

On Earth

Sunday August 17, 2008

Col 3:22-25; Eph 6:5-8

Imagine Being a Slave

- Choices and Tasks
- Advice to Christian Slaves Col 3:22-25; Eph 6:5-8
- What About Us?

Either Or → Both And

- **Transition** – Either Or → Both And
- **Danger** – Dividing What Belongs Together
- **Focus Today** – Living ‘On Earth’

Deck Chairs on the Titanic

- Raking Before Cutting the Tree Down
- Sanding the Deck before Removing It
- ‘In Vain’ – There is No Point!
- Your Labour Not ‘In Vain’ 1 Cor 15:58

Two Dangers

The Danger of Dividing What Belongs Together

Danger 1 – Anything ‘On Earth’ In Vain

Focus on Heaven – Earth, Now, Does Not Matter

Danger 2 – Anything Mundane ‘In Vain’

Focus on Here and Now – No Ultimate Significance

Some Transforming Ideas

- **God’s Dream / Kingdom** – Kingdom Come On Earth
- **New Heaven and Earth** – Earth Always Our Home
- **Judgement** – Beyond ‘In or Out’ – Everything Matters

So What?

- Invitation to Living that Matters – Everything Matters!