

show your work

integrating our faith & work

SHOW YOUR
WORK

Work defined for this series:

Whatever role or responsibility that you have right now in life.

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 NIV

6 In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you, brothers and sisters, to keep away from every believer who is idle and disruptive and does not live according to the teaching you received from us. 7 For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, 8 nor did we eat anyone's food without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, laboring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. 9 We did"

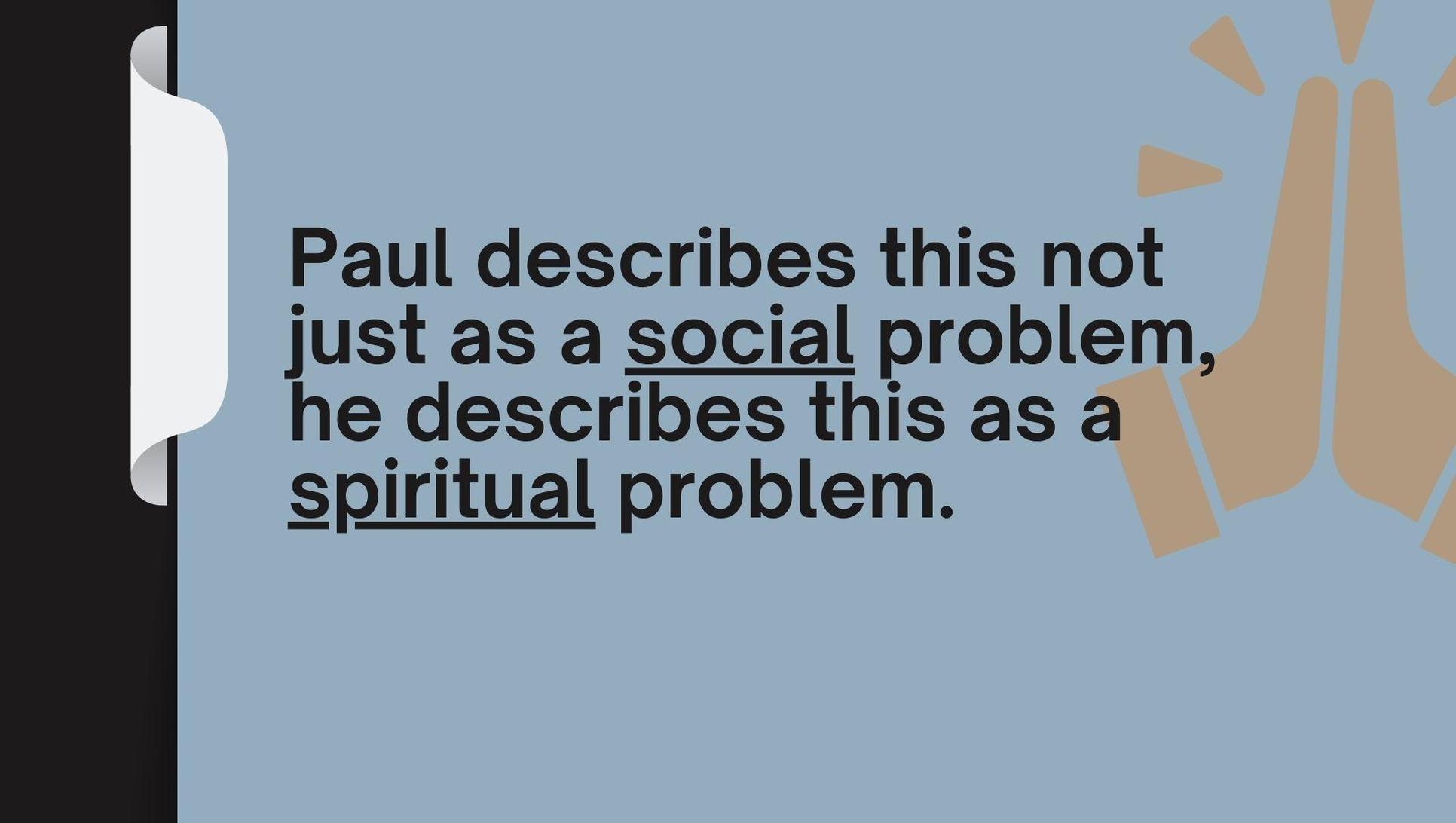
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this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you to imitate. 10 For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: “The one who is unwilling to work shall not eat.”

