1. Which of the following statements is closest to your own? Why? What has formed your views?
* God doesn’t care about the material world (and the material needs of those in the world). He cares only about their souls. Only souls are saved.
* Christians need to care for the material needs of others in the world because until certain basic needs are met, it is unlikely that others will be prepared to receive the gospel. To be specific, providing for material needs is important but only as a means for meeting a higher need - the need to accept Christ and be saved.
* God cares about the material needs of people all over the world. God also wants everyone to have an opportunity to learn about Jesus and to come into a saving relationship with him. A calling to either ministry is valid. All other things being equal, however, God is more interested in evangelism.
* Christians need to care for the material needs of others in the world because God cares for those needs. It is enough, for example, to provide food to the hungry without trying to lead them to Christ. Indeed, providing food to the hungry is as important to God as evangelizing those who have never heard the Gospel.
1. When you think about the field you are in (Finance, Engineering, program management, etc.) what creational goodness does it bring to the world, or what aspects of God’s character or what part of his essence is He trying to push through your field. IE – why do you think your particular profession exists? What makes it “good”?
2. How do you view your work? Is it something that you look forward to?  Do you see it as a way of expressing the unique person that God made you to be? Or do you mostly dread work and wish you didn’t have to do it. In either case, what practical changes would you suggest (if applicable, to your boss) to give you more opportunities to engage in meaningful and creative work on the job?
3. Have you ever thought about your work in the role of steward for God? If so, in what contexts have you considered this idea? If not, how might this new sense of stewardship enhance your work?

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