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Philippians 2:5-8

The gospel's effectiveness is greatly hindered by Christians who act differently at church than they do elsewhere. The way we live for God should permeate all areas of life. The workplace is no exception.

Our behavior reflects our faith. So if we claim to be Christians, then our coworkers will equate our attitudes and actions with Jesus. Do those around you at the office see a positive reflection of God in your work ethic?

Let's look at a scriptural model for the believer to follow. For one thing, as we read in today's passage, we should view ourselves as servants and be willing to put the needs of others before our own. Next, our true boss is Christ; therefore, we work diligently and with integrity, knowing that our reward is from Him ([Col. 3:23](#)). Then, since all authority on earth is God-given ([Rom. 13:1](#)), we should obey our superiors gladly—unless, of course, our human bosses tell us to do something that goes against Scripture. And finally, all those we work with and for have worth from the Creator, so we should treat them with respect ([1 John 4:7-8](#)).

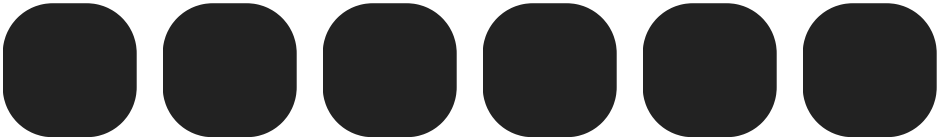
Think about the Golden Rule—Do unto others as you'd have others do unto you—and how it applies here. Putting it a different way, imagine yourself as the boss and ask, *How would I like my employees to work, whether I was watching or not?*

We are to work as though God is our boss. That means doing tasks with joy, a servant attitude, respect for others, diligence, and obedience. Imagine what the workplace could be if all believers approached their jobs this way.

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