



margins in life

# Work and Life

**Lukas 12:22-24 , 29-34 MSG**

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"As people's commitment to family, community, and faith are shrinking, they begin to look to their careers to provide them with meaning, connectedness, identity and esteem."

~ Benjamin Hunnicutt

Dear, dear Corinthians, I can't tell you how much I long for you to enter this wide-open, spacious life.

We didn't fence you in. The smallness you feel comes from within you. Your lives aren't small, but you're living them in a small way. I'm speaking as plainly as I can and with great affection. Open up your lives. Live openly and expansively! 2 Corinthians 6:11-13 MSG

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## **Jesus praat oor ...**

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### **1. Waardes: Waar is jou skat? (:34)**

Anything I wanted, I got. I did not deny myself any pleasure. I was proud of everything I had worked for, and all this was my reward. Then I thought about all that I had done and how hard I had worked doing it, and I realized that it didn't mean a thing. It was like chasing the wind – of no use at all. Ecclesiastes 2:10,11 GN | You can be sure that using people or religion or things just for what you can get out of them – the usual variations on idolatry – will get you nowhere, and certainly nowhere near the kingdom of Christ, the kingdom of God. Ephesians 5:5 MSG

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## 2. Identiteit: Wie is jy? (:28)

I have also learned why people work so hard to succeed: it is because they envy the things their neighbors have. But it is useless. It is like chasing the wind. Ecclesiastes 4:4 GN

## 3. Geloof: Wie vertrou jy? (:24)

Daarom moet julle jul nie kwel en sê: Wat sal ons eet, of wat sal ons drink, of wat sal ons aantrek nie? Want na al hierdie dinge soek die heidene; want julle hemelse Vader weet dat julle al hierdie dinge nodig het. Matteus 6:31,32

## 4. Gedrag: Wat doen jy? (:29)

It is senseless for you to work so hard from early morning till late at night ... for God wants His loved ones to get their proper rest. Psalm 127:2LB | All of us should eat and drink and enjoy what we have worked for. It is God's gift, Ecclesiastes 3:13 GN

Ek word 'n dader van die Woord deur ...