

7 Reasons Why We Work:

1. Because I have to?

“Those unwilling to work will not get to eat.”

-2 Thessalonians 3:10

2. Because I desire to meet my needs and the needs of my family.

“If anyone doesn’t take care of his own relatives, especially his immediate family, he has denied the Christian faith and is worse than an unbeliever.” - **1 Timothy 5:8**

3. Because I desire to have a certain standard of living?

“It is a good thing to receive wealth from God and the good health to enjoy it. To enjoy your work and accept your lot in life—this is indeed a gift from God.” -**Ecclesiastes 5:19**

4. Because I desire to accomplish something meaningful to me.

“There is nothing better for people to do than to eat, drink, and find satisfaction in their work. I saw that even this comes from the hand of God.” -**Ecclesiastes 2:24**

5. I seek to do something through my work that is *helpful* and of *service* to others.

“God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.” -**1 Peter 4:10**

6. I can earn money so I can give it to help others.

“...Use your hands for good hard work, and then give generously to others in need.” -**Ephesians 4:28**

7. I can serve and glorify God in my work and spiritually impact people.

“Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce.” -**Proverbs 3:9**

“Whenever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.”

-Colossians 3:23-24.