

There is Nothing Better Than...

I. I Know That (12-15)

There is nothing is better than...

Everything God does...

II. I Have Seen (16-22)

In the place of justice there is...

That nothing is better than...

The grace of God can be seen in the limitations of life's labors and inequities.

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.*

The topic this week is labor in the midst of the inequities of life.

1. From Genesis 2:5, 15-16 & 3:17-18, what has God revealed to us about our labor?

2. What did God's Law say about a person's labor in Deuteronomy 28:1-6? See also Psalm 128:1-2.

3. What did Paul's exhortation in 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 reveal about his understanding of the place of labor in a person's life?

Is your work something you dread or enjoy? Is it meaningful or meaningless to you? Why?

4. Read Leviticus 19:15, 35-36. What instructions did God give in His Law concerning justice?

5. The pages of Scripture are lined with the injustices of man. Read Jeremiah 22:13-17 and Luke 23:20-25 for two examples.

Are you, or someone close to you, experiencing an injustice? How does God want His people to respond? What Scripture can you point to in support of this response?

6. Solomon questioned the profit in a person's work (Ecclesiastes 3:9) in the context of the inequities of life. What were His conclusions? (Ecclesiastes 3:12-13, 22)

Is the outlook he proposes your normal experience? Why or why not? How does knowing Christ help?

7. What is the main application of this study, and/or the sermon and its passages, for you?