

TGIM: Wrestling with Wednesday

Darcy Siggelkow

Question: With your first job, what was the greatest life-lesson you learned?

**There is an echo in our heart to engage in
God's creative work in the world.**

Pete Scazzero

**Work is as much a basic human need as food, beauty,
rest, friendship, prayer, and sexuality; it is not simply
medicine, but food for the soul.**

Tim Keller

Questions: Does your experience and view of work agree or disagree with these statements? Why or why not?

Read Genesis 1:28

Question: What does it mean for this to be the “Cultural Mandate”?

- Filling the earth is more about civilization than population.
- God created our world with potential and gave humanity the ability to unlock that potential.

Questions: What shifts in your thinking when you realize that God intentionally created the world “empty” and with “potential”? What are some things that would be included in the idea of “community building”?

It may be easy to forget, but we are human beings before we became Christians, and we don't stop being human beings when we do become Christians. And God will hold us accountable for our humanity as much as for our Christianity.

Christopher J.H. Wright

Question: What do the words from Genesis 1:28 – “Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over...” mean?

We are to take care of God's good earth in the same way that God would if He did it Himself.

Read Genesis 2:15

- to watch = to keep safe
- to tend = to serve

Read Mark 10:45

Questions: How do you and can you serve others through your work? How will you "create and care" through what you do tomorrow?