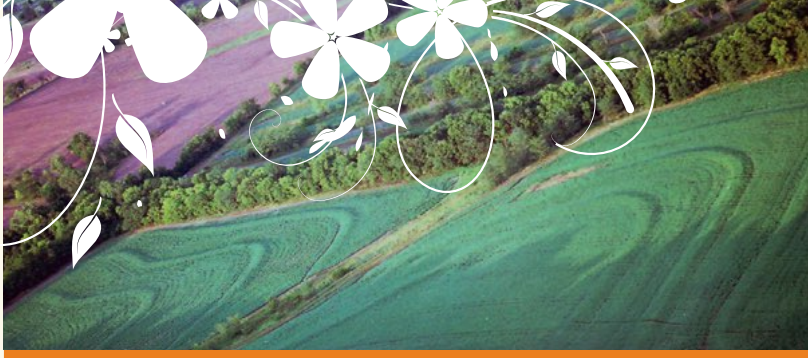




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This Bible Study may be very difficult to do. We must go through this study carefully, and if we are doing it with others we must be gentle and patient. Some of the teaching in the Bible is very strong but it is always for our own good that God says them.

- When we work
we are being obedient to God
- When we work
we provide for our family.
- When we work
we provide for the poor.





Six Questions and Answers on Work and Begging

- What is work?
Work is when we are paid for something we do, make or produce.
- Why should we work if the government gives us social welfare money?
Social welfare is for emergencies only.
- When is it acceptable not to work?
When we are too sick or too old or caring for others.
- Who should work?
Every man should work to provide for his family. If there is no man in the family a woman must work.
- Where should we work?
We should do anything legal, anywhere and any time to provide for our family and for the poor.
- How can we work if there are no jobs?
We should create our own work and give others work to do.





1. Work Is What God Gave Man To Do.



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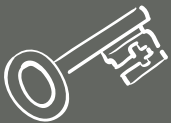
- If God gave man work to do, it was for his own good.
- When a man works he is doing the will of God.
- We can question why God says things but we can not disobey Him.
- When we work because God commands us to, we have peace in our hearts.



Seven Keys in Learning About Work and Begging

Answer the Question:

Why should you have to work?



2. To work is a sign to the world that we are followers of Jesus.

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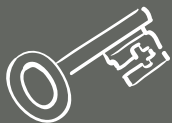
- Work is very spiritual.
- A Christian can not refuse to work and still walk with God.
- Work provides food, clothing and shelter for our families.
- Our work is like worship.

Answer the Question:

Do you provide for your family by working?



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3. If a man does not work he should not eat.

2 Thessalonians 3:10

"For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat."

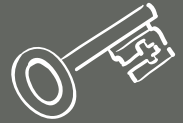
- If a man does not work he is punishing himself.
- If a man does not work he is neglecting his family.
- To not work is one of the most serious sins a man can commit.
- A man or woman must never beg for food.

Answer the Question: Is this truth "if a man does not work he should not eat" hard to accept?

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4. Work must always be honest.



Ephesians 4:28

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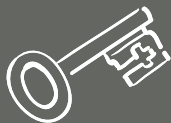
- We must never steal.
- We must never beg.
- We must always produce more than we need so we can share it with others.
- It gives us great joy to provide for widows, children without fathers and the sick.

Answer the Question:

Is it hard to be follower of Jesus?



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5. Work gives a sense of happiness when it is done for the right reason.

Psalm 128:2

“You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.”

- God has joy when we have joy.
- We sleep at night with peace and a clear conscience.
- God promises us that if we obey Him He will provide for us.
- In our hearts we know this is true.

Answer the Question:

Why is work good?



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6. Working for man is working for God.



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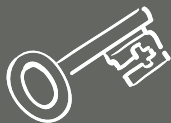
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Answer the Question: Why is a man happy if he works?



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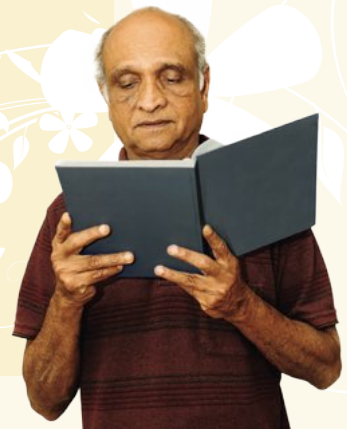
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