



Sermon Outline  
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## Work Is Work

Proverbs 6:6-11

The person who avoids work at any cost is a: \_\_\_\_\_

### Signs of sluggardness:

1) Overtly \_\_\_\_\_ rather than proactive

**Proverbs 26:14-15** - As a door turns on its hinges, so a sluggard turns on his bed. The sluggard buries his hand in the dish; he is too lazy to bring it back to his mouth.

*The train of failure usually runs on the track of laziness.*

2) Procrastinating rather than \_\_\_\_\_

**The Procrastinator's motto:** Why do \_\_\_\_\_ what you can put off until tomorrow?

**Proverbs 20:4** - A sluggard does not plow in season; so at harvest time he looks but finds nothing.

3) Making \_\_\_\_\_ instead of finding reasons.

**Proverbs 26:13** - The sluggard says, "There is a lion in the road, a fierce lion roaming the streets!"

*He that is good for making excuses is seldom good for anything else.* - **Benjamin Franklin**

## Huge lessons from the tiny ant:

1) \_\_\_\_\_ motivation gets the best results

**Vs. 7** - It has no commander, no overseer or ruler...

**Internal motivation is either \_\_\_\_\_ based or emotional based.**

2) Work done now pays off in the \_\_\_\_\_

**Vs. 8** - ...yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest.

**The ant stays motivated by thinking \_\_\_\_\_ all summer!**

**There are two important tasks in the summer:**

a) \_\_\_\_\_ and b) \_\_\_\_\_

3) Obstacles don't have to become \_\_\_\_\_

## How to override the sluggard in you.

1) Take \_\_\_\_\_

**Romans 14:12** - Each of us will give an account of himself to God.

**The personal responsibility serenity prayer:** Lord help me to have the serenity to accept the people I cannot change, the courage to change the one I can and the wisdom to know – it's ME!

2) Take \_\_\_\_\_

*You may never know what results come of your action, but if you do nothing, there will be no result.* – **Gandhi**

**Proverbs 14:23** – All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty.

*You cannot plough a field by turning it over in your mind.*

3) Apply \_\_\_\_\_

**Galatians 6:9** - Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest **if we do not give up.**