On the Go for God

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Working as a temporary employee has brought many questions my way from others who want to know why I would do temp work. If only they knew the adventure it has been as I have trusted the Lord in this area of my life! I have been temping for 12+ years now and see that Christians are pilgrims here on this earth. It's especially easy for me to discern that this is not our permanent home as I consistently go from place to place. I know this is not where we ultimately belong or have our real security and my work continually reminds me of this truth.

Because I am not looking to a certain company for my significance, I must find it in God. Since I know a business is not providing for my needs, I must look and see that it is God taking care of me. Each day, He sends me out on His business and His divine assignments. I have had to learn to depend on Him moment by moment. He is my Source.

"Here I am, Lord, send me" has been my plea, and send me He has! Sometimes He places me somewhere to meet and encourage someone. Sometimes it's where He has me go to prepare for the *next* place. Sometimes I am sent where I can be His ambassador or salt and light. Other times it is where I'll learn a certain skill. Often I see His hand at work and have come to truly value my "short-term missions" in His service.

Of course, there are those assignments that I will only understand years later or perhaps not at all on this side of Heaven. Although I certainly could choose my own place to work, it has been a big blessing to let God keep choosing! It has also stretched my faith and I have found Him faithful! It has also increased my prayer life as you can imagine!

Because of the real, practical ways that temping has allowed me to see God's character and activity in the details of my life, I may just keep temping forever! What a joy to experience His hand and His heart in motion!