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Transcript (0:04 - 5:45)

Summary of "Labor: Created to Create" – Tour 11 by Dr. Del Tackett

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On June 25, 2025, Scott led a class discussion on Lesson 11 of The Truth Project, titled "Labor: Created to Create," presented by Dr. Del Tackett. This session reframes labor as a divine calling rooted in God's creative nature, challenging cultural views that often see work as a burden. Below is a detailed summary of the transcript, organized by sections with timestamps, capturing the key points and biblical principles discussed.

(0:04 - 2:42) Introduction to Labor as a Divine Calling

Dr. Del Tackett introduces Lesson 11 by emphasizing labor as a sacred act, countering the societal narrative that views work as a "necessary evil." He grounds this perspective in Genesis 1:1–2:3, where God is depicted as the original worker, creating the world with intentionality and joy. Humans, made in God's image (Genesis 2:15), are designed to reflect His creativity by tending and enhancing His creation. Tackett argues that labor is not a curse but a joyful privilege, a divine calling to participate in God's creative work.

Tackett critiques the "TGIF mindset" (Thank God It's Friday), which reflects disdain for work, attributing this attitude to Satan's distortion of God's design in the ongoing cosmic battle. He positions labor as the "engine room of culture," generating wealth to meet physical needs and address poverty through job creation rather than mere charity (Proverbs 14:31). For Christians, labor becomes an act of worship, aligning their efforts with God's glory. Tackett introduces seven biblical economic principles to guide this perspective. The principles include: all things belong to God (Psalm 24:1), humans are stewards with ownership rights (Ephesians 6:5-9), and theft and coveting are wrong (Exodus 20:15, 17).

(2:42 - 3:51) Biblical Economic Principles and the Role of Arts

The discussion continues with the remaining four biblical economic principles: skills come from God (Exodus 35:30-35), work is good while laziness is not (Proverbs 10:4), love God over possessions (Matthew 6:24), and be generous to the poor (Deuteronomy 15:7-11). These principles provide a framework for employers and employees to manage resources with integrity and compassion, reflecting God's character in their work.

A significant portion of this section focuses on arts and media, which Tackett sees as powerful tools for shaping culture. He cites Dr. Francis Schaeffer's quote, "Whoever controls the medium controls the culture," urging Christians to create art that aligns with God's standards of truth, beauty, and goodness (Psalm 101:3). This creative labor, done for *solī Deo gloria* (God's glory alone), counters secular narratives and inspires believers to influence culture through their work. This call to purposeful creativity underscores the broader theme of labor as a means to glorify God.

(3:52 - 4:51) Reframing Work as a Reflection of God's Image

Tackett concludes the lesson by inviting believers to rethink work as a reflection of God's image, a tool for stewarding His resources, and a platform for serving others. By viewing labor as a divine gift, Christians can transform their workplaces, communities, and broader culture for God's glory. He poses a reflective question: "How might you view your daily work differently through this biblical lens?" This challenges participants to shift their perspective from seeing work as drudgery to embracing it as a meaningful calling.

Scott highlights Tackett's metaphor of labor as "God letting us play in His sandbox," emphasizing that everything belongs to God, and humans are stewards of His creation. This imagery reinforces the idea that labor is a privilege, not a burden, as it allows believers to engage creatively with God's resources.

(4:52 - 5:45) Stewardship and the Source of Wealth

In the final segment, Scott elaborates on the concept of stewardship, echoing Tackett's point that humans are entrusted to use God's resources creatively. He emphasizes that labor is not an obligation but an opportunity to "get to" create and make things, aligning with God's design. Scott underscores that wealth stems from human effort and labor, not from government intervention, reinforcing the biblical view that work generates the resources needed to sustain society and address needs like poverty.

The session concludes with Scott announcing that the class will revisit the seven biblical economic principles next week to ensure a thorough understanding. He closes with a call to prayer, emphasizing the importance of applying these principles in daily life.

Conclusion

The "Labor: Created to Create" lesson challenges Christians to reframe their understanding of work as a divine privilege rooted in God's creative nature. Through biblical principles, Tackett dismantles negative cultural views of labor, presenting it as an act of worship, stewardship, and cultural influence. Scott's facilitation highlights key metaphors like "playing in God's sandbox" and emphasizes labor's role in generating wealth and serving others. This session encourages believers to approach their daily work with purpose, aligning their efforts with God's glory and transforming their perspective on labor's significance.