

WWT Board of Directors Opening Prayer

Work That Endures—Psalm 127

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Psalm 127

¹ Unless the LORD builds the house,
the builders labor in vain.

Unless the LORD watches over the city,
the guards stand watch in vain.

² In vain you rise early
and stay up late,
toiling for food to eat—

for he grants sleep to those he loves.

³ Children are a heritage from the LORD,
offspring a reward from him.

⁴ Like arrows in the hands of a warrior
are children born in one's youth.

⁵ Blessed is the man

whose quiver is full of them.

They will not be put to shame

when they contend with their opponents in court.

Successful children, thriving city, and enduring work: who wants a legacy like this? Count me in, right? The question that this Psalm makes me ask myself is, "What will be the result of my work, and will it endure for eternity?" The short answer is that without God's blessing, nothing we do on the job, in our community, or with our family will endure. However, we can rest assured that if we are seeking God's blessing and His will in all of our activities, then our work, our communities, and our families will result in an enduring legacy. Let us bow our heads in prayer and ask for this:

Heavenly Father, thank You for Your Scripture. As Solomon wrote in this Psalm, without Your blessing our work will not endure. Now at the opening of this board meeting, we pray that You will bless our work and the work of all at WWT. Also, Lord, please bless our efforts as we serve our communities and families around the globe. Without Your guidance and help, no amount of effort that we put forth will endure. However, as Jesus taught, help us to seek first Your Kingdom and Your righteousness, and all these things will take care of themselves. I pray this with humble respect for all faiths and backgrounds, in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.