all work is to express the powers of one’s being and to benefit mankind.” Charles Fillmore, *Revealing Word*

“The Father has sent each one of us out to do a certain work. Are we doing that work? Have we asked what it is? Or are we aimlessly wandering about earth trying to find satisfaction in the fleeting things of sense?” Charles Fillmore, *Atom Smashing Power of Mind*

Practices

1. This practice is straight from Catherine’s book. In a time of meditation, as nearly as you can, form a mental picture of what you want your life to be like.
 - After forming a picture of what you desire, begin developing and living your desire mentally. Begin thinking of the desired results as though they were already obtained. You thereby take mental possession of your desired good and quicken its manifestation.
 - Ask divine intelligence to show you the next step toward attaining your desired

picture of good. You will be shown whether it means going to night school for more courses of study, making drastic changes in your work and way of life, or developing a more constructive attitude about your present job and its potential. As you are shown the next step, boldly follow it in faith, knowing that it can lead only to richer satisfaction.

- Persist and persevere in knowing that congenial work can and shall be yours. Emerson said that everything has a price and if that price is not paid, then not that thing but something else is obtained. So persist in paying the price in inner and outer ways, and you shall gain from life what you truly desire.
- Continue giving your best in your present situation, even though you may be mentally living beyond it. And above all, keep your spirits high through the law of saturation.

Truly, as you travel within in these various ways, you cannot stand still without!

2. As you think about your workplace, what happens in you? How do you feel, what are your thoughts? Where is the Christ while you are there? What is spiritual about your work in particular? Write about these in your journal, and share with your prayer triad.
3. Select one of the passages above that speaks especially to you, and write it on an index card. Take it to work with you, and keep it where you can see it. At random moments during the day, consider where you are. Can you wholeheartedly agree that the direction of the passage describes your relationship with your work at this moment? What can you do in the next moment to make it so? You may want to write about this experience in your journal and/or share it with your prayer triad.