

Where is work in God's big picture?

How does this relate to the nature of the Church?

3 session course for parishes

Being a Disciple at Work

Pressures & difficulties

Valuing & exploring our work experience

Download course notes & resources from **Diocesan website**

How can the Church support our discipleship at work?

The ethics & purpose of the work I do

How can I serve God through my work?

Worship & work

How can the Bible help us understand?

Praying for my work & workplace

Ways of being a disciple I in the workplace

Practical outcomes

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Being a Disciple at Work

Many of us spend most of our waking hours involved in work or activities that are not directly church-related, yet they are an important part of our discipleship journey and experience. It may be full or part-time work; paid or voluntary; family care; recreational or retirement activities. . .

This course is an opportunity to:

- value, share and explore what is happening for us through the work and activities in which we are engaged
- reflect on some Christian perspectives on work in the Gospel message and the Bible
- think about how our discipleship at work relates to the nature of the Church
- share some of the challenges our work and faith bring to each other
- consider the ethics, purpose and relationship dynamics of our working lives and workplaces
- develop appropriate responses to the above through prayer and action
- discuss ways in which our churches can develop the support they give to members in their workplace discipleship

Course materials:

Everything you need to run the course can be downloaded & copied from the Diocesan website: www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/workingdisciple.htm (or follow the links to: Ministry, Vocations and Training / Adult education and training / Working Discipleship).

Includes timed plans for 3 x 2 hour sessions, leaders' and participants' handouts, resources, worship, Bible studies, further reading / resources list including useful websites, plus questionnaire to help people start thinking through their working situation.

Each session includes :

- whole group work
- work in small groups or pairs
- time to reflect on our own experience
- Bible study
- reference to current Christian thinking & writing on the subject
- worship
- practical outcomes to use during the week

The course is designed to be led by lay or ordained church leaders.

Further information and support:

Support and additional resourcing is available from the Adult Education & Ministry Training team at Bouverie Court. Please contact Liz Holdsworth for more details: liz.holdsworth@peterborough-diocese.org.uk 01604 887070.

