

Doing God's Business: A Practical Theology and Spirituality for Executive Leadership

December 6-9, 2007

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Paul has been a pastor for 20 years (Montreal and Vancouver), a student counselor with IVCF, a businessperson (Habitat Woodcraft) and a professor in an interdisciplinary theological college for the whole people of God. From 1999 until 2005 Paul was the David J. Brown Family Professor of Marketplace Theology and Leadership at Regent College, Vancouver, BC. His mission is to empower ordinary people to integrate their faith and life from Monday to Sunday. He does this through teaching, coaching, advocating and writing. He is married to Gail, has three married children and eight grandchildren. Gail and Paul reside in Vancouver and travel to all continents to teach, learn and contribute.

Course Description

This course will help people develop a biblical foundation for their life in the marketplace whether they are in leadership or not. Marketplace theology makes sense of our engagement in enterprise in the light of God's revelation and purpose. In contrast to the mutual marginalization of business and Christianity this course proposes matters of integration. Developing governing commitments, developing a framework for ethical decision-making and discovering spiritual disciplines for the marketplace are themes that will be explored. Participants will gain transferable concepts and ideas that can help them make a difference in the work world and for those in pastoral leadership, to equip God's people for their service Monday to Friday.

Educational Outcomes

1. Understanding the place of work, business, and enterprise in the purpose of God
2. Ethical guidelines and perspectives for facing challenging workplace situations
3. Spiritual disciplines appropriate for marketplace and civic involvement
4. Skills in dealing with concrete situations Christianly through case studies
5. Grappling with resistance in the workplace
6. Developing marketplace ministry as part of the ministry of the church in the world

Course Requirement

Course will be offered in English, all participants must have a recognized undergraduate degree (mature students will be considered on a case by case basis) and should be sufficiently proficient in English for graduate theological education.

Schedule

Dec 6 (Thu) *Open Lecture One*
7.30-9.30pm **Taking Your Soul to Work: Experiencing God in the Marketplace**

Dec 7 (Fri) *Open Lecture Two*
7.30-9.30pm **Breaking the Myth of Work-Life Balance: Living an Unbalanced Life Graciously**

Dec 8 (Sat) *Weekend Intensive (Day One)*
2.00-10.00pm **Five Approaches to Integrating Faith and Work: Mission, Mysticism (Spirituality), Morality (Ethics)**

Evening Panel Discussion with:
Dr. Peter Liu (Former CTO at the listed ASM Pacific Technology)
Mr. Raymond Tam (Administrative Officer)
Moderator: Mr. Sherman Lam (Senior executive with a listed developer)

Dec 9 (Sun) *Weekend Intensive (Day Two)*
2.00-6.00pm **Five Approaches to Integrating Faith and Work (continued): Meaning (Theology), Methodology (Strategies)**

Location

December 6-7: **EFCC Tung Fook Church**, 1/F, Park Commercial Centre, 180 Tung Lo Wan Road, Causeway Bay (Exit B, Tin Hau MTR)

December 8-9: **North Point Alliance Church** (The Truth Building), 1/F, Block 4-6, City Garden, North Point (Exit B, Fortress Hill MTR)

Book

All participants are requested to read R. Paul Stevens, *Doing God's Business: Meaning and Motivation for the Marketplace* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2006) preferably before coming to the course. A study guide based on the book will be available. Book order service is available to participants registered on or before **November 15** and ordered book can be picked up before the course.

Fees (excluding book and meal)

	On/before Nov 15	After Nov 15
Individual (Practitioner)	\$1,600	\$1,800
Individual (Pastor/Christian Worker)	\$1,400	\$1,600
Group of three or above	\$1,400	--

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Address: _____

Phone: (Work) _____ (Mobile) _____

Email: _____

Occupation/Profession: _____

Organization: _____

Position: _____ Church: _____

Please list previous degrees, qualifications or highest level of education attained, including institution(s) attended:

Early Bird Registration Fee (on/before Nov 15).....	\$1,400 / \$1,600	
Regular Registration Fee (after Nov 15).....	\$1,600 / \$1,800	
Book <i>Doing God's Business</i> (on/before Nov 15).....	\$130	
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