## A PRAYER FOR MY WORK AS A MERE CHRISTIAN

Father God, thank You for the sacred calling You've placed on my life to glorify You through the work of my hands.



Thank you for inviting me, like **FRED ROGERS**, to join Your royal priesthood and shine Your light in my workplace. Lead me to rest in the belovedness I have in You and to work at a pace that allows me to extend that love to others.

Teach me, like **FANNIE LOU HAMER**, to do justice without hating the unjust. Show me how to navigate the tension between the call to trust and the call to hustle to do my best work for Your glory. When I experience failure and setbacks in my work, remind me that You are working all things out for Your kingdom and that work done with You is never in vain.





When trials of all kinds come, grant me the courage to persevere, as **OLE KIRK CHRISTIANSEN** did. Wherever You call me to go in my work, help me embrace my calling and reflect Your character, even if it's work the world dismisses as useless. Teach me to work with excellence as a way of loving my neighbor as myself.

Teach me, Father, to engage the culture around me as HANNAH MORE once did: by insulating myself in Your word and community rather than isolating myself from the world. Please grant me a creative vision for how I might influence and create culture in a way that advances Your kingdom. Then, help me pursue that vision with audacious faith and courage.





Finally, guide me, like C.S. LEWIS, to find my ultimate joy in Christ, not in my work. Lead me to work in such a way that it stirs a craving in others that can only be satisfied in You and to embrace the unique opportunities that follow to make disciples wherever I go.

I thank You that the same Spirit who empowered these men and women is available also to me, equipping me for every good work. May that work, today and every day, bring you great joy and glory.

In Your mighty name, I pray.