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Thread: [Sunday nights after escaping the 9-5 life](#)

Sift - October 11, 2026, 2:30 pm

You know what the absolute best part of working for yourself is?

It's not even necessarily the work itself—it's Sunday night. Just realizing you don't have to force yourself to turn in early, set a brutal morning alarm, and stress out about waking up at the exact right time just to survive another grind of a week.

Sundays actually feel like an actual weekend now. You can just chill, stay up as late as you want, and enjoy the night without that constant, low-key background panic of watching the hours tick away before you have to lock in for Monday.

Anyone else feel like ditching the forced early bedtime is an underrated perk of going independent?

Dotexe - October 11, 2026, 2:51 pm

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XtremeDiscount - October 11, 2026, 2:54 pm

Yes owning your own website and your own business is a great feeling!

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Sift - October 13, 2026, 7:53 am

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Eran - October 13, 2026, 8:06 am

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I think it's just personal preference to be honest.

Oh_Well - October 13, 2026, 11:31 pm

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Laughing Man - October 14, 2026, 1:49 am

Looking at the start of a week as a new adventure helps.

Oh_Well - October 14, 2026, 2:10 am

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Stress is a issue best to ignore and pray for the best.