

The Message Notes

Series: Seven Deadly Sins

Message: *Overcoming Slothfulness*

Sunday: October 4th 2020

Scripture: Genesis 1:31-2:1-3



Review: Seven Deadly Sins

1. Overcome pride by humility and submission
2. Overcome envy by contentment
3. Overcome anger by self-control
4. Overcome glutton by diet portions
5. Overcome greed with generosity

Principles of Generosity:

1. Give to God first (God's Lordship and Ownership) – Proverbs 3:9-10
2. Giving are seeds that return to you or stored for you - 2 Corinthians 9:10
3. Giving and money are managed through stewardship - Proverbs 21:20

Stewardship Plan

1. Give some (10%) – *honor God with the first*
2. Save some (5%) – *emergency, investments*
3. Live off the rest (85%) – *your lifestyle*

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Introduction:

You're going to be surprised what the bible considers laziness.

Working does not mean you're not lazy. Working sometimes exposes your laziness.

PT1. _____ overcomes slothfulness.

- Slothfulness is idleness
- Work is activity

Work is the **physical** or **mental energy** needed to accomplish a task.

Slothfulness is a sin because it is the lack of **interest** or **motivation** to exert the physical or mental energy to accomplish a task.

Slothfulness is sinful according to the Scriptures because you're not motivated to give a return on His investment in your life. Matthew 26:26-27

Work and Lazy people:

1. Hate work - Proverbs 21:25
2. Love sleep – Proverbs 26:14
3. Make excuses – Proverbs 26:13
4. Procrastinate – Proverbs 14:23

Work and Poverty:

Proverbs 6:9. But you, **lazybones**, how long will you sleep? When will you wake up? **10.** A little extra sleep, a little more **slumber**, a little folding of the hands to rest- **11.** then **poverty** will pounce on you like a bandit; **scarcity** will attack you like an armed robber. (NLT)

PT2. Work is an _____ of God – Genesis 1:31, 2:1-3

PT3. Work is _____ and the workplace are the _____ field

Genesis 2:15. The Lord God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to **tend** and **watch over** it. (NLT)

- tend – to cultivate, nurture to improve
 - watch over – preserve from decline
- a) Work and Command – Exodus 20:8, 10a.-11
 - b) Work and Motivation – 2 Thessalonians 3:10, Proverbs 16:26
 - c) Work and Prosperity – Ephesians 4:28
 - d) Work and Passion – Ecclesiastes 9:10, Ephesians 6:7-8
 - e) Work and Witness – Matthew 5:16

TAKEAWAY: Name three takeaways

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Next Week: Overcoming Lust (Sex)