11 We hear that some among you are idle and disruptive. They are not busy; they are busybodies. 12 Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the food they eat. 13 And as for you, brothers and sisters, never tire of doing what is good.

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The word idle means undisciplined, lazy and inactive. When used in the original Greek, it could speak of a soldier who had left their ranks and stepped away from the important job they had been given to do.

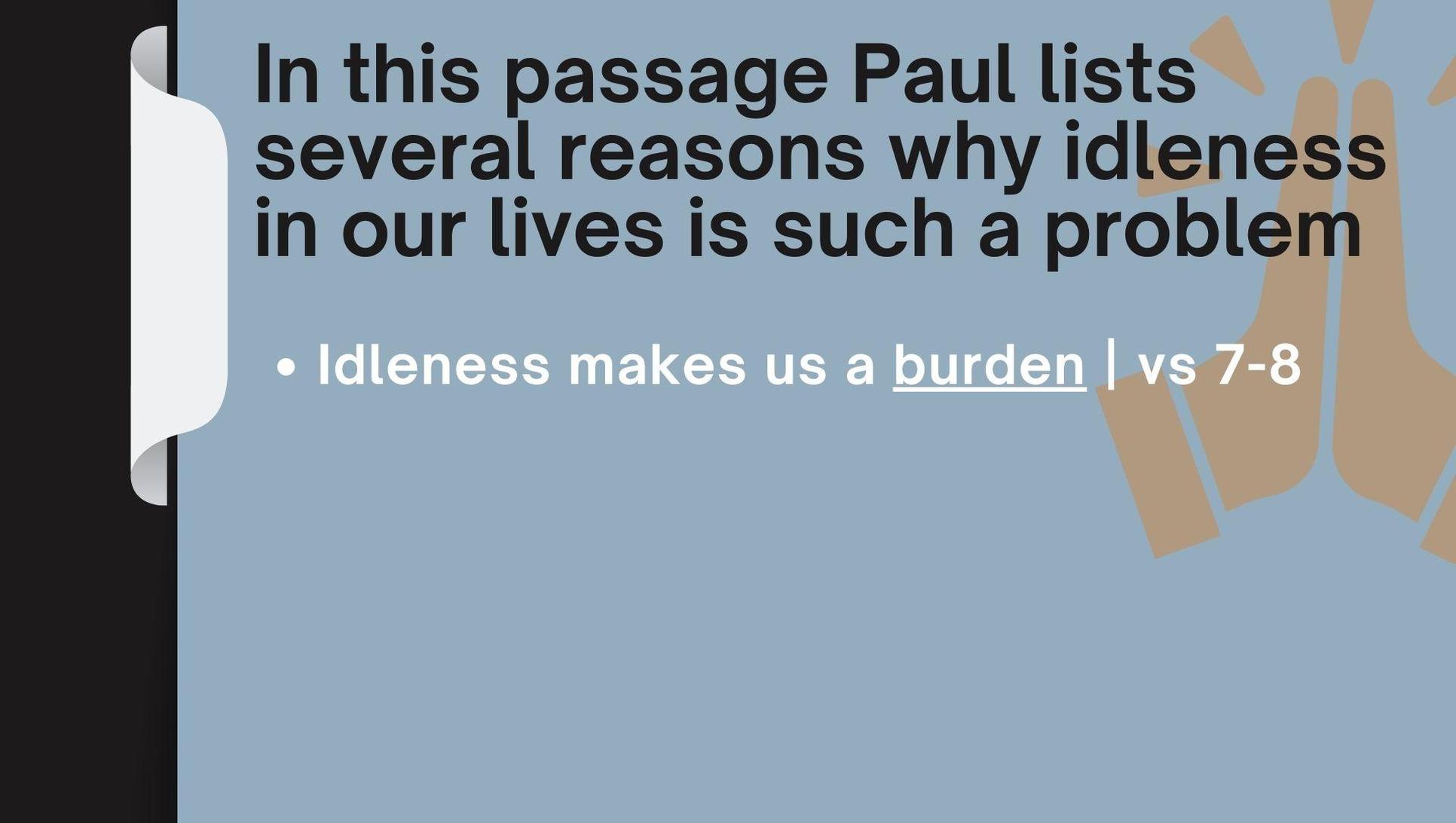


Paul describes this not just as a social problem, he describes this as a spiritual problem.

