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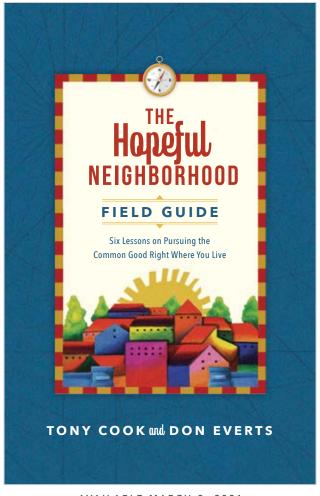
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80 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-4732-7, 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches, \$10.00, W, 108 bks/ctn RELIGION / CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

A practical, step-by-step field guide to go alongside the recent release The Hopeful Neighborhood

Purposefully written so that Christians and non-Christians could work through the process together

Based on time-tested yet accessible community development principles









ALSO AVAILABLE

**The Hopeful Neighborhood** 978-0-8308-4803-4, \$17.00

# THE HOPEFUL NEIGHBORHOOD FIELD GUIDE

SIX SESSIONS ON PURSUING THE COMMON GOOD RIGHT WHERE YOU LIVE

We all live somewhere. And we all want our neighborhoods to flourish. Many of us hope (and even pray) for our neighborhoods' well-being. But how do we actually pursue that?

This field guide answers this question by walking you through a simple, powerful process for blessing your own neighborhood. Tony Cook and Don Everts offer six sessions for discovering the gifts of your community, imagining the possibilities, and pursuing the common good. Exercises and assessments provide practical tools for bringing your hopes into concrete reality.

Join with others so that together you can increase the well-being of your local neighborhood.

#### PRAISE FOR THE HOPEFUL NEIGHBORHOOD

"The Hopeful Neighborhood is a critical read for anyone desiring to rebuild the social fabric of our communities. Change won't come from institutional leaders but from those on the street willing to do the hard work of listening, honoring our commonalities, and advancing good."

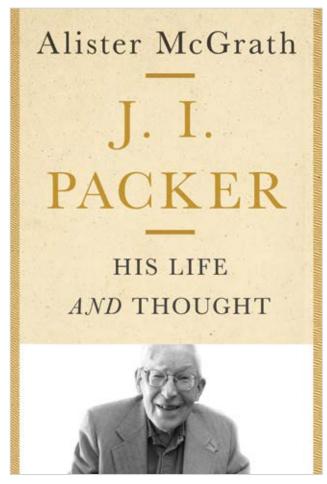
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"Put The Hopeful Neighborhood into practice, and you'll discover any grief you feel about the decline of the institutional church will be replaced by lively hope."

 $\mathsf{DALE}\ \mathsf{MEYER}$  , president of Concordia Seminary

**TONY COOK** is the executive director of The Hopeful Neighborhood Project and has served as vice president of global ministries at Lutheran Hour Ministries. He has also served as associate professor of practical theology at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.

**DON EVERTS** is a writer for Lutheran Hour Ministries and has served as a pastor and a campus minister. His many books include *The Reluctant Witness* and *The Spiritually Vibrant Home*.



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BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY / RELIGIOUS

Honors the legacy of J. I. Packer, a giant of the Christian faith who died in 2020

Explores Packer's theological and spiritual contributions from the perspective of a fellow bestselling author and personal friend



### J. I. PACKER

HIS LIFE AND THOUGHT

J. I. Packer was one of the most influential evangelical theological and spiritual writers of the twentieth century, best known for his classic work *Knowing God*. In the 1990s *Christianity Today* readers named him one of the most influential theologians of the twentieth century, second only to C. S. Lewis. But who was Jim Packer, and what is the story of the man behind the writings?

Alister McGrath, a bestselling author and friend of Packer, tells the story of Packer's faith and how it sustained him during his time in England and Canada. Along the way he explores Packer's many contributions to theology and spirituality, alternating narrative with reflection. By engagingly setting out Packer's ideas and the central themes of his work, McGrath helps to explain why Packer and his writing continue to be so helpful to millions on the journey of encountering God.

This beautiful recollection of a giant of the Christian faith is both a celebration of his life and the perfect introduction to his thought and writings for a new generation of readers.

"J. I. Packer's primary legacy is the influence he held over events in Christendom and over people's lives during his lifetime. . . . J. I. Packer gave evangelicals a place to stand in regard to the authority of the Bible."

