

## A CUBICLE WORLD

I live in a cubicle world. Where I work at Boeing, there are lots of cubicles just like in the Dilbert cartoon...

When you first come to work at Boeing you might get stuck in a cube with another person. Later we get our own personal cubicle, which is the lofty state that I have currently advanced to after working at Boeing for 7 years. If you become a manager you get a 30% larger cubicle where you can hold meetings with 1 or 2 people without everyone bumping into each other. Then after a few more years you might be rewarded with a cubicle near a window so you can actually see sunlight and not just be illuminated by flickering florescent tube lights - half of which have been turned off to save electricity. And eventually if you stay there 30 years and are a really valuable person, you might get to leave the cubicle world altogether and have your own office and the ultimate status symbol: A four foot plastic rubber tree plant in the corner!

Now, I'm obviously poking fun at my work and of course these days we are all very grateful to have a job. We go to work and jump through all kinds of hoops to make our bosses look good. But in contrast, God measures us by a different standard than our human employers and rewards us with a different reward than a mere pay raise and a nicer cubicle.

His standard is faithfulness

*Matthew 25:21 "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'"*

His reward is eternal companionship

*John 14:2-3 In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.*

I'm so glad that He hasn't gone to prepare us a cubicle but instead a place that allows us to be in His presence forever...