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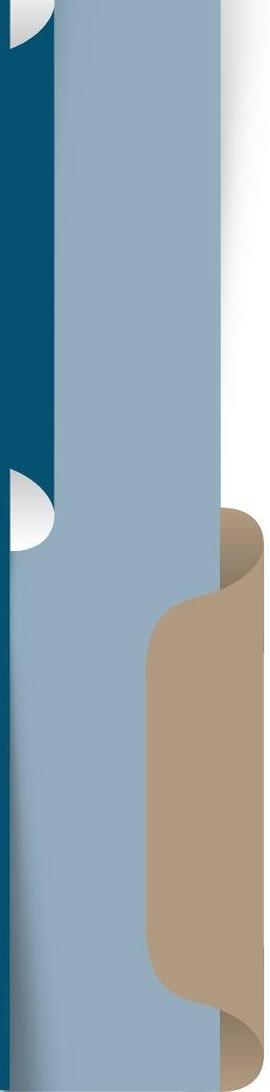


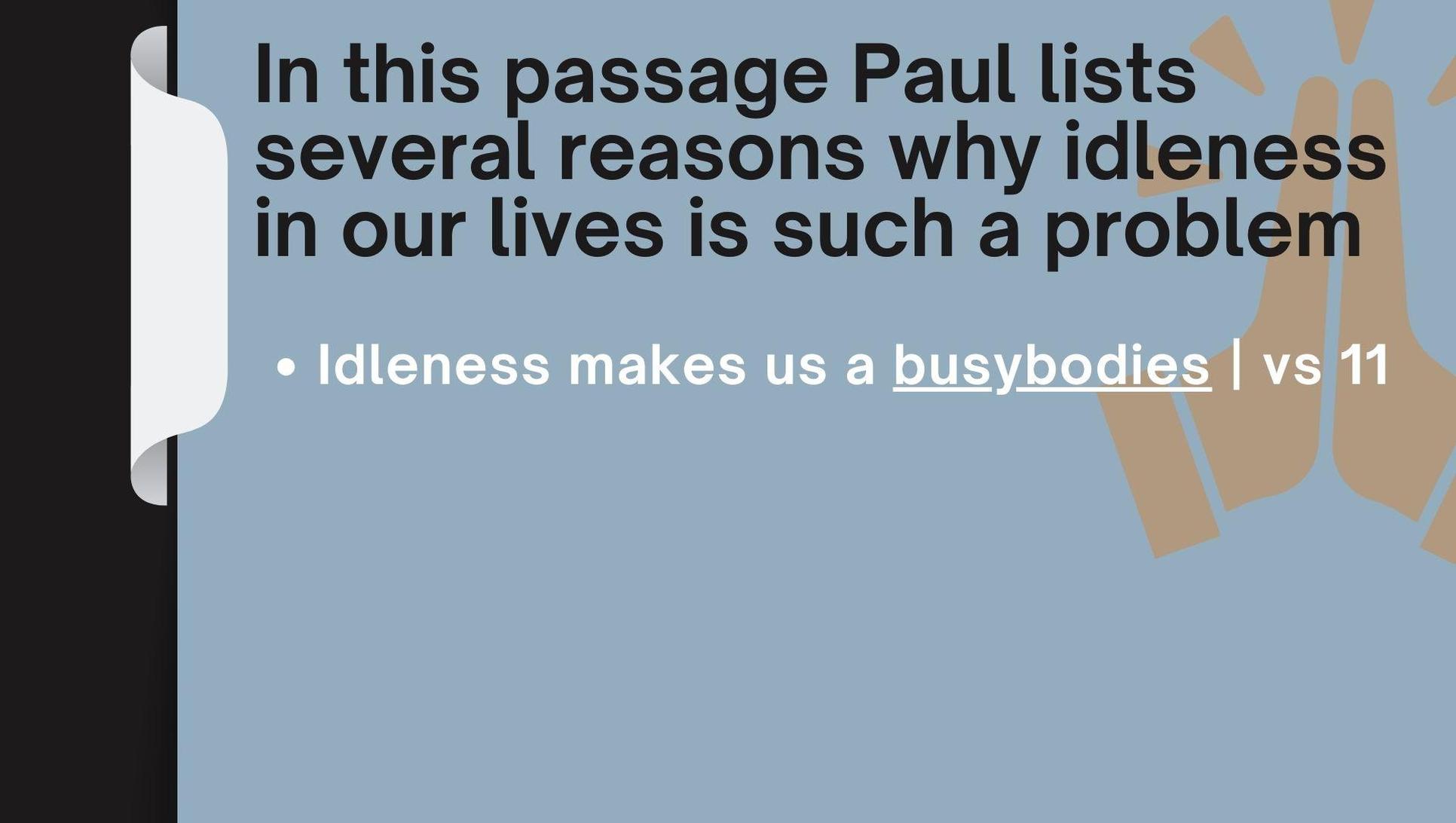
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- Idleness makes us a burden | vs 7-8



