

God's Co-Workers in Renewal

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John Mark Comer, in his book *Garden City: Work Rest and the Art of Being Human*, asks readers, “Do you see your work as an essential part of your discipleship to Jesus and as the primary way that you join him in his work of renewal?”

He goes on to say, “If not, you should.” Work is the mission field in which we have been planted to hone our skills of work, but also as disciples of Jesus.

1 Corinthians 3:9 says, “*For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building.*”

Whether you're a farmer sowing or a production supervisor managing, or an executive casting vision, you are God's co-worker bringing renewal to systems, harvesting, mentoring, managing. Whatever your vocation, you are indeed God's co-worker.

Prayer...

Gracious God, your love is steadfast, unfailing, and faithful. Your love is always there for me, in good times and bad. Your love never lets me go.

Your love reaches to the skies. It is as vast as the heavens, immeasurable, immense, boundless.

Your love protects me, covering me as a mother hen covers her chicks, guarding them from harm, keeping them safe.

Your love is precious to me, A priceless treasure to be cherished. Yet you give it freely because you are Love.

As I go about my work today, Lord, may your love go before me, may it surround me and support me. May your love fill me, so that I might share it with others, with my colleagues and customers, with my neighbors and friends, and even with those who believe they're my enemies.

Thank you for loving me through Jesus Christ, whose love claims me, transforms me, inspires me, and fills me.

Amen.