LELAND RYKEN, Christianity Today, obituary, July 17, 2020

"Packer was magisterial in substance but adopted the tone of a fellow traveler. He convinced us that the study of God 'is the most practical project anyone can engage in.'"

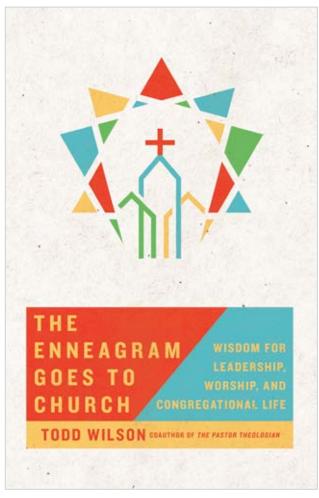
CHRISTIANITY TODAY, "The Top 50 Books
That Have Shaped Evangelicals"

"Like thousands of other pastors, I can say that Packer's work and witness are of inestimable value to me. He was a master of making the divide between doctrine and piety disappear."

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ALISTER McGRATH is the Andreas Idreos Professor of Science and Religion at Oxford University and fellow of Harris Manchester College, Oxford. He is the author of many academic and theological works, as well as the international bestseller The Dawkins Delusion, the acclaimed C. S. Lewis—A Life, and A Theory of Everything (That Matters).



### AVAILABLE MARCH 16, 2021

180 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-4682-5, 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches, \$18.00, W, 56 bks/ctn RELIGION / CHRISTIAN MINISTRY / PASTORAL RESOURCES

- Applies Enneagram wisdom to all aspects of ministry including preaching, worship, discipleship, and teambuilding
- Author has studied with bestselling author Suzanne Stabile in her Enneagram cohort program
- Perfect for pastors, church staff, and small group leaders



### THE ENNEAGRAM GOES TO CHURCH

WISDOM FOR LEADERSHIP, WORSHIP, AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

If I had known the Enneagram earlier in my ministry, I would have been a much better pastor.

When this thought came to Todd Wilson, he had already served as a pastor in several churches for the better part of fifteen years and was successfully leading a large, historic, and diverse congregation. But at its root, pastoral ministry is about shepherding, serving, leading, and loving people, and Todd realized that what he lacked was wisdom about how people work.

Whether you are on a church staff or leading a small group, you will find that the insights from the Enneagram that have helped many grow in self-awareness can be applied to life in our faith communities. The Enneagram can help us to become better teachers, and it can influence how we develop worship, practice discipleship, and lead teams. It's time to take the Enneagram to church—and to allow it to shape our life together.

"I use the Enneagram in all my coaching relationships. Todd does an excellent job exploring how the Enneagram can practically make a profound difference in our self-awareness and in our everyday leadership. This book is a tremendous tool."

 $\label{eq:name} {\sf NANCYBEACH},$  leadership coach and author of  ${\it Gifted\ to\ Lead}$ 

"For those who remain dubious about the Enneagram—its origins, its misuse—Todd Wilson is a theologically reliable guide."

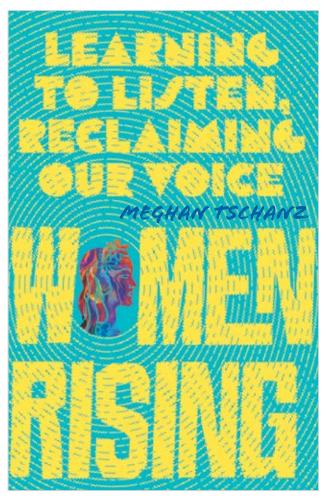
 $\label{eq:JENPOLLOCKMICHEL} \textit{JENPOLLOCKMICHEL},$  author of Surprised by Paradox and Teach Us to Want

"For those already sold on the Enneagram, this book will enrich their understanding and help them relate the Enneagram to church life. For those who are new to the Enneagram, this book will be a fascinating journey of discovery. For those who are skeptical but willing to give the Enneagram a chance, this book may surprise them by highlighting just how helpful a tool it can be."

GAVIN ORTLUND, senior pastor of First Baptist Church of Ojai, California



TODD WILSON is the president and cofounder of the Center for Pastor Theologians and the former senior pastor of Calvary Memorial Church. He holds a PhD from University of Cambridge and is the author of Mere Sexuality and Real Christian, as well as coauthor of The Pastor Theologian. He and his family live in Oak Park, Illinois.



