

Bible Study Resources

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Anointed, Transformed, Redeemed – Priscilla Shirer, Beth Moore, Kay Arthur

At Deeper Still: The Event, three women explored their lives and the life of David. You'll laugh with them, cry with them, and learn to love God with them. Join Priscilla, Beth, and Kay for this six-week in-depth Bible study on the life of King David. You will need to order individual member workbooks from Lifeway, # 9781415865859 @ 12.99 each

Belief Matters – Josh McDowell (An Interactive Resource for Adults)

This five-part video (DVD) series reiterates the relevance of teaching your child or youth that their Christian belief matters. Our church-ed young people are not embracing true Christianity. Research shows that 63% don't believe that Jesus is the Son of God, 58% believe that all faiths teach equally valid truths, 51% don't believe Jesus rose from the dead, and 68% don't believe the Holy Spirit is a real entity. This video (DVD) series will help you know how to reverse our young people's distorted beliefs and deepen their convictions. Resource includes 5 sessions on video or DVD, group Leader Guide, reproducible worksheets, Beyond Belief to Convictions companion book, and Beyond Belief 'The Deceivers' youth book. You will need to order individual member workbooks from Lifeway, ISBN #0842380108 or Product #001210954 @ 10.99 each.

Bringing Up Boys – Dr. James Dobson

Boys are different from girls. Unfortunately, our society's mixed messages about the role of men are creating a lot of confusion; and boys are suffering as a result. It's time for informed and caring adults to "step into the gap" on behalf of our next generation of men. This warm, humorous, and commonsense video curriculum is based on the best-selling book. Dr. Dobson – trusted child psychologist and international family advocate – recorded the sessions in front of a live audience at Focus on the Family. Includes leader guide and 6 videotapes (or 4 DVD's).

Daniel-Lives of Integrity – Beth Moore

Just as the prophet Daniel faced unbelievable pressure to compromise his faith in a hostile culture and was constantly confronted by temptations and threats, today's believers face similar trials. This 12-session study, unique from Beth's previous Bible studies, falls in two parts and can be used as one or two studies. The first portion, from Daniel chapters 1-6, deals with Daniel's life as he faced the kind of pressures and temptations Christians encounter today. The second portion, chapters 7-12, explores thrilling prophecies from the time of Daniel through the second coming of Christ. The resource includes six DVDs featuring twelve sessions, plus promotion and bonus segments. Also includes one member book and one leader guide. You will need to order individual member workbooks from Lifeway, ISBN #1415825882 or Product #001299013 @ \$14.95 each.

Faithful, Abundant, True – Kay Arthur, Priscilla Shirer, Beth Moore

At the Deeper Still event in Orlando, Florida, three women explored God's faithfulness, abundance and truth. Participants will watch the video sessions and unpack the rich teaching through daily Scripture study and personal application. Join Kay, Priscilla, and Beth, and Kay for this seven-week in-depth Bible study or use the material as a retreat. You will need to order individual member workbooks from Lifeway, # 9781415868980 @ 12.99 each

Jumpstart – A Sunday School Leadership Workshop: Training Leaders for the Ages

Your decision to provide biblically-based training for your Sunday school age group leaders is a thoughtful and timely step toward building an effective Sunday school organization. This resource includes five separate training modules: Adult, Young Adult, Student, Children, Preschool. Each module contains two 30-minute training sessions on DVD and audio CD.

- ✦ Adult: Session 1 – You’ve Got It-Now Use It!: An Encouraging Look Into the Teacher’s Toolbox
 Session 2 – The Heart of the Matter: It’s People...Every Single Time
- ✦ Young Adult: Session 1 – A Generation on the Edge: Waking up to Reality and Responding with Urgency
 Session 2 – Sharpening the Teacher’s Edge: Unchanging Truth to a Changing Culture
- ✦ Children: Session 1 – Finding the Missing Link: Connecting with Children So They Can Connect with God
 Session 2 – Caution: Learning Zone Ahead: How to Teach So Children GET It
- ✦ Preschool: Session 1 – More Than Fingerpaints, Blocks and Playdough: How They Learn & What They Need
 Session 2 – Beginning with the Big Picture in Mind: Teaching Great Big Truths to Eager Little Minds

You will need to order individual participant workbooks (workbooks cover all five modules) from Sampson Resources (call 800-371-5248), ISBN 098199765-1 @ 8.95 each.

