



**CHRIST-
LIKENESS**

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What is WCA's Understanding of
the Doctrine of

VOCATION?

At WCA we regularly rely on the rich theology of vocation that the Judeo-Christian tradition offers us. Its deep roots go back to the book of Genesis where we see that humanity is given a unique mandate as co-regents with God (Genesis 1:28; 2:15) who are to care for and have dominion over the earth. The implications and scope of vocation or calling were developed further during the Protestant Reformation, when Luther began to argue that any occupation can and ought to be done for God. In fact, our worship of God extends to the mundane tasks of our jobs and managing our homes and children because it is through these tasks that we care for creation and serve our neighbors. So each of us, from pastor and priest to artist and accountant, is called by God to do the work he gives us and to do it well.

This foundation means that we are free to pursue the callings that seem best to us after we evaluate our skills, talents, gifting, personality, desires, and the types of work in which we have found fulfillment. We encourage our students to take seriously who God has shaped them to be and where he has put them as they discern their callings and pursue Christlikeness in their work.