Biography of Mike Winther



Michael R. Winther is the President and Founder of the Institute for Principle Studies (IPS). He sits on the Board of Scholars at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy and holds a degree in Political Science from the University of Idaho.

Mike leads tours of historical places and events on the East Coast where he teaches about the real foundations of America. As a frequent speaker at conferences and conventions, Mr. Winther teaches government, economics, and history to audiences throughout the country. He has written numerous articles and essays and frequently participates on radio broadcasts. Mike is also the co-developer of a civics and economics curriculum that teaches the principles, philosophy, and purpose of government from a Christian perspective.

As a lifelong student of history and government, Mr. Winther feels a burden to teach the important principles of government and economics — principles that were known by many of our founding fathers, but unfortunately were forgotten a generation later. After graduating from the University of Idaho, Mike worked as a professional campaign consultant in Washington and California. Later he worked in the non-profit industry for 20 years before founding the Institute for Principle Studies in 2005. Mr. Winther established IPS as a Christian research and educational organization dedicated to teaching how biblical principles apply to government, economics, and history. Mike's overall goal is to demonstrate the biblical framework that constitutes a free, prosperous, and virtuous society that reflects the glory of God.