

Discussion Title: Who do you work for?		Category: Finance/Career
1)	Opening Question(s):	Pick 2-3 individuals to share. 5 – 10 minutes total.
	What are some things that make the job market tough? - High unemployment rate (lack of jobs) - Competition - Lack of training/education - Lack of work experience - Those are all logistical issues that can affect our outlook on obtaining employment.	
	2) What do you think God’s perspective on the current job market is? “Commit your actions to the LORD, and your plans will succeed.” ~ Proverbs 16:3 God is so much bigger than the dim view of today’s job market	
	3) What are some ways we can do this in our job search: - Study God’s Word for guidance and direction - Pray - Have others pray for us The bottom line is that God can bless you with a getting a job and keeping a job, but we need to ensure we do it God’s way and surrender to God’s will. The following are some great principles as you pursue getting and having a godly career.	
Lesson:		
Q.	Principle 1– Humility 1 Peter 5:5 What are some ways to display humility - Ask for guidance (from friends in HR, etc.) - Be willing to start in an entry level position - If you have a job, be humble in your role	Pick 1-2 individuals to answer each question (Q). Keep track of time during the discussion. Keep the discussion focused and on point. Avoid going off on a tangent topic. Additional notes: _____ _____
	Principle 2 – Diligence Proverbs 10:4 Q. How can you be diligent?	

- When you don't have a job, your job is to look for a job
- Don't give up, no matter what
- When you have a job, it's important to work diligently

Other Principles to help you get and keep a job in a godly way, with accompanying scriptures:

Principle 3 – A Learner’s Heart

Proverbs 3:7

Principle 4 - Listen to Advice

Proverbs 15:22

Principle 5 – Remember to Give Back

Malachi 3:10

Conclusion: All these principles will help you in your pursuit of a godly job and/or to keep a job that will allow you to bring glory to God. In the end, we must be content and remember who we're working for as it says in **Colossians 3:23 – 24**: “Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.”

Faith in Action – Pray. Develop a plan using these principles to either get a job or to ensure that you’re being the best you can be in your current job. Follow through.

Scriptures for personal study: Proverbs 21:5, Luke 16:10a, Hebrews 13:7

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