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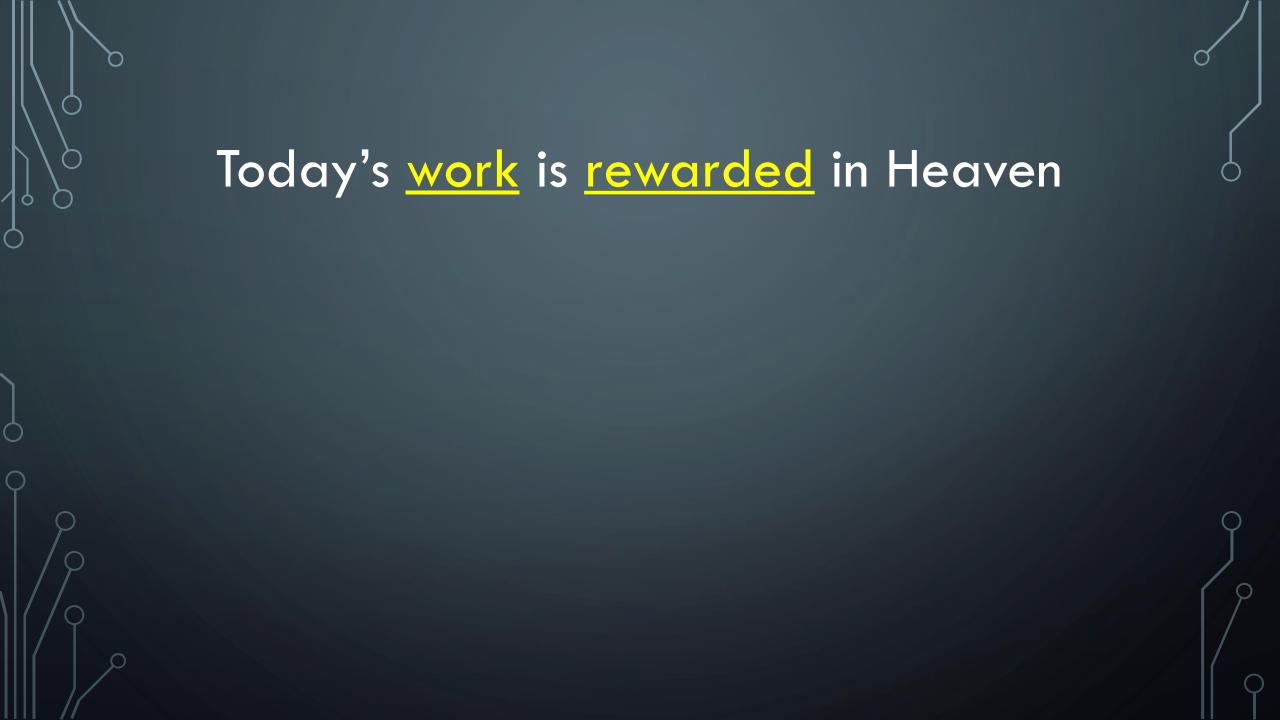
Why do we work?

What went wrong with work?

How does Jesus change the way we work?

HOW DOES WORK TOUCH ETERNITY?

MATTHEW 25



For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money.

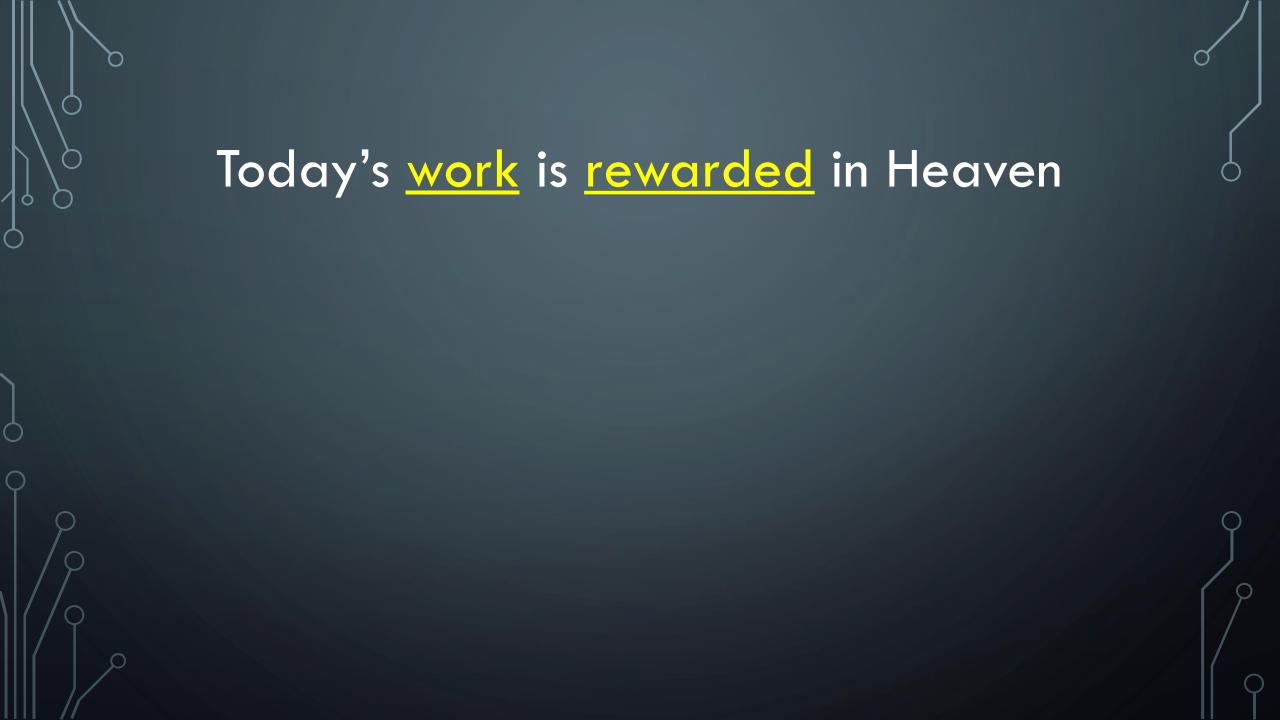
Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, l have made five talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'

