



2015 Curricular Integration Workshop

Spiritual Formation

As a starting point for thinking about where work and the economy might arise in classes, the table facilitator (Gary Black, Azusa-Pacific University) provided these “touchpoints”:

Personal budget as a moral document

Holistic tithing – time, talent, possessions, and revenue

Stewardship; contemplation of calling; discovering peace/shalom in every area of our *oikos*

Specific calling-vision; help students contemplate where the world's needs intersect with their gifts and desires

Fellowship of peers; changing the accountability paradigm

Mentoring – Who may I mentor in these areas? Who is mentoring me?

The faculty at the table brainstormed these additional “touchpoints”:

-In pastoral counseling classes it is important to discuss the need for personal wellness, including financial wellness and the impact of such wellness or lack thereof, on congregants.

-Consider an assignment to calculate the monetary value of time spent in meetings. Ex. price per hour of everyone sitting at the table.

-Explaining the spiritual necessity of developing ethical/moral investing portfolios.

-Create field trips for classes to experience industry workplaces to get a feel for the spiritual issues and opportunities in various workplaces.

-Use Ramsey's financial peace curriculum as a springboard to biblical/ethical issues related to personal finance.