

Christian Workers: Transformed Character

Ephesians 6:5-6a
Message

Workers, manifest transformed
character in your work

5-8

Distinctly Christian instructions
for slaves [workers]

Transformed character (5-6b)

Transformed behavior (6c-8)

Doing

Serving

Knowing

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Distinctly Christian instructions
for masters [managers]

Transformed behavior

Do the same

Stop threatening

Knowing

Ephesians 6:5-9

Obey those who have authority over you (5a)

Obey = Carry out the orders of your
earthly manager

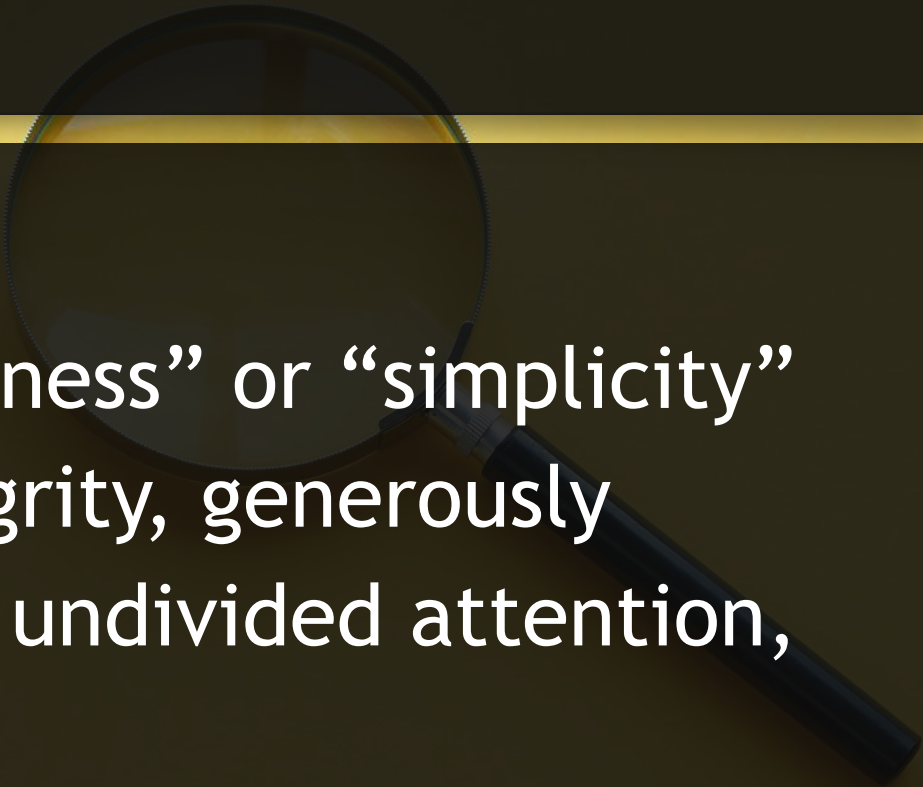
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“Sincerity”

- Greek word means “singleness” or “simplicity”
 - Translated: sincerity, integrity, generously
 - Work should be done with undivided attention, wholehearted effort
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Remember that transformed character is not external conforming

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Principles for godly workers

Obey

Obey those who have authority over you

Respect

Obey your manager with dutiful respect

Undivided
Attention

Devote undivided attention to your work

Wholehearted

Serve earthly manager wholeheartedly as to Christ

Watched or not

Serve well whether you are being watched or not

Having a new
heart

Serve well because you have a new heart