And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'

He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.'

But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest.

So, take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'



You will have work to do in Heaven

Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much.

Matthew 25:21

Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much.

Matthew 25:23





Eternity will be a <u>new</u> and <u>improved</u> Earth

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will <u>pass away</u> with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be <u>burned</u> <u>up</u> and <u>dissolved</u>, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

2 Peter 3:10 (ESV)



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But according to his promise we are waiting for <u>new heavens</u> and a <u>new earth</u> in which righteousness dwells.

2 Peter 3:13 (ESV)

Definition-New

Naos = to bring something into existence that did not exist before

Kainos = qualitatively new, <u>refurbished</u>

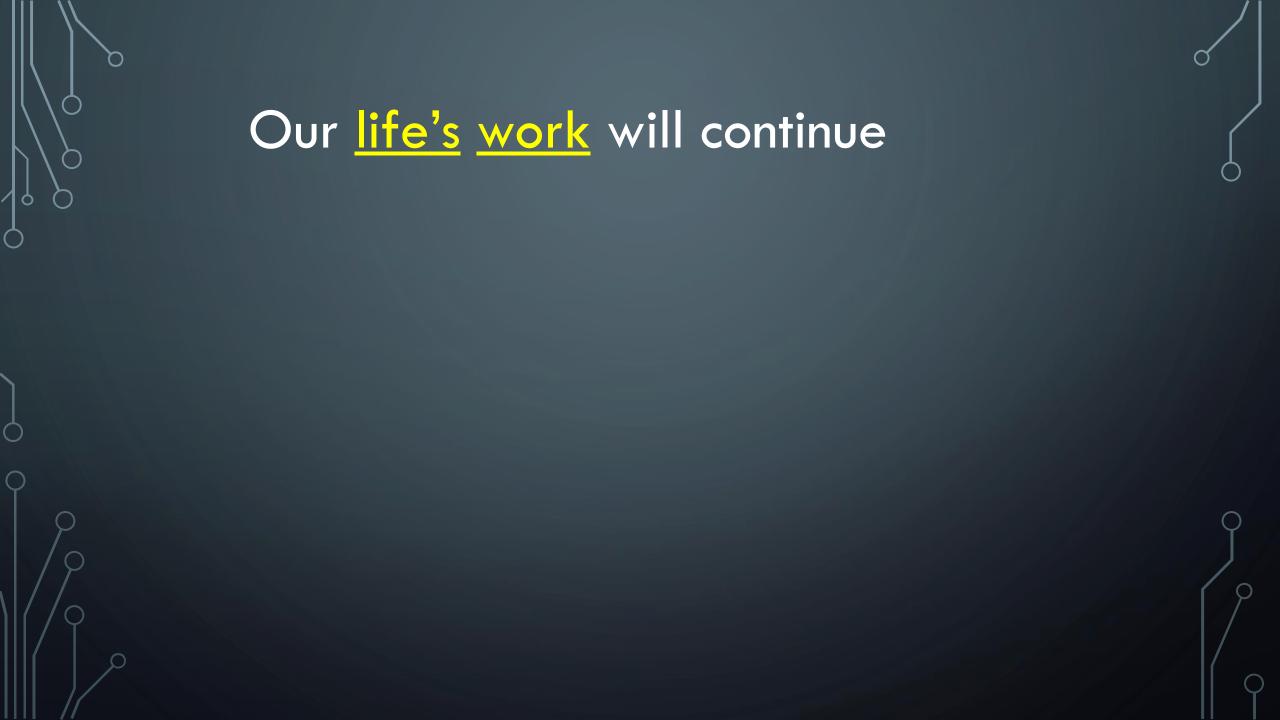






And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things (qualitatively new or refurbished new) new." Revelation 21:5

Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw—each one's work will become evident, for the Day will reveal it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. 1 Corinthians 3:12–15 (ESV)



If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. Philippians 1:22-23 (ESV)

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58 (ESV)

