



Living Our Faith in the Workplace

# Jesus' Mission

- Jesus for 30 years, simply a carpenter, Mark 6:2-4
  - **carpenter,** τέκτων (tektōn)  
A carpenter, an artisan. From the base of timoria; an artificer, i.e., a craftsman in wood.
  - According to Chrysostom, our Lord made ploughs and yokes for oxen as carpenter in a provincial village
  - He chose to be the son of a carpenter.



# Jesus Rejected

- First rejection. Luke 4
- Rejected again, Mark 6:1-4
  - Not rejected as a teacher
    - Their teachers (Rabbis) learned trades
    - Jewish proverb about training a son
  - Rejected as God
    - God would not be concerned about the mundane (artisan vs. plow-maker)
    - Ordinary people serve an extraordinary God



# Our Focus

- Paul “labored with his own hands” at the trade of tentmaker,
  - Acts 18:3;
  - I Thessalonians 2:9;
  - I Corinthians 4:12

