

Work, Prayer, Celebration

WORK	PRAYER	CELEBRATION
Gen 1:28-31	Lk. 4:42	1 Chron 15: 16-29
3:16-19	6:12	Exodus 15: 1-21
9: 1-7	9:18; 28	32:5-8
Ecc 2:4-3:15	11:1-4	Lev 23:1-44
Ecc 4:4	Mt 6:5-15	Det 16:1-17
Exo 1:11-14	Mt 4:1-11	Jer 16:8-9
20: 8-10	Mk 1:12-13	Est 9:20-22
Mt 9: 36-38	Lk 4: 1-13	Ecc 2: 1-3
Mk 6: 30-34	Mt 26: 36-46	Rom 1: 24-32
Jn 17:4	Mk 14: 32-42	Jn 2: 1-11
13: 1-20	Lk 22: 39-46	Lk 15: 11-32
	10: 38-42	Lk 14: 15-24
1Thess 4:11		
2Thess 3:10		

WORK

- ✦ How much control do I have over the amount of time I spend working, praying, celebrating? Why
- ✦ If I had the choice to pray or work or celebrate, what would I choose to do first? What second? What last? Why?
- ✦ Do I normally work first and then take time to play or like my play time first then work? Why?
- ✦ Why do I work? What do I get out of my work? What would I like to get? What do I enjoy about the work I do now? Why?
- ✦ How many hours do I work a day? Why do I work these hours? How many hours would I like to work in a day?
- ✦ What do I find the hardest thing about work in general? What is the hardest thing about my work that I am doing now? How do I feel when it appears to me that I have too much work to do? How do I feel when my work is interrupted?
- ✦ How do I serve the secular world apart from my work in an apostolate? Would I rather be doing something else? Why? Do I like or dislike the work I do? Why?
- ✦ Am I mostly joyful in my work? Why or why not? How many times has my work become a joy? Why? What were the circumstances?
- ✦ What is my attitude when I am given work that I really do not like doing? What is the

quality of my work in this situation? Why?

✦Who can help me with my work? How do I feel when I ask others to help me with my work? How do I feel when they refuse?

✦How do I feel when it appears I have too much time on my hands? Do I like to keep busy? Why or why not?

✦How often do I have to work on Sundays? Why? What work do I do on Sundays? Why? Do I take a day off other than Sunday? Why or why not?

✦How much vacation time do I take? What do I normally do on my vacation?

✦Do I look forward to retirement? Why do I want or not want to retire? What do I want to do when I retire? How do I experience my retirement (if you are already retired)?

PRAYER

✦How much time during the day do I pray? If there was no limit on the time I had for prayer, how long would I spend in prayer? Why?

✦Do I have a regular schedule of prayer? Do I keep to this schedule? Why or why not?

✦Am I often late for my prayer time? Why? What am I doing that makes me late? Can this be corrected? How?

✦How do I feel when my prayer time is interrupted? What usually interrupts my prayer time? How often does this happen? Why do I allow it to happen?

✦How important is prayer for me? How do I show this importance? Do I really like to pray? Why or why not?

✦Would I rather work than pray? Why? Would I rather play than pray? Why?

✦How do I personally show that my prayer life is more important than my work life and my leisure time?

✦When I am in a good mood, do I want to pray? Why or why not?

✦Under what circumstances do I really feel the need to pray? How often does this happen to me in my secular life?

✦When was the last time my prayer was truly a moment of celebration for me?

CELEBRATION

- ✦ What do I normally do in my spare time? What do I do to relax? How much time does it take me to relax? How much spare time do I have?
- ✦ Do I have too little time for regular celebration in my life other than the sacraments? Why or why not?
- ✦ Am I happy in my life? Why or why not? How do I manifest this happiness to others? What do I believe would make me happy?
- ✦ What do I enjoy doing the most? How often do I have the opportunity to celebrate in my life? Why?
- ✦ What do I do to show God that I appreciate what He has given me?
- ✦ What events in my life have led me to celebrate? When was the last time I really celebrated? What was the occasion? What really makes an event a celebration for me? How do I remember God when I celebrate? How does the way I celebrate give thanks to God?
- ✦ How many celebrations do I have the opportunity to experience in a year? How many do I choose to accept? Why? Why do I refuse to participate in a celebration?
- ✦ Why do I go to Mass? How do I normally feel during Mass? Why? What makes Mass a real celebration for me?
- ✦ Do I see the sacraments as opportunities to celebrate? Why or why not? How do I celebrate the sacraments? When was the last time I really celebrated a sacrament? What were the circumstances?