As a starting point for thinking about where work and the economy might arise in classes, the table facilitator (John Taylor, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary) provided these “touchpoints”:

- Parables about money
- The discussion of work in 1 and 2 Thessalonians
- Early church finances (e.g. 1 Cor 9, 2 Corinthians 8-9)
- Wealth and poverty (e.g. in Luke/Acts, James)
- Giving, benefaction and patronage

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

- Hermeneutical issues: Not just going from the Bible to life but from life to the Bible; global church perspective
- Paul’s tent-making and the right not to work
- Persecution and the financial cost of following Christ (e.g. Heb 10:32-34)
- Support of the poor in the Jerusalem church
- New Testament theological issues: creation/new creation, inheritance, redemption, realized eschatology
- Loving your neighbor
- Background issue: Roman grain dole
- New Testament discussion of widows