



Faith, Work & Economics
A Helper For What?



A Story Of Pastoral Malpractice



*Narrowing The Sunday To
Monday Gap*

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- What Steps Have We Taken?
- What Steps Are We Taking Now?



*What Steps Have We
Taken?*

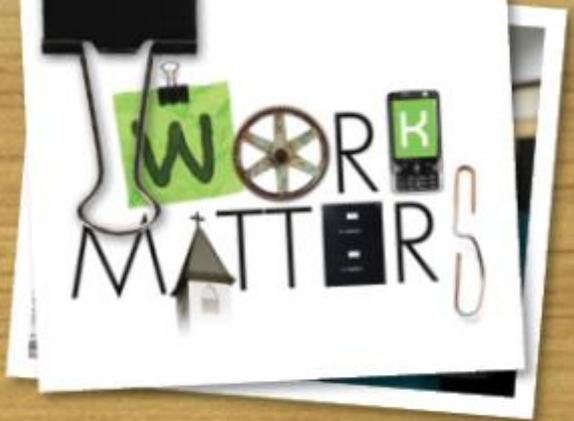
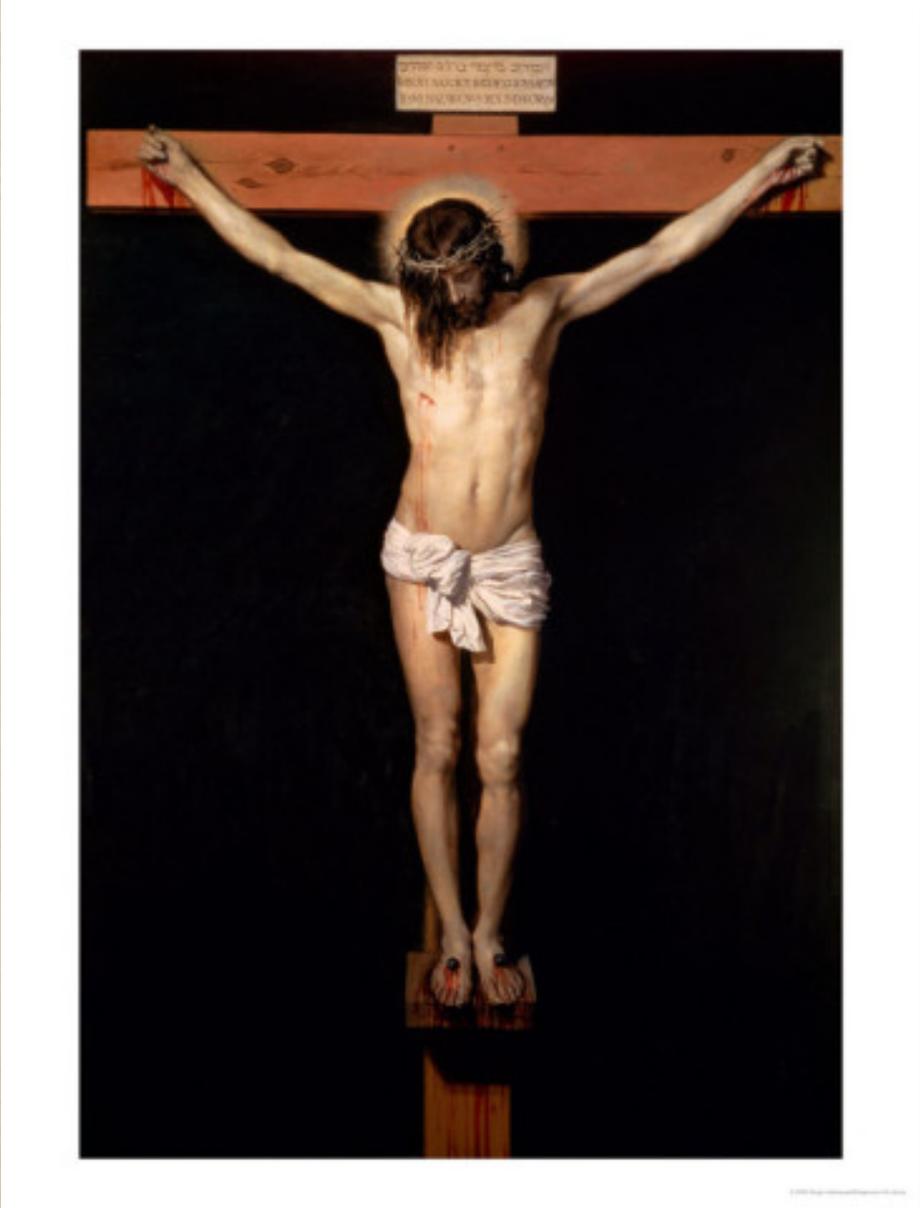


