

## Faith in everyday life? What does that even mean?

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I've been talking to a lot of people about the upcoming 1-Day CARP Workshop and some seem to be **puzzled** by the motto and lecture topics.

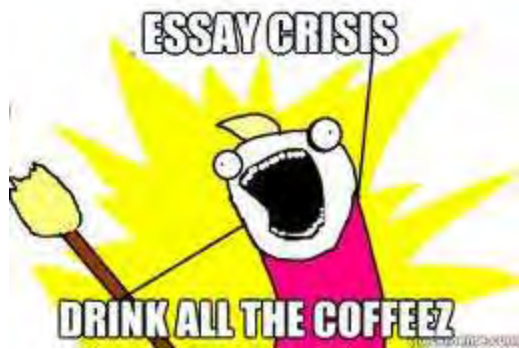
Everyday living? How can you practice your faith at work or at uni? Apart from Hoon Dok Hae what more is there to living a life of faith? How do my wife and I relate to God? Faith in everyday life? What does that even *mean*?

The idea for some of the content came from a 5 day workshop called the 'Toolbox' course I went to at the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity near Bond Street last June. It was about **engaging** with modern culture. We did all kinds of things. We went to the cinema to review Prometheus, to the Tate Modern to look at Damien Hurst's £50,000,000 diamond and platinum skull and lots of great lectures and discussions.



One of the things examined was the whole concept of 'front lines'. A phrase which traditionally in Christianity has been associated with working for the church, leading a life of poverty, being a missionary in Africa and so on. Something our church is struggling to leave behind too – we have an almost obsessive belief that street witnessing and selling sun-catchers is the only way to **REALLY** show God you love Him and and make the world a better place.

Most of us spend most of our lives not at church or in Cleeve House. Our workplace, our homes and paying taxes is our front line. The places where we have the best opportunity to serve and love others in the Name of God. But very rarely do we hear anything about these places at church or on workshops. Surely God is the God of all creation not just of Sundays, MFT & 7-Day Workshops.



What is His will for us those 45 hours a week at work (or 5 hours at uni)? How do I talk about my faith with friends? How can I even begin to think about being an *owner* of Cheon Il Guk while working at Uniqlo or RBS? How do we relate to God as husband and wife? Where *is* God when I'm having an essay crisis?

Well I have no idea. But what I do hope you'll find is a workshop that is willing to engage in everything else that is happening in your life and not just remain an academic, theological exercise. I hope you'll find it an opportunity to hear how others are facing very similar challenges to you and are muddling their way through life. So why not join us on Saturday 15th December. At the very least I can promise you good company, music and food.