

Insight on Careers

Agenda

1. What does God want for me?
2. What do I want for myself?
3. What is a good career ?
4. How do I get there?



God wants me to succeed.



- ▶ **Genesis 39:2** The Lord was with Joseph, and he was a successful man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.
- ▶ **Success doesn't mean "no problems" like Joseph**
- ▶ **John 16:33** These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world

What do I want for myself?

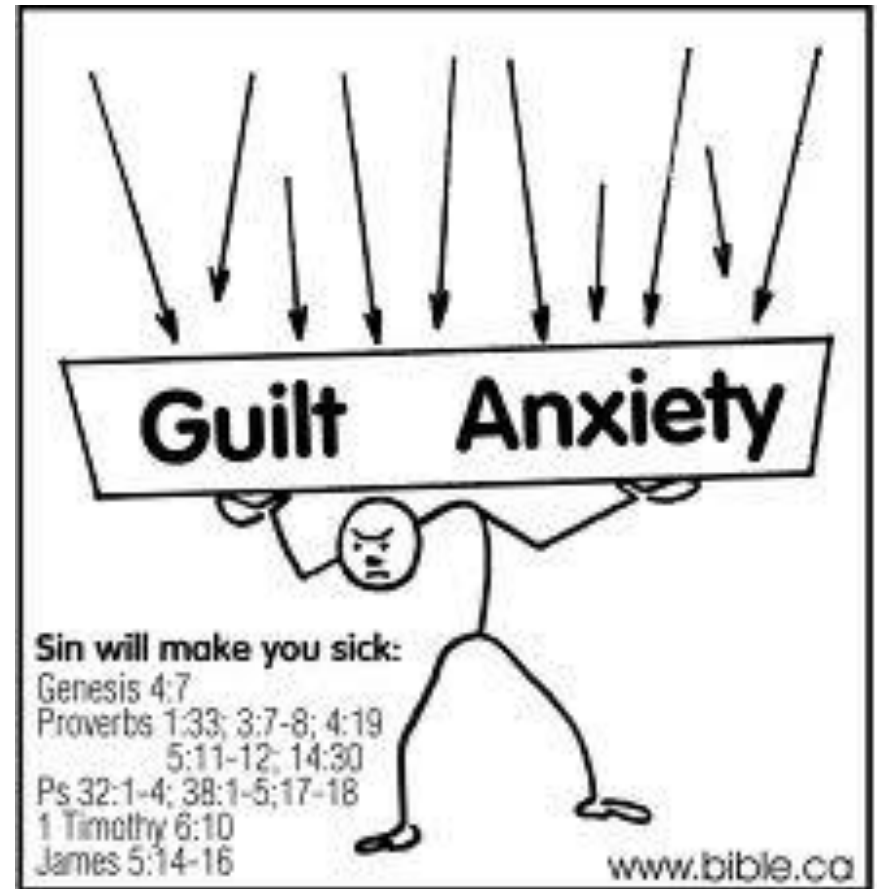
- ▶ Get the kids to answer this question in the class? Some of the answers might be...
 - Happiness
 - Success
 - Money
 - God

Everything Needs to Be In God



Sin Doesn't Pay Off

- ▶ **Wisdom of Sirach 9:11** Do not envy the success of sinners, for you do not know what their end will be like.



What are good careers?

- ▶ You need to think about it now !
- ▶ 14:28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it 14:29 lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, 14:30 saying, `This man began to build and was not able to finish.'



My
career
Website

Sector	Avg. Min	Avg. Max	Average
Mining, Oil & Gas	\$61,847	\$248,750	\$144,718
Executive / Corporate Strategy	\$52,633	\$247,273	\$124,595
Engineering	\$50,601	\$252,253	\$119,951
Scientific	\$42,205	\$136,667	\$111,561
Construction, Building & Architecture	\$42,503	\$185,882	\$109,586
IT & Telecommunications	\$47,701	\$257,767	\$105,382
Average Australian Salary			\$94,239
Banking & Financial Services	\$45,493	\$227,826	\$92,016
Human Resources & Recruitment	\$40,941	\$207,246	\$91,902
Sales	\$39,925	\$193,750	\$88,011
Legal	\$48,353	\$178,824	\$87,293
Marketing	\$44,833	\$155,833	\$86,304
Accounting	\$44,813	\$145,621	\$85,606
Property & Real Estate	\$43,462	\$186,154	\$83,975
PR & Communications	\$43,934	\$146,341	\$82,461
Manufacturing	\$40,896	\$134,468	\$82,285
Primary Industry	\$33,210	\$158,333	\$81,896
Insurance and Superannuation	\$39,800	\$159,000	\$81,331
Logistics, Transport & Supply	\$38,913	\$288,824	\$81,319
Medical & Healthcare	\$32,410	\$153,447	\$80,922
Media, Advertising, Arts & Entertainment	\$38,608	\$132,675	\$76,297
Government & Defence	\$40,937	\$146,413	\$75,884
Trades and Services Positions	\$37,488	\$112,417	\$69,617
Automotive	\$37,857	\$121,954	\$65,684
Education and Training	\$34,545	\$206,660	\$62,974
Retail	\$34,000	\$151,111	\$62,536
Community, Sport & Leisure	\$28,332	\$102,080	\$60,800
Customer Service & Call Centre	\$34,945	\$110,363	\$56,640
Hospitality, Travel and Tourism	\$30,286	\$96,429	\$55,108
Graduate	\$38,750	\$90,625	\$53,256
Admin/Office Support	\$32,307	\$91,415	\$53,192

Most important thing..

- ▶ There is no perfect job, but you need to love what you do
- ▶ Share your personal experience based on your career
 - Why did you chose this career?
 - Do you like your job or not?
 - What do you like?
 - What don't you like?
 - If you go back in time, would you choose a different career



Get 2 or 3 visitors to share their experience *

- ▶ Some one who studied in TAFE
- ▶ Some one that changed careers
- ▶ Some one that is excelling in his/ her career
- ▶ Bring females in the girls classes and males in the boys classes
 - Get them to answer the same questions (as per the previous slide)
 - Get the kids to answer any questions they have

* (Servants can cover if they have varied careers)

How do I get there?

God's
Grace



My
Hard
work

God's Grace



- ▶ Psalm 1:1 Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;
- ▶ 1:2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night.
- ▶ 1:3 He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.
- ▶ 1:4 The ungodly are not so, But are like the chaff which the wind drives away.

Comments on Psalm 1

- ▶ This man neither walks, stands nor sits with evil company ! All stages of sin..
- ▶ His delight is in following the commandments of the Lord. Not being forced !
- ▶ The tree can not grow by itself , God has to make it grow !
- ▶ Whatever he does, prospers !



Hard Work

- ▶ Athletes – how much do they train ?
 - ▶ Discipline is key
 - ▶ Need a vision to keep you motivated.
- Action: Start a contract if you haven't already



After all this, what if you don't get what you want?

- ▶ You know, it's not because of lack of trying ..
- ▶ Regret is the worst feeling. You don't want to say "I wish I had studied harder"
- ▶ It's like being on a long highway and missing the right exit in the US . You have to keep going for another hour to get back !



Trust God's Plan



- ▶ Story of the Egyptian guy that got bad results and had to stay at Uni for an extra year. If he had graduated he would have been admitted to the army as an officer, gone to war and stayed 3 years.
- ▶ **Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.**