

Sermon Notes – August 31, 2014
“Your True Calling”
1 Peter 2:9-12, Colossians 3:22-4:1
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The vocation of every Christian is to follow Jesus and impact their world for him. Work is a key arena in which that vocation is lived out.

1 Peter 2:9-12. List and reflect on what Peter says about 1) what followers of Jesus are, and 2) what this implies about how they are to live.

Colossians 3:22-4:1. Read verse 23 several times slowly. How might a person's application of these words to their daily work change their attitude and/or the way they did their work?

- If you have supervisory responsibilities at work how does the recognition that “you also have a Master in heaven” impact the way you exercise authority?

Reflect on the following observations by Catherine Alsdorf about the impact on a church community when its people begin to seriously apply the Gospel to their work life:

- The church community becomes more outwardly focused.
- Discipleship deepens as people are seeking to follow Christ in the details of life.
- The wider community beyond the church is touched by the Gospel.