

**Small Group Discussion
Guide**

**“Mind Your Business”
Matt Zainea**

7-25-10

Big Idea:

“Participating with God in the ongoing joy of creating.”

Main Text:

“Matthew 25:14-30”



Discussion Points

- From Matt's sermon, define a biblical worldview of economics.
What are some of the implications of that world view on your daily life?
- Which of the following can you relate to in terms of a broken worldview of economics? Why?
 - Indifference
 - Compartmentalization
 - Greed
 - Consumerism
 - Health & Wealth Gospel
 - Poverty as Virtue
 - Socialism
- Which of the following false views of work do you relate to and why?
 - The enemy of leisure
 - Necessary evil
 - A way to get rich
 - A way to exercise power
 - A way to personal significance
- Read and reflect on the following statement about work.
Work was meant to be men and women using their God given gifts to participate with Him in the ongoing joy of creation within the bounds of wholeness for community and creation.

Do you typically view your work this way? Why or why not?
How can you grow in using your gifts according to the above definition of work?
- How do you use your gifts to help the following types of people flourish?
 - Spouse or friends
 - Children
 - People you work with or who work for you
- Do you hate your work? If yes, Matt gave some possible reasons why. Did any of those reasons resonate with you? Please explain. In light of what Matt said, what might you do to help yourself enjoy your work?
- Here's what we can do: Pray. Persuade. Participate. How can you take steps toward these?