

## Generations

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Advancements the first time, five generaare very different.

in very different life-experinutrition and the health ence, resulting in differing sciences have changed the definitions of what work is American workplace. For all about. Traditionalists survived the Great Deprestions of Americans are liv-sion and WWII; followed ing and working together. by two decades of unparal-This has made the work- leled prosperity. They were Recession brought a new place far more complex be- thankful, and never forgot cause when it comes to our how quickly it could disview of work & money, we appear. For them it was all eted, just as the job market about safety. They wanted shrank. If you were lucky a good paying, stable, se- enough to find a job, pay

them a safe retirement. If ment was slower. The Ba-portunities to serve God you find a job like that, you by-Boomers were living and other people through stayed there for life.

their parent's prosperity. Never having experienced deprivation, we were obsessed with being successful. Upward mobility was a lot, pursuing every opportunity that promised higher pay and more prestige. Brand loyalty didn't matter as much as being "Rich and famous". And until we made it". We took credit debt and credit cards to new, never before seen heights. And in the the church, the prosperity gospel found many adherents.

the world Then changed: 911 and the Great reality. The cost of housing and education skyrock-Each generation has a cure job that would give was lower and advance- and more about finding op-

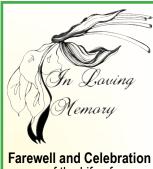
longer, and taking longer our work." to retire. Plus, Gen X'ers "Baby-Boomers" and Millennial's want more reaped the benefits of than a great income. They also want significance; and they are willing to wait for

our goal. We moved about these views biblical? Or is need a new job, better pay, our view work & money merely the consequence of how our cultural experience has shaped us? Answer! We tend to divorce you already have: "Whatwork & worship, and in dowe were willing to "fake it ing so we have missed both the greater purpose of our lives, and the joy of serving God by working out work day." It will change our faith in the workplace.

> The Bible tells us that work is not only about us, but also about God. Max Lucado points out, "With God, our work matters as much as our worship... work can be worship". Tim Keller added, work is" less about prosperity and finding personal fulfillment...

A job is not only a place where we can make money and find personal fulfillment. It is also a place to portray Christ in how we do our job and earn our Question? Are any of money. You probably don't or a more fulfilling career. You may, as Paul told the Corinthians, only need a fresh attitude about the job ever you do, do it all for the glory of God." (1Corinthians 10:31). Make today and everyday, "take Jesus to your life, and change your career.

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