



**USE THESE QUESTIONS AND RESOURCES TO HELP YOU PROCESS THE MESSAGE DURING YOUR STUDY TIME OR WITH YOUR GROUP.**

**Message Recap:** Achievement: this is where most of us begin our To-Do List - and where most of us start - leading us to a Cycle of Works mentality rather than a Cycle of Grace. We prioritize and build our lives around what we can accomplish and achieve. Busyness is worn like a badge of honor. Yet, our pursuit of productivity and efficiency doesn't seem to save us time or energy - we are still burnt out and exhausted because even though we are designed to be fruitful and work, fruitfulness is not the same as productivity.

» **Main Points**

- [The Cycle of Grace](#) - Trevor Hudson and Jerry P. Haas
- [With](#) - Skye Jethani
- Passion - What makes you come alive?
- Talent - What are you good at?
- Need - What is the need?

» **Getting Started**

- What would you consider to be one of your greatest achievements? What makes it great?

» **Observation**

- Read and reflect on [Genesis 1:1,26-28: John 15:4-11: Psalm 46:1,10: Ephesians 3:20](#)
- What are your initial reactions to these passages? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses?

 **reachout**

- Where are the places in your life where passion, talent, and need intersect? How can you lean into those spaces this week?

 **growdeep**

- When you consider the four postures we try to relate to God - Work Under God, Work Over God, Work From God, Work With God - which one do you think you are most prone to? Explain why that is. To learn more about these postures, check out this [RightNow Media series](#). Get your [free RightNow Media account here](#).
- Consider the following questions to help you discover the blessing of Work With God: **1** - What makes you come alive (passion)? **2** - What are you good at (talent)? **3** - What is the need (need)?
- Brainstorm some ideas for different opportunities you have to work with God.

 **partner  
with families**

- As a family, discuss the differences between working *for* God (striving to earn God's favor) and working *with* God (partnering with the work God is doing and wants you to be a part of). Think about different ways your family can work with God and make a plan to start soon.

» **Next Steps and Prayer**

- Over the past few weeks, we have looked at the Cycle of Grace - [Acceptance](#) → [Sustenance](#) → [Significance](#) → [Achievement](#). Reevaluate where you are right now, and take a next step to receive what God has for you in that part of the cycle.
- Close by praying this prayer: God, I am tired of working for you and want to work with you. Help me to understand my passion, talent better, and need so I can experience the blessing of working with you.