



KEEP CALM & WISE UP

"My Work"

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1. Hard work is a Christian _____ that blesses others and glorifies God.

"He who works his land will have abundant food, but he who chases fantasies lacks judgment." . . . ⁴"From the fruit of his lips a man is filled with good things, as surely the work of his hands rewards him." Proverbs 12:11, 14

*⁴"Lazy hands make a man poor, but diligent hands bring wealth. ⁵He who gathers crops in the summer is a wise son, **but he who sleeps during harvest is a disgraceful son.**" Proverbs 10:4-5*

• Laziness is a curse that makes life _____.

"As vinegar to the teeth and smoke to the eyes, so is a sluggard to those who send him." Proverbs 10:26

"The sluggard craves and gets nothing, but the desires of the diligent are fully satisfied." Proverbs 13:4

2. The sluggard sleeps _____ – the workaholic doesn't rest _____.

⁹"How long will you lie there, you sluggard? When will you get up from your sleep? ¹⁰A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest, ¹¹and poverty will come on you like a bandit and scarcity like an armed man." Proverbs 6:9-11

"Do not love sleep or you will grow poor. Stay awake and you will have food to spare." Proverbs 20:13

"As the door turns on its hinges, so a sluggard turns on his bed." Proverbs 26:14

⁸"Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁰but the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work . . ." Exodus 20:8-10a

3. The wise work at turning obstacles into _____.

"The way of the sluggard is blocked with thorns, but the path of the upright is a highway." Proverbs 15:19

"The sluggard says, 'There's a lion outside' or 'I'll be murdered in the streets.'" Proverbs 22:13

"All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty." Proverbs 14:23

NEXT STEPS for Week Six - "My Work":

- Ask God to show you how to use your work for His glory & for the good of others.
- What are you putting off doing that you know you should do?
- Volunteer for our annual FALL FESTIVAL this Wednesday, 6-8 p.m.