When you and I care for
someone who would work
but can't that is called a
blessing. But to carry
someone who should work
but doesn't that is a burden.





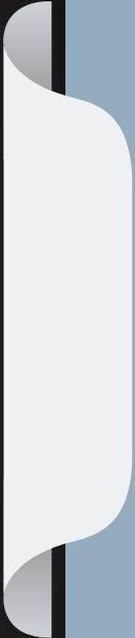
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- Idleness makes us a busybodies | vs 11

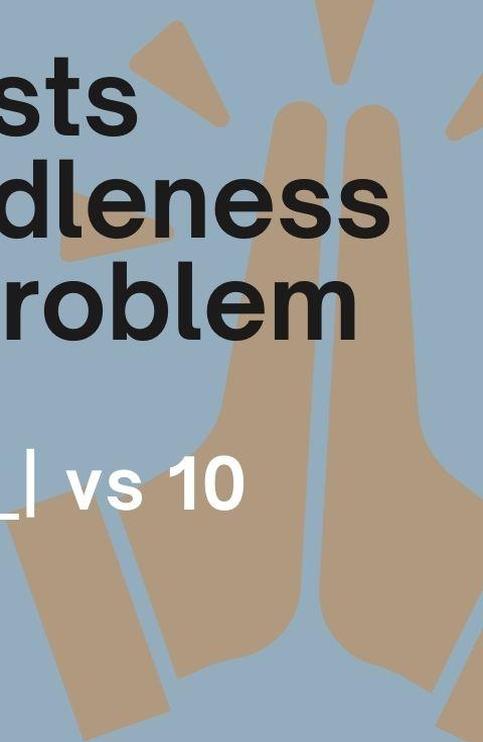


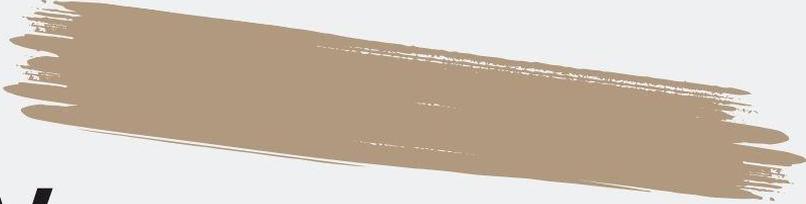
1 Timothy 5:13 NIV

13 Besides, they get into the habit of being idle and going about from house to house. And not only do they become idlers, but also busybodies who talk nonsense, saying things they ought not to.



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- Idleness makes us bankrupt | vs 10
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Proverbs 6:10-11 NIV

10 A little sleep, a little slumber,
a little folding of the hands to rest—
11 and poverty will come on you like a
thief and scarcity like an armed man.

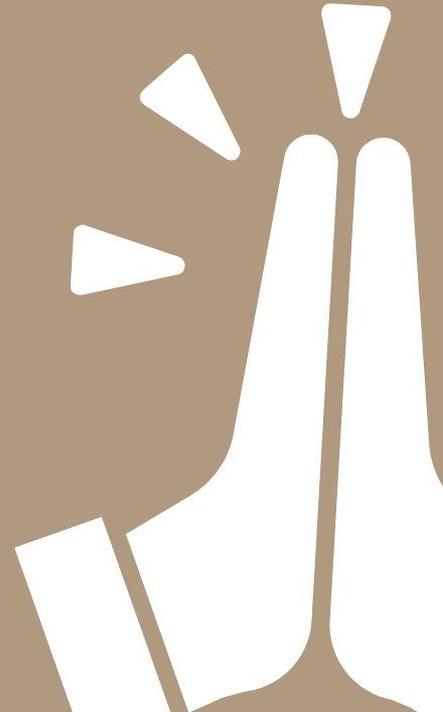
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**God has given all
of us a work to do
for provision.**



