MARK 562: The Bible and Work: Going Broader and Deeper

Mark Roberts June 26 – 30; 1:30 – 4:30 pm 1 or 2 graduate credit hours; or 1 audit hour

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Many Christians today recognize that "our work matters to God." We acknowledge the goodness and value of our daily work. This is a great start. But it's just the beginning. This course invites you to examine closely what the Bible really says about work. It will encourage you to go deeper in your theological understanding of why work matters and how it is to be done. Course lectures and conversations will also broaden your vision, seeing how work is essential to God's justice as well as to personal spiritual formation and the church's mission in the world.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon the successful completion of this course, students should have a clearer understanding of:

- 1. Identify and understand many crucial biblical passages having to do with faith and work.
- 2. Teach a Bible-based course on faith and work in their churches and other Christian community settings.
- 3. Understand how their own work relates to God's work
- 4. Do their daily work in a way that reflects biblical theology and ethics related to work.
- 5. See work as a primary context for spiritual formation, including their own growth in Christ.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1 June 26 Creation, Fall, and Work

- Day 2 June 27 Work in the Law and Prophets
- Day 3 June 28 Jesus and Work
- Day 4 June 29 Paul and Work
- Day 5 June 30 Work and God's Futures

REQUIRED TEXTS

Required Reading

One Credit Hour

Keller, Timothy and Leary Alsdorf, Katherine. *Every Good Endeavor: Connecting Your Work to God's Work.* ISBN: 978-1594632822. Penguin, 2012.

Two Credit Hours

Kaemingk, Matthew, and Cory B. Willson. *Work and Worship: Reconnecting Our Labor and Liturgy*. ISBN: 978-1540961983. Baker Academic, a division of Baker Publishing Group, 2020.

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