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## **Sunday Mornings Messages**

**April 2 – “Remembering God – Church”**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

**April 9 – “Remembering the Resurrection”**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

**April 16 – “Remembering God – Sexuality”**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

**April 23 – “Remembering God – Parenting and Grandparenting”**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

**April 30 – “Remembering God – Money”**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

**May 7 – “Remembering God – Marriage”**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

## **Sunday Evening Messages**

**March 26 – “Transformed – Dead to Sin”**

**(Romans 6:1-14)** Pastor Peter Molina

**April 2 – Easter Musical**

**April 9 – No PM Service**

**April 16 – “Transformed – Bearing Fruit”**

**(Romans 7:1-6)** Pastor Peter Molina

# “Remembering God – Work Place”

March 26, 2023  
Al Fadi

## Foundational Truth

Genesis 1:26 - *Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” (27) God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. (28) God blessed them; and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”*

1. We are All made in the Image of God
2. We are All blessed by God to do work
3. We are All mandated to bless others through work

## How do we remember God at the Workplace?

### 1. By Obeying His Mandate

Genesis 1:28 – *“Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”*

### 2. By Being Fruitful and Productive

Deuteronomy 16:10 - *“You shall keep the festival of weeks for the Lord your God, contributing a freewill offering in proportion to the blessing that you have received from the Lord your God. (11) Rejoice before the Lord your God—you and your sons and your daughters, your male and female slaves, the Levites resident in your towns, as well as the strangers, the orphans, and the widows who are among you—at the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. (12) Remember that you were a slave in Egypt, and diligently observe these statutes.”*

### 3. By Remembering His Good Work in Our Life

Exodus 23:16 - *“You shall observe the festival of harvest, of the first fruits of your labor, of what you sow in the field.”*

#### **4. By Glorifying Him through our Character and Integrity**

1 Timothy 6:1 - *“All who are under the yoke as slaves are to regard their own masters as worthy of all honor so that the name of God and our doctrine will not be spoken against. (2) Those who have believers as their masters must not be disrespectful to them because they are brethren, but must serve them all the more, because those who partake of the benefit are believers and beloved. Teach and preach these principles.”*

#### **APPLICATION**

##### **1. Receiving God’s Blessing of Productivity Means Respecting Co-workers**

Ruth 2:8 – *Then Boaz said to Ruth, “Listen carefully, my daughter. Do not go to glean in another field; furthermore, do not go on from this one, but stay with my maids. (9) “Let your eyes be on the field which they reap, and go after them. Indeed, I have commanded the servants not to touch you. When you are thirsty, go to the water jars and drink from what the servants draw. (10) Then she fell on her face, bowing to the ground and said to him, “Why have I found favor in your sight that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?” (11) Boaz replied to her, “All that you have done for your mother-in-law after the death of your husband has been fully reported to me, and how you left your father and your mother and the land of your birth, and came to a people that you did not previously know. (12) “May the Lord reward your work, and your wages be full from the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to seek refuge.” (13) Then she said, “I have found favor in your sight, my lord, for you have comforted me and indeed have spoken kindly to your maidservant, though I am not like one of your maidservants.” (14) At mealtime Boaz said to her, “Come here, that you may eat of the bread and dip your piece of bread in the vinegar.” So she sat beside the reapers; and he served her roasted grain, and she ate and was satisfied and had some left. (15) When she rose to glean, Boaz commanded his servants, saying, “Let her glean even among the sheaves, and do not insult her. (16) “Also you shall purposely pull out for her some grain from the bundles and leave it that she may glean, and do not rebuke her.”*

##### **2. God Bestows His Blessing of Productivity Through Human Labor**

Ruth 2:5 – Then Boas said to his servant who was in charge of the reapers, “Whose young woman is this?” (6) The servant in charge of the reapers replied, “She is the young Moabite woman who returned with Naomi from the land of Moab. (7) “And she said, ‘Please let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves.’ Thus she came and has remained from the morning until now; she has been sitting in the house for a little while.”

### **3. God’s Blessing is the Source of Human Productivity**

Ruth 2:1 – Now Naomi had a kinsman of her husband, a man of great wealth, of the family of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz. (2) And Ruth the Moabitess said to Naomi, “Please let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after one in whose sight I may find favor.” And she said to her, “Go, my daughter.” (3) So she departed and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers; and she happened to come to the portion of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the family of Elimelech. (4) Now behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem and said to the reapers, “May the Lord be with you.” And they said to him, “May the Lord bless you.”

### **4. God Calls People to Provide Opportunities for the Poor to Work Productively**

Ruth 2:17 – So she gleaned in the field until evening. Then she beat out what she had gleaned, and it was about an ephah of barley. (18) She took it up and went into the city, and her mother-in-law saw what she had gleaned. She also took it out and gave Naomi what she had left after she was satisfied. (19) Her mother-in-law then said to her, “Where did you glean today and where did you work? May he who took notice of you be blessed.” So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked and said, “The name of the man with whom I worked today is Boaz.” (20) Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, “May he be blessed of the Lord who has not withdrawn his kindness to the living and to the dead.” Again Naomi said to her, “The man is our relative, he is one of our closest relatives.” (21) then Ruth the Moabitess said, “Furthermore, he said to me, ‘You should stay close to my servants until they have finished all my harvest.’” (22) Naomi said to Ruth her daughter-in-law, “It is good, my daughter, that you go out with his maids, so that others do not fall upon you in another field. (23) So she stayed close by the maids of Boaz in order to glean until the end of the barley harvest and the wheat harvest. And she lived with her mother-in-law.