

Robert Dickie III – Biography

Author of *The Leap*:

Launching Your Full-Time Career in Our Part-Time Economy



Crown Financial Ministries' President **Robert Dickie III** believes applying foundational business and Biblical principles combined with playing to your strengths will yield transformational change in both your career and in your life. Over the course of his career in both for-profit, non-profit and business consulting, Dickie has first-hand expertise in creatively addressing the challenges of emerging business markets. His personal goal is to help inspire others to strengthen their finances, marriages, and families by maximizing the career God intends for each of us.

His work has spanned multiple industries. Dickie has a proven track record throughout his diverse military, business management, and non-profit career. Prior to Crown, he served as CEO for SMT, an international training and sales service provider, and he started his career serving six and half years in the United States Air Force. He has consulted companies in multiple phases to include start-up, high-growth, and turn-around environments, and considers his favorite the start-up phase, team building and coaching.

Dickie is also an author, speaker, consultant, columnist, and sought after interview. He has been featured by *USA Today*, *FOX News*, *The Washington Times*, *The Boston Business Journal*, *The Wall Street Journal Market Watch*, *The Federalist*, and a variety of radio and television outlets.

"In this new economy, too many people are having to work multiple part-time jobs to fund a full-time life," said Dickie. "But today is the day to consider how the opportunities in front of us can be leveraged into meaningful, profitable careers."

Dickie's new book, ***The Leap: Launching Your Full-Time Career in Our Part-Time Economy*** (Moody Publishers, January 2015) was birthed out his work since 2007 with people who were unable to find full-time employment or who lost their jobs due to downsizing or company closures. "The economy is changing and it is impacting us all. I felt that the things I learned as I took the leap from poverty to a leadership position in the corporate world would help people take the leap in their own careers today."

Dickie himself knows first-hand what it is like to be dependent on welfare. He and his wife were newly married in college with a baby. He was going to school on a ROTC scholarship, and working odd jobs, but they had to depend on food stamps. "Although it was tough, we knew education and hard work was the pathway to a better future. The things we learned during that time prepared me for my leap into the professional world and later into entrepreneurial ventures."

Dickie and his wife Brandi have been married 20 years, and are parents to five children (Lachlan, Trista, London, Amaris, and Charlize). Dickie serves on multiple boards, and is an avid mountain climber and runner. He was the named the Air Force Athlete of the year and was the third American finisher when he ran in the Boston Marathon. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, earned his Master's Degree from the University of Arkansas in Industrial Engineering, and has begun the Harvard Business School Executive Education Program.

Find more information about Robert Dickie at www.RobertDickie.com

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