WORK LIKE JESUS

Recall your first official workplace. Where, when, and what did you do? What about that work might have helped "build character?"

Review *Mark 6:1-6*. What impresses you, stirs up a question, or supplies fresh insight?

Read <u>Colossians 3:22-25</u> in the Message paraphrase.

What's moving and motivating? Is there a specific arena of your work attitude and actions that should be positively affected by Paul's wisdom in these words?

Explore **Mark 5**.

Christ's character was revealed in the work of his hands by: working miracles; working with care and compassion; working with a servant's heart.

In each of the scenes in Mark 5, how do you see the above character qualities demonstrated by Christ?

How do these character qualities stretch you to work more like Jesus? What can they look like in your own daily endeavors?

Review **Colossians 3:17**. What is your own honest perspective about "work?"

Do you view "serving Jesus" in official church ministry and mission as higher than other "normal, ordinary" work?

What might happen if you start to view your "whatever" as truly, fully serving Jesus, to be accomplished in his likeness, in his name, in his character, outlook, and heartbeat?

How will you take a tangible step this week to do your "whatever" all in the name/character of the Lord Jesus? What will that look like?

What will you do different in order to cultivate such character formation?

Get Ready for Next Week!
Read *Luke 11:1-13; John 17; Matthew 11:25-30*.