

# **Faith-Based Discussion Guide for**

## **God Is Always Hiring: 50 Lessons for Finding Fulfilling Work**

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1. What is your mission in life? How has God revealed it to you?
2. The parable about the buried talents (Matthew 25:14-30) warns us not to bury our talents. Where is God calling you to use your talents? What will it take for you to unearth them?
3. Regina considers the Jesuit Retreat Center in Cleveland to be her "spiritual" home. What place do you consider to be your spiritual home and why?
4. We often hear the words, "Fake it till you make it." Regina's friend Vicki taught her, "Faith it till you make it." What does she mean by that? What does it mean to you?
5. Do you consider Regina to be a religious person or a spiritual person? Is there a difference? What do you consider yourself to be and why?
6. In Lesson 19, Regina says that choice, not just chance, determines our destiny. How true is that? How much of our life is up to us to determine? How much is up to fate? Or to God?
7. Regina writes, "My God isn't armed. My God is a loving, joyful, gentle God." What's the best way to describe your God?
8. If God is still speaking, how do you listen? How do you know when it's God speaking in your life?
9. Regina writes, "I fall and I rise up. Both are the grace of God." What does she mean by that?
10. The title of the book is, "God is always hiring." Do you believe that is true? What title would you have picked for this book?
11. Regina believes that even our biggest mistakes can bless the lives of others. What mistake turned out to be a blessing in your life?

12. Lesson 32 says, "There's more to life than making it go faster." Even God rested on the seventh day. How do you currently honor the Sabbath? How would you like to honor it?

13. Many companies have a corporate mission statement to stay focused. Some people have a personal mission statement. If you had a personal mission statement, what would it be?

14. Regina talks about the importance of getting and staying in alignment. For her, meditation and archery help. What do you do to stay in alignment with God? What helps you stay focused on what matters most in life?

15. The Bible offers many quotes to guide us in our work. Micah 6:8 reminds us to, "Act justly. Love tenderly. Walk humbly with your God." What Bible quote or spiritual affirmation guides you in your work life?

16. The business world can often feel competitive and cutthroat, and yet we are told in the Bible (Luke: 12-27) not to worry, that God clothes the lilies of the field. Regina believes, "Nothing you want is upstream, so stop struggling." How much can we trust God to do the work? How much do we need to struggle?

17. After Regina writes her columns and her books, she sends her work through a "spiritual scanner." She prays over her writing using the prayer of Saint Francis. What is your spiritual scanner? What prayer guides you at work?

18. Regina urges readers to create a soundtrack for their life. What type of music would be on your soundtrack? What hymns?

19. In Lesson 36, Regina says, "All God wants for me to be is me, the very thing I hold back because I believe I'm not worthy. God already knows that and doesn't care." What part of you do you still withhold from God? What will it take for you to believe that you're worthy?

20. If you were to write a book about finding fulfilling work, what would be your most important lesson to include? How did you learn it?

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