

# YOUR WOKING HOURS

24: A Day with God -- Part 2

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**Problem: A compartmentalized faith**

## **Live it! FAITH IN ACTION**

"Yes, the way to identify a tree or a person is by the kind of fruit that is produced"  
Matthew 7:20 (NLT)

I pray that you will be strengthened with His glorious power so that you will have all the patience and endurance you need. May you be filled with joy . . . Colossians 1:11

### **Key to 24-living: Recognize when I usually set "it" (faith) down**

Examine yourselves to see if your faith is genuine. Test yourselves. Surely you know that Jesus Christ is among you; if not, you have failed the test of genuine faith  
2 Corinthians 13:5 (NLT)

#### **Times You're At Risk:**

- **When your integrity is tested.**

I know, my God, that You examine our hearts and rejoice when You find integrity there. 1 Chronicles 29:17 (NLT).

The Lord detests people with crooked hearts, but he delights in those with integrity  
Proverbs 11:20 (NLT)

- **When money is involved.**

For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows. 1 Timothy 6:10 (NLT)

Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless to think that wealth brings true happiness! Ecclesiastes 5:10 (NLT)

- **When your pace is rushed.**

In the morning, O LORD, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation. Psalm 5:2

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; do not fret when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes. Psalm 37:7

Let all that I am wait quietly before God, for my hope is in him. Psalm 62:5 (NLT)

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I put my hope. Psalm 130:5

But, you must return to your God; maintain love and justice, and wait for your God always. Hosea 12:6

- **When your position is compromised**

I saw some naive young men, and one in particular who lacked common sense. He was crossing the street near the house of an immoral woman, strolling down the path by her house. It was at twilight, in the evening, as deep darkness fell. Proverbs 7:7-9

Do not envy wicked men; do not desire their company. Proverbs 24:1

Do not follow the crowd in doing wrong. Exodus 23:2

## **Share it! EXPRESSION OF FAITH**

*"Make your light shine, so that others will see the good that you do and will praise your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16 CEV*

- Be accurate  
Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15
- Be authentic  
The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love Galatians 5:6
- Be attentive not argumentative
- Be available

And now the word of the Lord is ringing out from you to people everywhere . . . for wherever we go, we find people telling us about your faith in God. We don't need to tell them about it. 1 Thessalonians 1:8 (NLT)