

INTRODUCTION: CHILD LABOR LAWS (see Ps.119:9)

I. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

- A. WORK IS A GIFT FROM GOD** (Gen.1:26f; 2:8f,15f; Ex.20:9)
- B. WORK IS A REFLECTION OF GOD** (Gen.1:26; 2:2; Ex.20:11)
- C. WORK IS CURSED BECAUSE OF OUR SIN** (Gen.3:16,17)
- D. WORK IS REDEEMED IN CHRIST** (Eph.4:20f,28; Col.3:9,10,24f)
- E. WORK IS PERFECTED IN GLORY** (1Cor.15:58; see Rev.3,4)
- F. REST IS A GIFT FROM GOD** (Ps.104:23; 127:2; Ex.20:9f)

II. SPECIAL APPLICATIONS TO YOUNG PEOPLE

- A. GIFTS & CALLING: WHAT GOD WANTS YOU TO BE** (Rom.11:29; see Ex.31:2f; "tOAD")
- B. DISCERN, DEVELOP, DEPLOY** (Ex.31:3f; "tOAD")
- C. OPPORTUNITIES ARE GREATEST IN YOUTH** (Eph.5:16; see Jn.9:4; Ps.104:23)
- D. ABILITIES ARE GREATEST IN YOUTH** (Eccl.12:2f; Lam.3:27; see Heb.12:6,11)
- E. DESIRES ARE GREATEST IN YOUTH** (Eccl.11:9 (2Tm.2:22); 12:1f)
- F. THE JOY OF FAITHFUL YOUTHS** (Prov.1:8,etc.; e.g., Acts 7:20(Heb.11:23); 1Sam.2:26; Acts 13:22 (1Sam.13:14;16:11f); Lk.1:80; 2:52; Acts 26:4 (Phil.3:5f))
- G. THE SADNESS OF UNFAITHFUL YOUTHS** (Prov.10:1; see 6:6f; 13:4; 19:24; 20:4; 21:25; 22:13; 24:30f; 26:13f; e.g.; Jn.12:6(w/Eph.4:28); 1Sam.2:12f(w/Tt.1:16); 2Sam.13:2f)

III. YOUNG PEOPLE, FILL YOUR DAYS WITH GOOD LABOR! (see Ex.20:6f)

- A. YOUR FIRST JOB** (Jn.6:28f; see Mk.1:15; Jn.3:3f; see Lk.7:11f; 8:41f; Eph.2:1-10; 2Tm.1:9; 3:14f; Ps.110:3)
- B. YOUR JOB DESCRIPTION** (Eccl.12:13,14; 1f; see Ex.20:6f; Mt.12:36; 25:15; Col.3:23; Acts 26:4)
- C. ASK FOR WHAT YOU NEED** (Ex.31:2f; Lk.11:9-13; "tOAD"; Eph.4:12f)
- D. DO GOOD WORK WELL, INCLUDING YOUR SCHOOLWORK** (Ex20:6f; Eccl.9:10; Col.3:23; Ps104:23)