

## COURSE SYLLABUS

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# Faith at Work

Course Lecturer: Robert Harp, DMin

## Course Description

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Many believers long to find ways to better integrate their faith and work. Some feel as though they are in a second-class role because they were not called into full-time Christian ministry. Some struggle with identifying their purpose, calling, and giftedness; having no role model; knowing how to integrate faith and work; and knowing how to share and defend faith in the workplace. As a result, these believers are frustrated and can fall short of fully integrating their faith with their work.

If this has been your experience, get ready to be encouraged. These five lessons will help you reflect on your life purpose to bring glory to God and the topic of calling and giftedness. You will discover the importance of having a mentor and being a mentor. You will learn about spiritual formation at work and how your identity in Christ should be reflected in the workplace. And we'll wrap up by discussing evangelism and apologetics, helping you build confidence as you prepare to share and defend faith in the workplace. A resource section of 125 websites is also provided for your personal reference and use.

## Course Objectives

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Upon completion of this course, you should be able to:

- Evaluate your current life situation and resolve to set God-honoring priorities.
- Discern personal calling and giftedness and discover ways to honor God with personal talents.
- Understand the importance of mentoring in the context of family, Christian community, and the workplace.
- Discover ways to find a mentor and to be a mentor.
- Recognize that work is a place to honor God with our talents and to be a blessing to others.
- Build confidence and preparedness in responding to questions about our faith.

## Course Lecturer

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*Robert Harp, DMin (1959-2020)*

**Education:**

- Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, DMin
- Dallas Theological Seminary, ThM
- Wheaton College, BA and MA

**Career Highlights:**

- Executive Director of the Office of Innovation/Biola LaunchPad and Adjunct Professor, Nonprofits/Social Enterprises, Biola University
- Founder, CEO and Publisher of GlobalHotelNetwork.com, a premier online media brand in the global travel and tourism industry
- Catalyst for the Workplace Ministry Network, Lausanne Movement
- California-licensed real estate broker and CCIM

## Course Methods

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Throughout this course, a number of methods will be used to engage you in understanding, processing and applying the information learned in this course to your life. These methods include the following:

- **Video-based teaching**

The primary teaching session in each lesson is provided in video format. If you do not have the bandwidth required to view the video, we provide the option of listening to the lesson or reading the lesson from a transcript.

- **Additional Resources**

Lessons may be accompanied by additional readings, images, etc. that you can use to supplement your learning.

## Course Requirements

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To earn a Certificate of Completion, you must complete the course requirements. Course requirements include:

1. Viewing the following for each lesson:

- **Lesson Overview:** A brief outline of what the lecturer will cover in the lesson.
- **Lesson Objectives:** Objectives describe the learning outcomes you should achieve by the end of the lesson.
- **Reading:** Suggested readings that will supplement your learning.
- **Lectures:** 30-50 minute lessons that can be viewed as many times as needed.

2. Responding to the discussion questions for each lesson.

3. Earning a 70% or higher score on each lesson Quiz and the Final Exam.  
Quizzes and the Final Exam will cover the material presented in the lectures.