

# Women & Work

FALL BOOK CLUB 2022

The book we will be reading together this fall is a short study in biblical theology on the topic of work in the story of the Bible. *Work and Our Labor in the Lord* is written by Dr. James Hamilton- a professor of Biblical Theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and a local church pastor.

This book “explores how work fits into the big story of the Bible, revealing the glory that God intended when he gave man work to do, the ruin that came as a result of the fall, and the redemption yet to come, offering hope for flourishing in the midst of fallen futility.”

We are excited you decided to join us for our fall book club and are willing to lead a virtual/in-person group. To get started, we have some useful tips for you:

- *Chose a time and a place.* Consider that the women invited to read this book are working women. Chose a time and a place that can accommodate their work schedule. If you are hosting in your home, do not pressure yourself to make it perfect. Be respectful of everyone's time; start on time and end on time.
- *Start with prayer.* Begin every group with prayer, asking the Lord to open your hearts and to guide your minds.
- *Start and end with the Word.* This is a book club, take the time to read out loud the passages of Scripture and letting the Word be the primary guiding of your discussion and reframing of your thoughts and minds.
- *Be honest.* As the leader you set the tone, don't be afraid to share your struggles and lead your group back to the Word.
- *Allow silence.* Silence is ok in a group, it takes people a few minutes to think, sit in the silence. After a few minutes it's ok to prompt a follow up question, invite particular people to answer, and if no one has any thoughts, share your thoughts.
- *Discuss one practical way that each of you can implement what you learned throughout the week.*

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The official launch date to begin reading is August 22 and we will be reading through September into October. We would love to have you come alongside and join us!

Week 1	Aug. 22	Introduction
Week 2	Aug. 29	Chapter 1
Week 3	Sept. 5	Chapter 2
Week 4	Sept. 12	Chapter 3
Week 5	Sept. 19	Chapter 4
Week 6	Sept. 26	Conclusion