



11 Resolutions for the Christian Laborer

1. I will do my job for Jesus (“as to the Lord”; Col. 3:23).
2. I will perform my work at the quality level I would produce if Jesus were my boss (Col. 3:23–25).
3. I will commit to do all I do “in the name of Jesus,” i.e., as a representative of Jesus, with thankfulness (Col. 3:17).
4. I will consciously seek his help to do the best that I can do (John 15:5).
5. I will remind myself regularly that God is going to reward me for how I perform my job (Col. 3:24–25).
6. I will ask God to help me be salt (Mt. 5:13), light (Mt. 5:14–16), a discipler (Mt. 28:18–20), and a reprover of evil (Eph. 5:11–12) through my life and my words as I work.
7. I will choose to believe that God has me here for eternal purposes: both my good and the good of others (Rom. 8:28–29), that God is sovereign over my boss(es), and that God can open or close any door of opportunity He desires (Psa. 75:6–7).
8. I will choose to be content by remembering that meaning and satisfaction are not found in any of life’s components but only in life’s Creator (Eccl. 2:24; 5:18); choosing to be thankful each morning that I have this job and this opportunity to serve Christ (Col. 3:17); rejecting any temptation to compare myself with others (2 Cor. 10:12). This leads to envy and discontent.
9. I will ask God to open any doors of opportunities He wants me to walk through (2 Cor. 2:12).
10. I will ask God to help me have a cheerful, excellent spirit as I stay where He has placed me (Deut. 28:47; Dan. 6:3).
11. I will view my earnings as God-given to provide for my family (1 Thess. 4:11; 2 Thess. 3:12; 1 Tim. 5:8), to support the church (1 Cor. 16:2; Rom. 12:13; 2 Cor. 9:7), and to enable me to give to those who have need (Eph. 4:28).

