Observations on the Theology of Work and Economics

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Abstract

It is hard to miss the recent increased attention that evangelicals have been paying to the topic of work, vocational stewardship, business as mission, and calling. Several important books have recently been released, including Kenman Wong and Scott Raes
As Christians, our theological tradition can introduce a new element of economics that is often lacking: love. This topical Bible study on economics and society illuminates many biblical examples that show how and why our faith should inform our view of economics and our participation in society. Whether we are managers, artists, teachers, or in any other profession, our work should aid in the prosperity of our communities and nations. Theology of Work Project: Economics and Society (9781619708068). A topical study looking at Economics and Society through various biblical texts and Theology of Work articles. How does Christian faith relate to economic life in ways that can potentially advance a more abundant life for all?

Business for the Common Good, Tom Nelson's Work Matters, and Amy Sherman's Kingdom Calling, to mention only a few. There is a resurgence of interest in the question of what is needed, biblically and theologically, to connect Sunday worship with the work that all of us do Monday through Saturday. This represents a commendable shift in evangelical priorities, and the papers in this symposium are drawn from the consultation on the Theology of Work and Economics at the Evangelical Theological Society annual meeting. The consultation aims to be a forum for the discussion of those and related topics.