

Serving Christ at Work

I. Introduction

A. Scripture thoroughly equips us to conduct ourselves as we should in any environment. Consider some principles Scripture teaches that are particularly helpful for the Christian in the workplace.

II. Serving Christ

A. One key to bear in mind in the workplace is that if we conduct ourselves as we should, we will not just be serving others in this capacity, but we will foremost be serving Christ.
Colossians 3:23-24

III. Working with Integrity

A. The responsibilities entrusted to employees demands integrity if one is to be faithful to Christ in the workplace. **Titus 2:10**
B. Part of this integrity may lead the Christian to go against what an employer asks – this situation arises when an employer's request would have the Christian violate God's will. **Acts 5:29**

IV. Don't Be Conformed to the World

A. A principle that is important in any environment and particularly key to bear in mind in the workplace is the need to not conform to the world. A Christian may spend great amounts of time with people who are not faithful Christians in the workplace, and it creates a need to be always mindful that the norms of such people don't dictate what's right and wrong.
Romans 12:2, 9

V. Be a Bright, Shining Light

A. Instead of allowing worldly co-workers to lead one astray, the Christian should be a positive influence on others to help lead them to the light. The Christian in the workplace has a particular opportunity to shine as a bright light.
Philippians 2:14; Matthew 5:14-16

VI. Be a Good Christian

A. In a nutshell, the child of God's responsibility in the workplace is to be a good Christian. The one who truly follows Christ in the workplace is noticeably different from the majority.
B. For instance, the faithful Christian is diligent (**Rom. 12:11**), peaceable toward others (**Rom. 12:18**), slow to anger (**Jas. 1:19**), caring (**Phil. 2:4**), kind (**Eph. 4:32**), truthful (**Col. 3:9**), humble (**Col. 3:12**), and full of gratitude rather than grumbling (**1 Cor. 10:10**).

VII. Trust the Lord for an Eternal Inheritance

A. While there's no guarantee that the Christian who faithfully does what he or she should will always be treated fairly by employers, co-workers, customers, etc., there is assurance that the *Lord* will take care of those who faithfully serve Him. This helps provide great motivation for doing the right thing and behaving as we should in the workplace and any environment the Christian finds him or herself in. **Colossians 3:24-25**