

Course Schedule for Redemptive Poverty Work, World Impact U
Fall 2021
Rev. Dr. Alvin Sanders
 November 17 – December 22, 2021

Meeting Information	Lesson and Assignments
Session Zero	Lesson Zero, Course Introduction
Face-to-face Meeting Time: 1-2pm ET Wednesday, Nov 17	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participate in Face-to-face meeting for course Introduction. 2. Watch <i>The Dirty Little Secret of Redemptive Poverty Work</i> video.
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Session 1	Lesson 1, A Brief Theological Reflection
Face-to-face Meeting Time: 1-2pm ET Tuesday, Nov 23	Assignments to be completed for this Lesson <i>Complete the following before you attend this meeting:</i>
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--Chapter 6: Faith and Works: Eliminating the Tension Between Evangelism and Justice

- Submit your summary in the *Reading Completion Sheet* for each book using the file “reading-completion-sheet.doc” in the *Assignments Submitted* section of RPW.
- **Memorize Matthew 25:45** and grade yourself using the scripture-memory-form.doc, submit this using “Assignments Upload” section in RPW.

4. After watching the video: Lesson 1, A Brief Theological Reflection, go to the Forum and:

1-answer the discussion questions there (listed below)

2-interact with one of your colleagues' answers.

Discussion Questions for Lesson 1

1. Do you believe biblical illiteracy concerning the poor is a problem that can be solved? More importantly, how firmly do you believe it is a problem worth solving?
2. Many people feel uncomfortable when the topic of poverty comes up, especially if they have never experienced it. Other than the protestant work ethic mentioned, why do you think this is the case?
3. Besides it being a kingdom priority, what are your top three reasons for pursuing poverty work from a biblical perspective? Are there legitimate reasons to not pursue it? How do you plan on reconciling these to move forward?
4. How you spend your time, talent, and treasure towards those in poverty show that you have a passion for loving your neighbor. Provide life evidence to support where you presently are concerning this.
5. What do you suggest is the most important thing you can do to apply the things you've learned to your life?

Complete the following after Face to Face Meeting

- Take the Lesson 1 Quiz

Session 2

Face-to-face Meeting

Time: 1-2pm ET
Wednesday, Dec 1

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Lesson 2, Toxic Poverty Work

Complete the following before you attend this meeting:

1. Complete Lesson 2 of Redemptive Poverty Work in WIU – objectives through connection (*you will not be able to go beyond Face-to-face as it requires a code from the facilitator*)
2. Review Questions at end of the *Content* section of Lesson 2. Please be prepared to discuss your answers in our Lesson 2 Face-to-face meeting.
3. Complete the assignments in the *Assignments Due* section for Lesson 2 **before** our Lesson 2 Face-to-face meeting. Those assignments are as follows:
 - Read the following assigned pages for each book below:
 - Read “Toxic Poverty Work”, pages 23-30 in *Redemptive Poverty Work*

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- Read the following Chapters in *Uncommon Church*:
 - Chapter 2: What Would Jesus Do? Poverty Is a Condition, Not an Identity
 - Chapter 7: There Goes the Neighborhood: Understanding the Powers That Be
- Submit your summary in the *Reading Completion Sheet* for each book using the file "reading-completion-sheet.doc" in the *Assignments Submitted* section of RPW.
- **Memorize Luke 4:18-19** and grade yourself using the scripture-memory-form.doc, submit this using "Assignments Upload" section in RPW.

4. After watching the video: Lesson 2, Toxic Poverty Work, go to the Forum and:

- 1-answer the discussion questions there (listed below)**
- 2-interact with one of your colleagues' answers.**

Discussion Questions for Lesson 2

1. Have you ever lived in poverty? How does your experience (or lack of it) affect your understanding of the work you do with people who do live in this condition?
2. How easy or hard is it for you to accept that if you have participated in poverty work, at some point, you have practiced toxic poverty work?
3. What has caught your attention about this topic? Why?
4. On a scale of one to ten with one being "not much" and ten being "very much," assign a number that reflects where you are concerning toxic poverty work. Reflect on how you determined the number.
5. What issues do you need to personally engage because of reading this content?

Complete the following after Face to Face Meeting

- Take the Lesson 2 Quiz

Session 3

Face-to-face Meeting

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Lesson 3, Redemptive Poverty Work

Complete the following before you attend this meeting:

1. Complete Lesson 3 of Redemptive Poverty Work in WIU – objectives through connection (*you will not be able to go beyond Face-to-face as it requires a code from the facilitator*)
2. Review Questions at end of the *Content* section of Lesson 3. Please be prepared to discuss your answers in our Lesson 3 Face-to-face meeting.
3. Complete the assignments in the *Assignments Due* section for Lesson 3 **before** our Lesson 3 Face-to-face meeting. Those assignments are as follows:
 - Read the following assigned pages for each book below:
 - Read "Redemptive Poverty Work", pages 31-36 in *Redemptive Poverty Work*

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- Read the following Chapters in *Uncommon Church*:
 - Chapter 4: The People of God: God's Plan for a Broken World
 - Chapter 8: Championing the Community: Empowering Grassroots Leaders and Workers
 - Chapter 10: The Kingdom Is in Us
- Submit your summary in the *Reading Completion Sheet* for each book using the file "reading-completion-sheet.doc" in the *Assignments Submitted* section of RPW.
- **Memorize John 1.14** and grade yourself using the scripture-memory-form.doc, submit this using "Assignments Upload" section in RPW.

