

ON PURPOSE

SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

SESSION 2

PURPOSE IN WORK

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PRAY

We suggest you start with this simple prayer.

Heavenly Father, we pray for our time together now. Would you help us see what purpose means in our work. Amen.



ACTIVITY

Think about your dream day. Money is no object! Where will you go, who will you see, what will you be doing? Describe it to someone sitting next to you, or to the entire room.



READ

Read Genesis 2:18–20 and Matthew 28:16–20



WATCH

Watch the session 2 video, available from the *On Purpose* webpage.



DISCUSS

1. This is a repeat of question 5 last week. Think about your day today, and whatever 'work' means for you, paid or unpaid. What felt creative today? What felt like restoration work?
2. One of the first things God does with Adam is put him to work. Why do you think he does this?
3. What might be the biggest differences between work in Eden and our work now?
4. Jesus commands those who follow him to make disciples of all nations. Does that mean spoken evangelism all the time? What else could it look like? Can you call this restoration work?

5. Let's think back to last week, specifically Jeremiah 29:7. Are there any things you may be able to do in your work that will bring peace (restoration) and prosperity (creating) that you hadn't thought of doing before?



PRAY

You'll need someone to lead this.

It's time to pray again. We're going to use our imaginations. In a moment of quiet, shut your eyes, and imagine a situation at work in your head that you want to pray for.

Imagine the situation as it is now. People, faces, workshops, offices, break rooms, to-do lists. If you're not in paid work, think about the tasks you have ahead of you this week.

Now, think about how you want it to be. Does something change? What's happening on people's faces? What are they feeling? No words. Just imagine a picture.

God is seeing and hearing your prayer for your workplace.

To close, say together: *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.*

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