

Jesus and Your Job – Part 2

Your Work Matters to God

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Last week we looked at three views of work: the secular view, the hierarchical view, and God's view. In God's view of work we saw that God is a worker, He created you to be a worker, and He even created you to be His *co-worker!* As a result, work has "intrinsic" value (value in and of itself). I want to add that work also has "instrumental" value (It makes things happen). So, for instance:

- Through work we serve people
 - Through work we support ourselves and our family
 - Through work we earn money to give to others
 - Through work we love God by doing what He created us to do.
- So in the words of God, "Work is good."

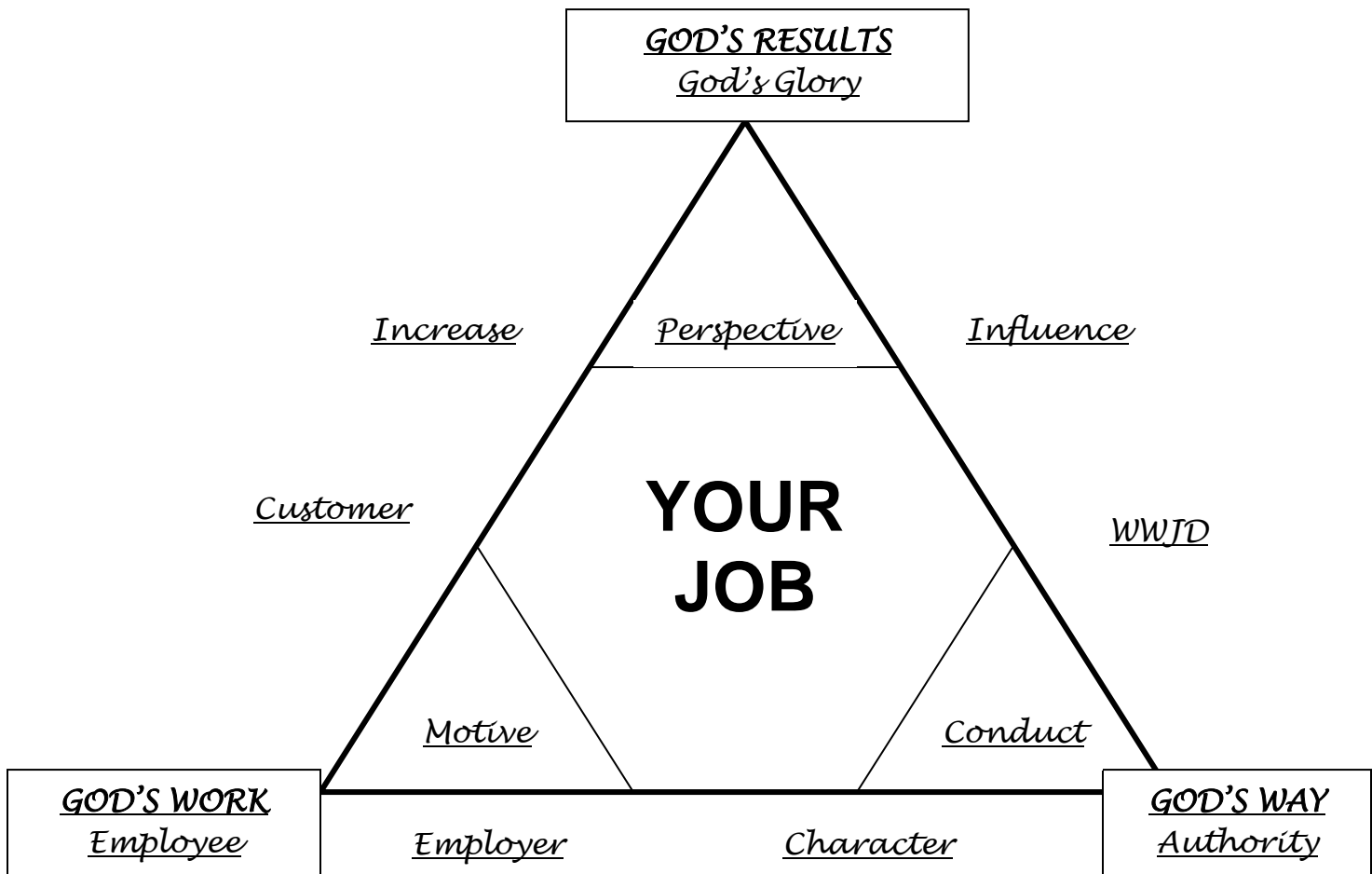
1. The effects of sin on work (Gen. 3:17-19)

- Work is not a result of sin...but:
- Sin made work *harder*.
- Sin made life and work *futile*.
- Sin affects our coworkers and the *system*.

2. Jesus and your job (Romans 8:18-21; Colossians 3:22-24)

- Christ's death did not change *work*, but Christ's death did change the *worker*.

3. Working for God – His work, His way, His results



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