4. After watching the video: Lesson 3, Redemptive Poverty Work, go to the Forum and:

- 1-answer the discussion questions there (listed below)**
- 2-interact with one of your colleagues' answers.**

Discussion Questions for Lesson 3

1. How has redemption changed your personal life?
2. Does the notion of redemptive poverty work resonate with you? Explain why or why not.
3. Give an example of exploitative poverty work.
4. Give an example of ethical poverty work.
5. What is the main difference between ethical and redemptive poverty work?

Complete the following after Face to Face Meeting

- Take the Lesson 3 Quiz

Session 4

Face-to-face Meeting

Time: 1-2pm ET
Wednesday, Dec 15

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Lesson 4, Rhythms of Life and Poverty Work

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1. Complete Lesson 4 of Redemptive Poverty Work in WIU – objectives through connection (*you will not be able to go beyond Face-to-face as it requires a code from the facilitator*)
2. Review Questions at end of the *Content* section of Lesson 4. Please be prepared to discuss your answers in our Lesson 4 Face-to-face meeting.
3. Complete the assignments in the *Assignments Due* section for Lesson 4 **before** our Lesson 4 Face-to-face meeting. Those assignments are as follows:
 - Read the following assigned pages for each book below:
 - Read "Rhythms of Life and Poverty Work", pages 37-50 in *Redemptive Poverty Work*
 - Read the following Chapters in *Uncommon Church*:
 - Chapter 1: Advocacy is Not Enough
 - Chapter 5: Doing Healthy Church: Seven Habits Toward

	<p style="text-align: center;">Spiritual Maturity --Chapter 9: Chasing Wild Dreams: Examples of Faith Hope, and Love in Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit your summary in the <i>Reading Completion Sheet</i> for each book using the file "reading-completion-sheet.doc" in the <i>Assignments Submitted</i> section of RPW. • Memorize Acts 2.42 and grade yourself using the scripture-memory-form.doc, submit this using "Assignments Upload" section in RPW. <p>4. After watching the video: Lesson 4, Rhythms of Life and Poverty Work, go to the Forum and: 1-answer the discussion questions there (listed below) 2-interact with one of your colleagues' answers.</p> <p><i>Discussion Questions for Lesson 4</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chapter One of Uncommon Church is titled "Advocacy Is Not Enough." What message is the author trying to send? 2. How has your advocacy/ministry affected your identity? 3. In what practical ways have you tied your advocacy with your faith? 4. How many of the eight practices are you able to make a basic commitment to? What is hindering you to make a basic commitment to all eight? 5. How many of the eight practices are you able to make an advanced commitment to? What is hindering you to make and advanced commitment to all eight? <p><i>Complete the following after Face to Face Meeting</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take the Final Exam • Complete the Course Evaluation Form
Wednesday, Dec 22	<p>Final Assignments Due <i>Final Exam</i> <i>Redemptive Poverty Work Course Evaluation Form</i></p>

News and notes:

1. Our textbooks are designed to be a part of your ongoing pastoral library; please obtain copies of both texts as tools for ministry in the church.
-- Redemptive Poverty Work
<https://tumientree.com/index.php/discipleship/redemptive-poverty-work>
-- Uncommon Church: Community Transformation for the Common Good
<https://tumientree.com/index.php/discipleship/uncommon-church>
2. Please ensure that all the assignments are completed before the Face-to-face meetings (*follow the assignments and due dates above and you will be able to do this*).

3. Please use the two documents you have received to complete your reading assignments and Scripture memory assignments. These should be completed each week and uploaded to using "Assignments Upload" in your Redemptive Poverty Work Learning Path.
4. Be sure to take notes during your Face-to-face meetings with Dr. Sanders as these will be the basis of your Face-to-face meeting times when you host your Redemptive Poverty Work training.
5. If there is something that you wish to speak more in depth with Dr. Sanders about, please contact Paula and set up a 30 minute Zoom meeting with Dr. Sanders. (e.g. Office Hours)
6. If you cannot make a class session, please notify Andrew Lee (alee@tumi.org) *in advance* (whenever possible). Make-up work will then be scheduled.
7. Class Contact Info:
Class Facilitator: Andrew Lee – alee@tumi.org (610-322-8142)
For meetings with Dr. Sanders: Paula Pust – ppust@worldimpact.org (612-210-4332)