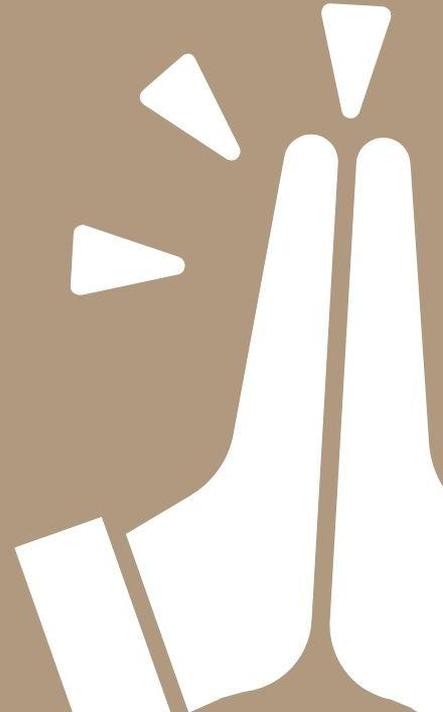
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**Two ways that our
work provides:**



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- My work provides for me and my family.



Genesis 2:15-16a NIV

15 The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden;”

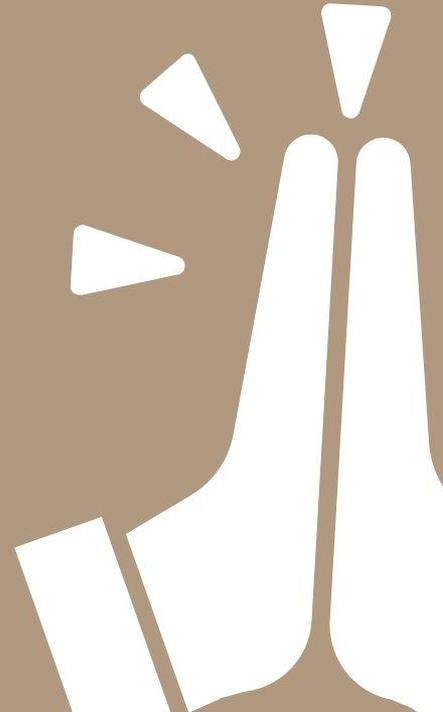


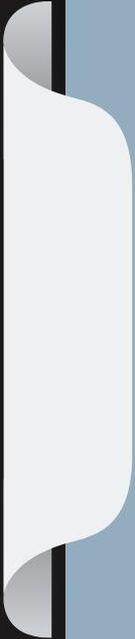
1 Timothy 5:8 NIV

Anyone who does not provide for their relatives, and especially for their own household, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

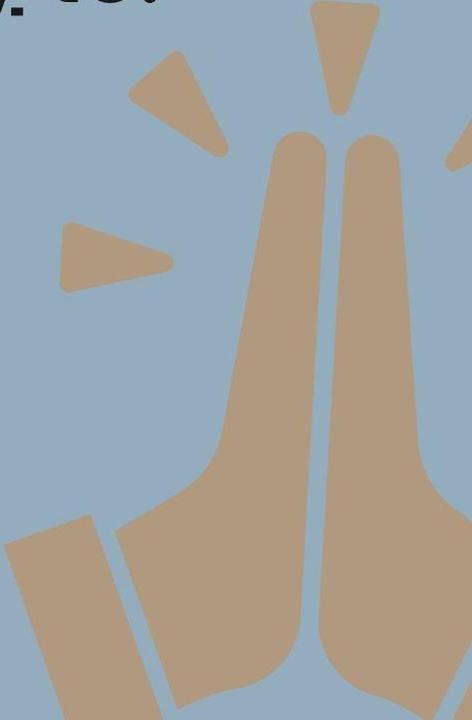
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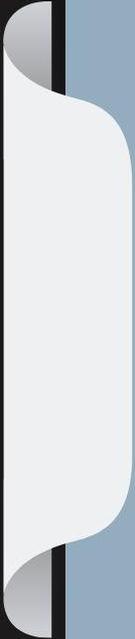
- My work provides for others.