Living Beyond Yourself – Beth Moore

You can know the freedom of a life filled with the fruit of the Spirit. Through this study you’ll come to appreciate the supernatural aspects of the fruit and will learn that you cannot grow, learn, or produce the fruit on your own. Beth challenges you to develop the fruit by maintaining an intimate relationship with the Spirit of God. As you walk with God, He develops in you the fruit of the Spirit. A Spirit-filled life truly results in living beyond yourself. Resource kit includes one copy of the member book, one copy of the leader guide, and a 10-week study with an introductory session and 10 video sessions on six DVDs. You will need to order individual member workbooks from Lifeway, ISBN #0633193801 or Product #001243968 @ \$14.95 each.

The Man I Want to Be: Finding Your Way to a Life That Counts – Neal Jeffrey

This is a six-lesson, video-based study designed to call men to embrace six qualities that will enable them to make their lives “count where it matters most.” This resource includes six video lessons on DVD (40 minutes each), eleven 5-7 minute micro-messages on DVD, one Leader Guide, and one sample Member Manual. You will need to order individual member manuals from Sampson Resources (call 800-371-5248) or LifeWay, ISBN 978-193337642-4 @ 8.95 each.

MasterLife – A Biblical Process for Growing Disciples – Avery T. Willis, Jr.

MasterLife is a sequential, developmental, small-group discipling process to help Christians master life by developing personal, lifelong, obedient relationships with Jesus Christ. The leader guide provides step-by-step guidance for facilitating group studies. Includes 1 leader guide, 3 videotapes and 4 program books; The Disciple’s Cross, The Disciple’s Personality, The Disciple’s Victory, and The Disciple’s Mission.

Maximum Church – Signs of Life: Back to the Basics of Christianity – David Jeremiah

With our society’s sometimes unfavorable view of Christians, it is even more important that believers display what Dr. David Jeremiah calls signs of life — signs that Jesus has transformed us and that we are committed to Him and His kingdom. They are signs that ought to be detected from across the street, over the fence, down the hall, throughout the office, or in the pews, for it’s not enough to just talk about Jesus. *Signs of Life* will lead you on a journey to a fuller understanding of the marks that identify you as a Christian. Personal imprints that can impact souls for eternity and help you become a person of influence who radiates relevancy, authenticity, generosity, and compassion every day — just like Jesus did. Includes Hardcover Book, Digital Resources, 6-Week CD Program, Small Group Leader Guide, Sample Small Group Workbook, Signs of Life New Testament, and a Campaign Notebook.

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War Room – Campaign Kit – Stephen Kendrick and Alex Kendrick

This Campaign Kit is designed to help you plan and promote a movie outreach campaign and prayer efforts in your church and community. The kit includes War Room Bible Study Leader Kit to lead a Bible study before or after you see the movie, a planning guide with special event ideas, planning tools, and ways to mobilize your church around the campaign, and a DVD-ROM with digital downloads that includes sermon outlines, flyers, web ads, posters, movie trailers, social media tools, and more. Also included is a step-by-step planning guide to help you launch your own prayer ministry in your church. For the Bible study you need to order individual books for participant – Lifeway Item #005727823 @ \$7.99 each.

CD-ROMs, DVDs, and VIDEOS

The Legend of the Three Trees (DVD) – A Classic Folktale Narrated by Hal Holbrook

This timeless retelling of the classic folktale of three distinct trees, each with its own hopes and dreams. The olive tree wants to be a treasure chest, the oak tree hopes to be a mighty ship, and the pine tree only wants to stay on the mountain and point others to God. Join the trees and see how sometimes the dreams we have for ourselves are much smaller than the dreams God has for us. Features full-length versions of two original songs. 30 minutes (Children's Illustrated Book Available)

LIBRARY BOOKS

Autopsy of a Deceased Church: 12 Ways to Keep Yours Alive – Thom S. Rainer

No one wants to see a church die. Yet far too many churches are dying. Whether your church is vibrant or dying, whether you are a pastor or church member, this book will walk you through the radical paths necessary to keep your church alive to the glory of God and advancement of Christ's Kingdom. Hardcover 2014

The Baptist Association: Assisting Churches. Advancing the Gospel – Ray Gentry (Editor)

"The key to mobilizing healthy churches, revitalizing declining churches, and planting new gospel churches in every community is the local association of Baptist churches. For the first time in thirty-five years, a manual has been written and produced that motivates and gives helpful counsel to Associational Mission Strategists." – Ronnie Floyd, President and CEO of the Southern Baptist Convention. Sections include, What is a Southern Baptist Association, The Importance and Role of the AMS, Advancing the Gospel in North America, Called to Associational Leadership, and A Leader of Leaders. Softcover 2020

Baptist Polity: As I See It – James L. Sullivan (Former President of the SBC)

