



HARMEL ACADEMY

OF THE TRADES

AN INTEGRATED HUMANITIES

Harmel's innovative, four-part humanities curriculum, titled **God and Man at Work**, is customized specifically for the tradesman, and offers our students a healthy introduction to theology, philosophy, history, literature, ethics, and spiritual formation.

The curriculum is designed to be rigorous, accessible, and conversational, with minimal lecture and research, and with an emphasis on Socratic method, forming the imagination,

and spiritual discipline. One of our academic advisors has described it as "philosophy and history for guys who like to blow things up."

The humanities cycle is designed as a continuous thread of thematic study where men learn through study, discipline, habit, and reflection to see their calling as men, workers, and family men as an apprenticeship in the Way that is Christ himself.

GOD AND MAN AT WORK

SEMESTER I: MASTER & APPRENTICE

- 1: Man as Wanderer**—Lessons on living in a post-Christian world.
- 2: Man as Apprentice**—Learning to conform one's life to Christ.
- 3: Man as Worker, Priest, Adorer**—Learning to orient work and life to the Eucharist.

SEMESTER II: HUSBONDI

- 1: Man as Husband**—Finding our vocation as husbands and fathers.
- 2: Man as Maker**—Finding our vocation as co-creators/laborers in the Lord's vineyard.
- 3: Man as House-Manager/Steward**—Finding our vocations as servants of a larger community.

SEMESTER III: THE CITY OF MAN

- 1: Man as Father**—Man's call as strengthener, leader, and cultivator of the common good.
- 2: Man as Brother and Son**—Learning the virtues that enable solidarity.
- 3: Man as Citizen**—Learning the practical wisdom that safeguards subsidiarity.

SEMESTER IV: THE CITY OF GOD

- 1: Man as Sinner**—Learning to persevere in holiness.
- 2: Man as Saint**—Deepening one's life of prayer and charity.
- 3: Man Deified**—Learning to live in memory of heaven and the call to divine intimacy.

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