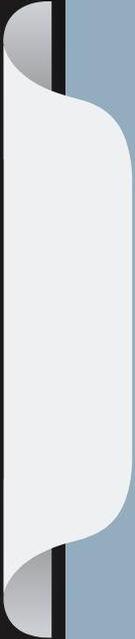
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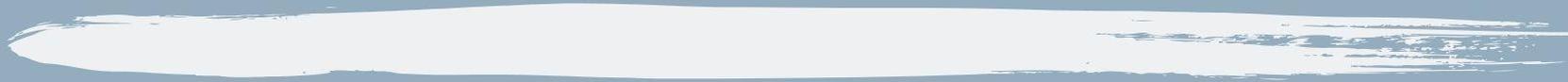
- Those who are in need.
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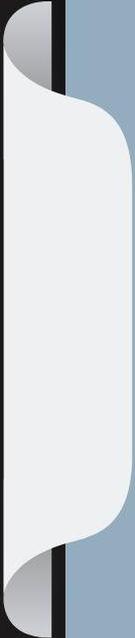
Acts 2:44-45 NIV

All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.

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There is a blessing of give
and take in Biblical
community.





There were three groups of people that the statement no work, no food didn't apply to:

- Those who are in ministry.
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1 Corinthians 9:11 NIV

If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you?

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makes possible the
work of the Lord here
and literality around
the world to people
you will not know or
meet until eternity.

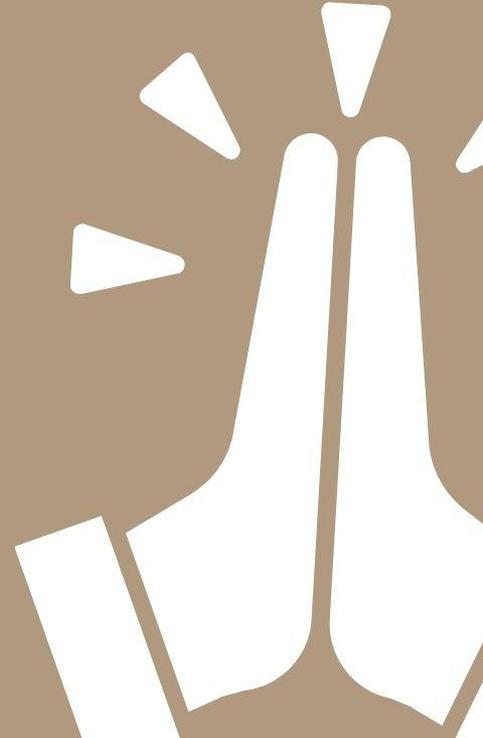


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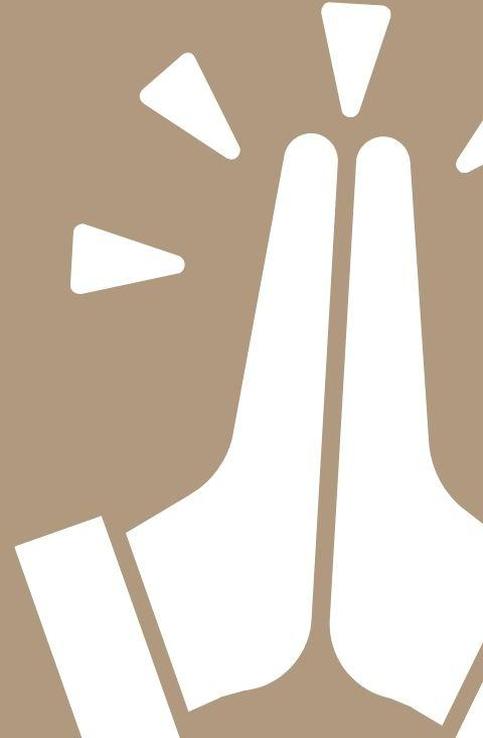
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Someone with gospel vision sees Jesus as the highest and great treasure of life. So, they are joyfully willing to give their treasures so others can know Him.



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Someone with gospel compassion sees the broken, fallen world we live in and realizes the best way to show compassion is to introduce people to Jesus.