This is an insider's look at the practices and politics of today's Southern Baptists. How do they differ from other denominations? What controversies surround the SBC? How can Southern Baptists continue to move and grow? These and many more questions are answered in this informative book about the Baptist denomination. Sullivan served as CEO of the Baptist Sunday School Board for 22 years and he is also a past president of the SBC. Softcover 1998

Becoming a Church That Cares Well for the Abused – Brad Hambrick and Other Contributors

Working in tandem with the resources and videos found at churchcares.com, this handbook brings together top experts from various fields to help pastors and ministry leaders understand and implement the best practices for handling a variety of abuse scenarios in churches, schools, or ministries. Although the most comprehensive training is experienced by using this handbook and the videos together, readers who may be unable to access the videos can use this handbook as a stand-alone resource. Softcover 2019

The Book Your Pastor Wishes You Would Read (but is too embarrassed to ask) – Christopher Ash

Why would your pastor be embarrassed to ask you to read this book? Because it tells you how to care for him. Pastors are people too – and this warm, practical book helps us to see that if we want a joy-filled church, we need to have a cared-for pastor. Softcover 2019

Budgeting for a Healthy Church: Aligning Finances with Biblical Priorities – Jamie Dunlop

A church budget can accelerate – or stifle – a congregation’s movement toward a biblical model of church health. The author explains how the budget should function, showing where and why dollars are allocated has direct implications for ministry. He takes readers past the status quo – with its fixation on growth and numbers – to show church leaders how to transition from program-focused, consumer-oriented ministry to a simpler, Scripture-based, relationship-focused model of ministry. Softcover 2019

Christian Worker’s Handbook – Billy Graham Evangelistic Association

This is a topical guide with biblical answers to the urgent concerns of our day. It is a valuable resource for any Christian interested in using the Bible to answer people’s toughest and most frequently asked spiritual questions. Softcover 2013

Church, Go to Hell! Please?: A Call for Revival – Timothy J. Hall

Time is getting short for the church to do what the Lord has called us to do. It is time for the Church to realize that Hell is real and eternal for those we do not reach. Though the Church that has been purchased by the blood of Christ can never experience Hell in its fullness, it is imperative that the church be able to see and feel the eternalness of the torments of Hell. Luke sixteen tells us of activities that are now taking place in Hell, activities that need to be taking place in our churches. Please, allow your church and yourself to “Go to Hell” so that others won’t have to. Softcover 2009

For the One – Dr. Danny Forshee

How do we win others to Christ today and influence our friends for eternity? In *For the One*, Dr Danny Forshee applies the strategies of Jesus to today. He explores the principles of the greatest influencer and gives practical help and encouragement to all who desire to be more effective in sharing with their ones. By implementing the methods of Jesus, we are guaranteed to impact others for Christ in ways we never have before. Read and enjoy studying the life and ministry of Jesus and watch how your life and influence will expand more than you can imagine! Softcover 2019

The Gospel-Driven Church – Jared C. Wilson

What is a successful church? For decades, the answer to that question has been measured in attendance numbers and offering dollars. Yet many churches are becoming increasingly dissatisfied with this paradigm. Thriving, grace-focused churches are driven by a commitment to the gospel. This book shifts the focus to the metrics of grace, showing you how to measure the success of a church by a much different, much more important standard. Hardcover 2019

High Impact Teams: Where Healthy Meets High Performance – Lance Witt

Anyone who has been part of a great team knows it is something special. Lance Witt knows what it takes to keep teams functioning at the highest level of impact. He shows you how to build a next-level team that is spiritually, emotionally, and relationally healthy and productive and high performing. Softcover 2018

I Am a Church Member: Discovering the Attitude that Makes the Difference – Thom S. Rainer

Thom S. Rainer drew an exceptional response when he posted a 500-word declaration about church membership to his daily blog. "I Am a Church Member" started a conversation about the attitudes and responsibilities of church members -- rather than the functional and theological issues -- that previous new member primers all but ignored. Thoughtfully expanded to book form, *I Am a Church Member* begins to remedy the outbreak of inactive or barely committed church members, addressing without apology what is expected of those who join a body of believers. When a person's attitude is consistently biblical and healthy, matters of giving, serving, and so forth will fall into place more naturally. Hardcover 2013

Leading on Empty: Refilling Your Tank and Renewing Your Passion – Wayne Cordeiro

Don't let burnout get the best of you. In this book the author candidly shares his experience of burnout with the hope that it will encourage others headed down the same path. He was able to get back in touch with his life, get back in proper balance, and allow God to reenergize his spirit in a way that propelled him forward to greater levels of service. Softcover 2009

The Legend of the Three Trees – George Taweel & Rob Loos (Adaptation-Catherine McCafferty)

