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What does the  
Bible say  
about  
productivity?

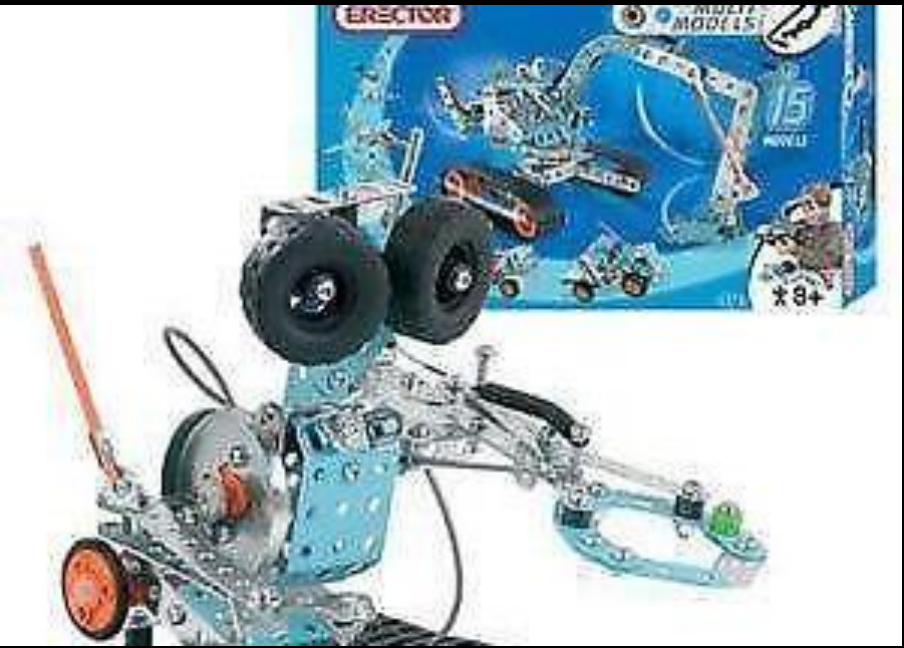


Matthew 5:16

God created you to be productive

...And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

Genesis 1:28 (ESV)



You will give account for your productivity

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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.

Matthew 25:24

For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God;... so then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

Romans 14:10, 12 (ESV)



God wants you to invest  
your time wisely

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Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

Ephesians 5:15–17 (ESV)

God's definition of productivity  
is good works

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Therefore, Productive = Good Works

For we are God's handiwork, created  
in Christ Jesus to do good works,  
which God prepared in advance for  
us to do.

Ephesians 2:8-10



Jesus Christ gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

Titus 2:14

You did not choose me, but I  
chose you and appointed you so  
that you might go and bear fruit—  
fruit that will last...

John 15:16

...but always strive to do what is  
good for each other and for  
everyone else.

1 Thessalonians 5:15

By this my Father is glorified, that  
you bear much fruit and so prove  
to be my disciples.

John 15:8 (ESV)



Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others.

1 Timothy 6:17-18

God wants us to do  
all the good we can,  
by all the means we can,  
in all the ways we can,  
in all the places we can,  
at all the times we can,  
to all the people we can,  
as long as we can.

John Wesley

Good works can happen every day

Let your light shine before  
others, so that they may see  
your good works and give glory  
to your Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

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