## Is It A Job or is it a Ministry! October 2000

Some people have a job in the church. Others involve themselves in a ministry. What's the difference?

If you are doing it just because no one else will.... It's a job. If you are doing it to serve the Lord.... It's a ministry.

If you quit because someone criticized you... It was a job. If you are serving in spite of criticism ... Then it is a ministry.

If you'll do it only so long as it does not interfere with your other activities, chances are it's a job. If you are committed to staying with it even if it means letting go of other things... it's a ministry.

If your reward is from people... it's a job. If your reward is in heaven...it's a ministry.

If you quit because no one thanked you or praised you... it was a job. If you stay with it when nobody recognized your efforts... it was a ministry.

If you do it for the praise of men...it's a job.

If you do it for the praise of God... it's a ministry

You know, it's hard to get excited about a job. It's almost impossible not to be excited about a ministry.

If you expect pay for everything you do... it's a job If you're a servant,... it's a ministry.

If your concern is success – it's a JOB
If your concern is faithfulness - it's a MINISTRY

If someone had to convince you - it's a JOB If you have a job, give it up and find a ministry.

If God has called you - it's a MINISTRY... so don't treat it like a job! The Lord wants you to be excited while you are faithful to Him in ministry.

Churches are filled with people doing jobs. Great and growing churches are filled with people involved in ministry.

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