This is a retelling of the classic folktale of three distinct trees, each with its own hopes and dreams. The olive tree wants to be a treasure chest, the oak tree hopes to be a mighty ship, and the pine tree only wants to stay on the mountain and point others to God. Join the trees and see how sometimes the dreams we have for ourselves are much smaller than the dreams God has for us. Hardcover 2001

Life Unhindered: Five Keys to Walking in Freedom – Jennifer Kennedy Dean

Every fiber of our being cries out for freedom. The desire to be free is shared by men and women in all cultures, all ages, and all nations. We often forget freedom is Christ's goal for our lives as well. Through close examination of scripture God will move through you to loosen the cords that bind and equip you to live a life of full freedom in Christ. Softcover 2010

Living Your Strengths: Discover Your God-Given Talents – Winseman, Clifton, and Liesveld

Many people feel disengaged from their faith communities and report that they really don't get the opportunity in their congregation to do what they do best. People feel disconnected because of unwitting missteps: Pastors ask shy people to be greeters or recruit innately disorganized people to coordinate church events. Too many people's talents are going unappreciated. This book shows readers how to use their gifts to enrich their faith communities, how to identify and affirm their talents, and how to use them for growth and service. It helps people discover their true calling. Hardcover 2008

One Incredible Moment: Celebrating the Majesty of the Manger – Max Lucado

One word describes the night He came – ordinary. An ordinary night with ordinary sheep and ordinary shepherds. And were it not for a God who loves to hook an “extra” on the front of ordinary, the night would have gone unnoticed. But God dances amidst the common and that night he did a waltz. Hardcover 2006

The Pastor's Primer – O.S. Hawkins

Dr. O.S. Hawkins provides a comprehensive overview of being a pastor in The Pastor's Primer. He generously shares of his theological education, pastoral experience, and spiritual enthusiasm. He has taken the lessons he learned from several decades in the ministry and passed it on to us in a clear, concise, thoughtful way. It is full of biblical advice tempered by anecdotal experience from years of pastoral ministry. Softcover 2006

The Peace-Making Church: 8 Biblical Keys to Resolve Conflict & Preserve Unity – Curtis Heffelfinger

This book offers practical tools for the proactive pursuit of unity in your church. When human beings are involved in any endeavor, conflict is inevitable. But the best fight is the one the church never has to have because its members have been intentionally cultivating practices that lead to peace and preserve unity. Whether dealing with conflict right now or hoping to prevent it later, you will find that the proactive approach to peacemaking outlined in this book will equip you with the knowledge and practices you need to instill in your church leadership and membership. Softcover 2018

Replenish: Leading from a Healthy Soul – Lance Witt

Leaders function on two stages – the front stage and the back stage. The front stage is the public world of leadership. The backstage is the private world of the leader. This book shows you how to prioritize matters of the soul, develop healthy spiritual practices, address problems that lead to burnout, create a healthy rhythm in your life, craft a healthy leadership culture, develop better systems in your church, and move toward an unhurried life. Softcover 2011

Resolving Everyday Conflict – Ken Sande & Kevin Johnson

We all encounter conflict – whether it be with a coworker, family member, friend, or stranger. And yet we all desire harmony in our relationships. This book is a practical, biblical, and concise guide to peacemaking in everyday life. You will learn how to achieve not only a cease-fire but also unity and harmony. This biblical guidance will take you far beyond simply ending conflicts. Instead, true, life-changing reconciliation can take place in your relationships. Softcover 2015

Restarting the World: A New Normal After a Pandemic – H. Norman Wright and Bryn Edwards

The world may be restarting and opening its doors, but the effects of the grief, isolation, anxiety, and anger are anything but over. This brief but powerful book will help readers to process through the emotional toll that the pandemic shutdown has taken, and gives readers practical tips, tools, and exercises to not only reenter the world stronger, but make them better prepared to handle the unexpected. Even in the midst of chaos, we can still find hope and peace. Softcover 2021

SBC FAQs: A Ready Reference – Keith Harper and Amy Whitfield

This book seeks to answer church members' most common inquiries about the Southern Baptist Convention and offers clear and concise explanations to thirty-seven frequently asked questions. The topics addressed range from the founding of the SBC to how officers and committees work, what individual entities do, movements in denomination history, common terminology, and more. Also included are a number of guiding documents that give further insight into the founding, form, and function of America's largest Protestant denomination. Softcover 2013

Sirens for the Cross – Tommy Neiman with Sue Reynolds

This book includes inspirational stories of on-scene fire and rescue calls. Sirens of the Cross takes you directly to the scenes of a raging wildfire, structure fires, and medical calls ranging from attempted suicides to the poolside accident of a 107-year-old dancing gentleman. You will be filled with excitement, concern, compassion, and even laughter. But most importantly, you will see God's mighty hand as each incident reflects His glory! Softcover 2018

