

2015 Curricular Integration Workshop

Ethics & Philosophy Table 2

As a starting point for thinking about where work and the economy might arise in classes, the table facilitator (Ken Magnuson, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary) provided these "touchpoints":

Economics in biblical/Christian perspective

Meaning and significance of work in Genesis 2 and application in contemporary experience

Vocation/calling in the Christian life

Wealth and poverty in biblical perspective

Business/workplace ethics

The meaning of working "for the glory of God"

The faculty at the table brainstormed these additional "touchpoints":

Understanding the will of God

Duty to care for those in the household of God, differentiated from the duty to care for those outside (though both are duties)

Work and leisure, sport, balancing "the rest of life"

Understanding and providing a critique of "career" or "careerism"

The Decalogue on work and economics

Practices in worship / church services that underscore a proper understanding of faith and work

Is there a duty to buy from Christian businesses if possible?

"Christian" business?: work ethic, integrity, competence, etc.