

# God's Goals for Christians at Work

Colossians 3:22 – 4:1

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*Bondservants, obey in everything those  
who are your earthly masters, (v.22a)*

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*not by way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, (v.22b).*

“No man leaves before his time – unless, of course, the boss has gone home early.”

- Groucho Marx

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*You are serving the Lord Jesus Christ. (v.24)*

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C. Do your job with the realization that your work ethic will ultimately be judged by Jesus. (vv.24-25)

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*<sup>24</sup> knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.*

*“No eye has seen, no ear has heard,  
and no mind has imagined  
what God has prepared  
for those who love him.” (1 Cor.2:9)*

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*<sup>25</sup> For the wrongdoer will be paid back for the wrong he has done, and there is no partiality.*

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*Masters, treat your bondservants justly and fairly, (4:1a)*

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*knowing that you also have a Master in heaven. (4:1b)*