

## “Work: An Opportunity for Evangelism”

### Three Fundamental Passages. . .

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

*Matthew 5:16*

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

*2 Corinthians 5:20*

. . .but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.

*1 Peter 3:15*

### Three Basic Observations. . .

- Christians must be **present** in the world.
  - Resist the temptation to **conform** to the world.
  - Resist the temptation to **withdraw** from the world.
- Christians must be **known** as Christians.
- Christians must be **vocal** in their witness.

### One Simple Truth. . .

While evangelism is not the **primary** purpose for our work, it is **one** of the purposes of our work.

### Six Important Exhortations. . .

- Work with **excellence**.
- Put Jesus on the **table**.
- Invest in **people**.
- Be **prayerful**. . .
  - For **opportunities**.
  - For **boldness**.
- Be **prepared**.
- Lean on your **church**.

**Community Group Discussion**  
*For the Week of February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019*

1. As you reflect on Sunday's sermon, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?
2. What is one way you can start putting Jesus on the table this week?
3. As a group, compile four examples of what investing in people at your work would look like?
4. How can you incorporate prayers for evangelism in your personal life and community group? Commit to this plan for the next four weeks.
5. Write down one unbelieving person you interact with regularly through your work. Then pray as a group for an opportunity to share with them and for boldness to share.