

Can People Really Change? "Career"- Jim Burgen

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Community:

1. What is your current job? What do you like the most (and least) about your job?
2. Who are some of the people you most often interact with at work or school? Are they a major factor in your outlook and attitude there?

Core:

1. **Read John 3:16-17.** Who are the people in your world and what are the responsibilities that you've been entrusted with? How does your faith or understanding of God influence how you see and interact with the different parts of your world?
2. Do you experience God's presence in your job or do you see your faith as separate from it? Why do you think that is? What do you think God desires for you at your workplace?
3. Jim talked a lot about the difference between your *occupation* (job) and your *vocation* (mission/calling). Do you see your *vocation* (mission) being lived out in your *occupation* (job)? If you consider yourself a Christian, how does Jesus living within you change or influence how you live out your life at work or at school?
4. What area of your life do you feel like God has caused you to wrestle with the most throughout this series on change? What is the change that you want to see? What do you think it will take to get there?
5. What is your **vision** and **intent** and **strategy** towards that change? Do you feel motivated or fearful about changing, and why?

Challenge:

This week, look through these areas of your life and pick the ones that stick out to you the most in terms of where you want to see change: (1) **Family Relationships** (2) **Physical Activities, Habits, Addictions** (3) **Social Influence** (4) **Thinking/Mind** (5) **Financial** (6) **Spiritually (Religion/Friendship)** (7) **Career (Occupation/Mission)**

Then, spend some time praying and asking God for the strength and courage to bring about this change, starting first with: (1) Where you need to experience the **Grace** that forgives (2) Where you need to experience the **Grace** that spiritually empowers you (3) Your **vision** for what your life could look like if you actually experienced that change (4) Your **intent** towards seeing that change (5) Your **strategy** for doing something new and different in order to see the change that you desire to see with Jesus moving in your life.