*A Robust Theology That
Informs Work*

*“Work is not primarily a thing
one does to live, but the
thing one lives to do.”*

-Dorothy Sayers









*A Liturgical Regularity That
Affirms Work*



*A Relational Investment
That Applauds Work*



*What Steps Are We
Taking Now?*



*Connecting Faith, Work
And Economics*

Economists (Roger Conover)

- **The First Law of Economics:**
 - For every economist, there exists an equal and opposite economist.
- **The Second Law of Economics:**
 - They're both wrong.

Economic Journalism

- The First Law of Economic Journalism:
 - For every news or talk show perspective, there exists an equal and opposite perspective.
- The Second Law of Economic Journalism:
 - They're both *REALLY* wrong.



ECONOMICS

THE SCIENCE OF EXPLAINING TOMORROW WHY THE PREDICTIONS
YOU MADE YESTERDAY DIDN'T COME TRUE TODAY.





“If all the economists were laid end to end, they’d never reach a conclusion.”

(George Bernard Shaw)

“Economics is the study of the use of scarce resources which have alternative uses.”

(Lionel Robbins, Thomas Sowell)





“Economics is that practical and moral scientific study of the one aspect or dimension of human behavior that involves stewardly exchanging, by free moral agents, scarce things of value for the sake of profit.”

(Economic Shalom, John Bolt)



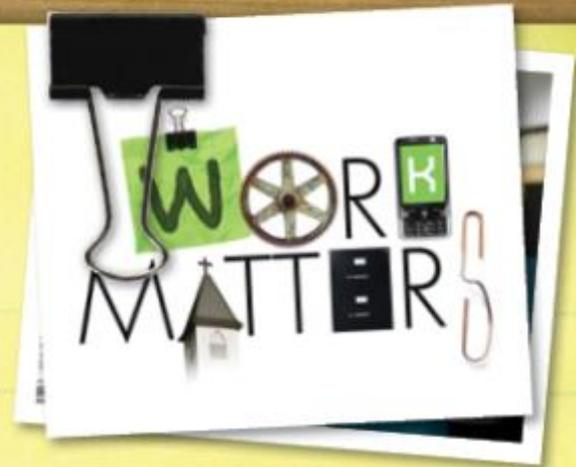
*Moving From Merely
Individual Contribution To
Mutual Cooperation*



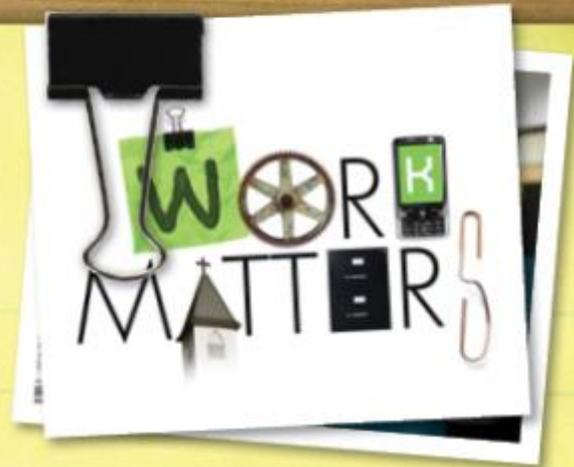
*A Robust Theology That
Speaks To Economic
Flourishing*

Human Flourishing

- Vocational Contribution: *We were created with work in mind.*
- Economic Cooperation: *We were created with community in mind.*
- Common Grace for the Common good: *Adding value to others through our work*



*A Pastoral Competency That
Enhances Human Flourishing*



*A Missional Adjustment Aimed At
Nurturing Compassion, Enhancing
Capacity and Promoting Wise
Generosity.*



*Some Specific Initiatives
At Christ Community*