Something Needs to Change: A Call to Make Your Life Count... – David Platt

What happens when a well-known pastor and best-selling author has his deepest convictions rocked by darkness in the world around him? Fresh off a trek through some of the highest mountains and remotest villages in the world, David Platt found himself overwhelmed with seismic questions. He invites you to eat what he ate, drink what he drank, see the faces he saw, and feel the emotions he felt. Reading this book is not risk free. It will leave you transformed and determined to take action, starting right where you live. Hardcover 2019

The Story of Lottie Moon – Cathy Butler

This book is not the result of new, original research into Lottie Moon's life, and was not meant to be. Exhaustive research has already been done by many others. This story of Lottie Moon's life, told as a narrative, will help introduce her to a new audience. Softcover 2004

Technicolor: Inspiring Your Church to Embrace Multicultural Ministry – Mark Hearn

By the year 2050 the United States will no longer have a majority ethnic group. The nation's population will be majority-minority. A generation ago church members could tell their neighbors about Jesus and invite them to church easily because they shared a worldview. Those days are gone. In 2011 there were 57 languages served in the Duluth, GA school district. Your church is called to be on mission. God wants to use your church to reach the nations in your backyard. Learn how you can be equipped to make the shift to church in technicolor. Softcover 2017

Ten Percent: A Call to Biblical Stewardship – Ronnie W. Floyd

This Bible-based theologically sound stewardship emphasis includes a six-week sermon series and curriculum for Sunday School or small groups. This emphasis can be used in any size church to advance stewardship through a pastor-friendly approach focused on the local church. The book focuses on six principles, 1) God is the Owner of Everything, 2) We Own Absolutely Nothing, 3) Honor God with at Least the First Ten Percent, 4) Bring the Full Ten Percent to the Church, 5) Practice Over and Above Giving, 6) Focus on the Great Commission Always. Softcover 2020

The Unsaved Christian: Reaching Cultural Christianity with the Gospel – Dean Inserra

How do you share your faith with people who call themselves Christians but don't know Christ? You want your friends and family to follow Jesus wholeheartedly but broaching the topic of true conversion can feel intimidating and confusing. That's why we often just leave cultural Christians alone, hoping someday they'll get serious about Jesus on their own. But the truth is, cultural Christians are just as lost as their atheist counterparts, and we need a game plan for reaching them. Dean Inserra used to be a cultural Christian too. Today he leads a thriving church in the Bible Belt of America. He will:

- teach you how to identify and fully understand different types of cultural Christians
- offer appropriate starting points that lead to deeper conversations
- help you lovingly and confidently preach the gospel to the cultural Christians in your life

Cultural Christianity is a huge mission field in desperate need of laborers. Learn how your church can get equipped to gather in the harvest. Softcover 2019

The Unstuck Church: Equipping Churches to Experience Sustained Health – Tony Morgan

Is your church stuck in one place? Is it growing, diminishing, or somewhere in between? Regardless of where your church is today, it needs to stay focused on its greatest mission – to “go and make disciples of all nations.” Nothing else matters. The Unstuck Church is a call for honest assessment of where your church sits on the life cycle and a challenge to move forward.

Softcover 2017

Who Moved My Pulpit: Leading Change in the Church – Thom S. Rainer

Who Moved My Pulpit? may not be the exact question you are asking. But you're certainly asking questions about change in the church—where it's coming from, why it's happening, and how you're supposed to hang on and follow God through it—even get out ahead of it so your church is faithfully meeting its timeless calling and serving the new opportunities of this age. Based on conversations with thousands of pastors, this book shares an eight-stage roadmap to leading change in your church. Not by changing doctrine. Not by changing biblical foundations. But by changing methodologies and approaches for reaching a rapidly changing culture. You are the pastor. You are the church staff person. You are an elder. You are a deacon. You are a key lay leader in the church. This is the book that will equip you to celebrate, and lead change no matter the cost. Hardcover 2016

Win the Day: 7 Habits to Help You Stress Less & Accomplish More – Mark Batterson

This is the jump start you need to go after God-sized goals, one day at a time. There are seven powerful habits that can help you turn yesterday's regrets and tomorrow's anxieties into fuel for a better tomorrow. You will discover how to: flip the script, kiss the wave, eat the frog, fly the kite, cut the rope, wind the clock, and seed the clouds. Transform your perspective of a single day and you'll discover the potential waiting to be grasped at the beginning of each new sunrise. Hardcover 2020