

# How to Stay Afloat

## In a World That's Circling the Drain

### *New Career Strategies For a Changing World*

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##### **Introduction**

What have the last ten years done for your career? Chances are, you now occupy an office you previously couldn't have gotten an appointment in. Even you are impressed with your business card. If the thrill for you has come from promotions, will the thrill be gone if you find yourself stalled out? If you are married to your job, you might be considering a divorce right about now! If things could be better for you right now in the professional arena, stay tuned!

#### **NEW CAREER STRATEGIES FOR A CHANGING WORLD**

##### ❖ **In the Past, a Career Had to Offer:**

1. Income with an upside
2. Opportunities for advancement
3. Long-term security
4. Prospects for acquisitions
5. Promise for the future

##### ❖ **Do You Have . . . The Career From Hell?**

1. You have no passion for the activity  
*Ecclesiastes 2:17*
2. You have no guarantee of stability  
*Ecclesiastes 2:18*

3. You have no control of the results  
*Ecclesiastes 2:19-21*
4. You have no sense of satisfaction  
*Ecclesiastes 2:22*
5. You have no escape from the pressure  
*Ecclesiastes 2:23*

##### ❖ **New Career Strategies**

1. Celebrate the freedom of a modest lifestyle  
*Ecclesiastes 5:18a*
2. Find a job you can love  
*Ecclesiastes 5:18b;2:14;3:12-13;3:22;8:15*
3. Remember this is a temporary assignment  
*Ecclesiastes 5:18c*
4. Focus on what you have instead of what you lack  
*Ecclesiastes 5:19*
5. Bury the past and seize the day  
*Ecclesiastes 5:20*