#### AVAILABLE MARCH 23, 2021

208 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-4778-5, 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches, \$17.00, W, 48 bks/ctn RELIGION / CHRISTIAN LIVING / WOMEN'S ISSUES

- Tells the awe-inspiring stories of marginalized women who have overcome extreme violence
- Considers how the church has been complicit in systems of injustice for women
- Points to a biblical standard for gender equality



### **WOMEN RISING**

LEARNING TO LISTEN, RECLAIMING OUR VOICE

Fresh out of college and searching for meaning, Meghan Tschanz left everything to join a mission trip around the globe. She befriended women around the world who had survived everything from sex trafficking to female genital mutilation. Through listening to their stories, Meghan started to notice a pattern—one that pointed to systems of injustice that harmed and held women back—systems, Meghan realized, she was often complicit in. She was changed.

Returning to the United States, Meghan became keenly aware of how the teachings surrounding women in her own upbringing were part of the problem. In the process, she began to find her voice, one that spoke out against injustice and moved her into tension with her Christian community.

This is Meghan's personal journey of transformation. But it's also a Christian blueprint for anyone wanting to confront injustice against women while pointing to a biblical standard for gender equality. With humility and grit, Meghan calls Christian women to amplify their voices for righteousness—and she calls the church to listen.

"Meghan Tschanz has done something very important. . . . She doesn't just describe the issues, she drills deeper to explore how the church's gender theology is part of the problem and needs to be reexamined against this wide-angle perspective. Vital reading for both women and men."

CAROLYN CUSTIS JAMES, author of Half the Church

"Tschanz's book is a clarion call to respond to gender inequality and join with women in their dignity and empowerment worldwide. Books like this change lives and can transform the world."

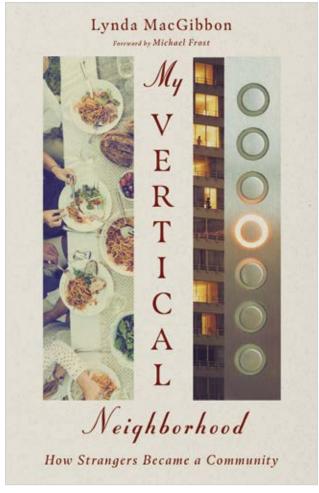
 ${\sf GRAHAM\ JOSEPH\ HILL,\ author\,of\ Holding\ Up\ Half\ the\ Sky}$ 

"[Tschanz] calls Christians to imagine a world as God meant it to be: all God's daughters being liberated to lead, serve, and stand up for truth and justice. If you've ever wondered if God has good news for women, this book is for you."

KATELYN BEATY, author of A Woman's Place



**MEGHAN TSCHANZ** is a writer, speaker, and former missionary who is passionate about empowering women and reclaiming feminism for the Christian faith. A 2010 graduate of the University of Colorado, she's a prolific blogger and host of the *Faith and Feminism* podcast. She and her husband, Dustin, live in northeast Georgia.



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157 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-4740-2, 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches, \$17.00, W, 60 bks/ctn RELIGION / CHRISTIAN MINISTRY / EVANGELISM

- An engaging narrative of loving our actual neighbors

  Wrestles with the everyday challenges of living out the gospel among our non-Christian neighbors
- Addresses the unique difficulties of building meaningful relationships in contemporary urban life



### MY VERTICAL NEIGHBORHOOD

HOW STRANGERS BECAME A COMMUNITY

What if our neighbors were our friends? When Lynda MacGibbon moved from a small city in eastern Canada to a high-rise apartment in Toronto, she decided to follow Jesus' famous commandment to "love your neighbor" a bit more literally. In the past, she would have looked first for friends at her new job or her new church. This time, though, she decided to look for friends among the strangers who shared her apartment building—her actual neighbors in her new "vertical neighborhood."

In this charming and relatable memoir, MacGibbon tells the story of the community that took shape as neighbors said yes to weekly dinners and a writing group, Christmas morning brunch, and even a Bible study. It's a story of the simple, everyday risk of reaching out with love to those around us and of the beauty and messiness of real human relationships. It's a story of the risks—and rewards—of taking Jesus at his word.

"My Vertical Neighborhood is not so much a manual on how to be an urban missionary as it is a gentle, inspiring memoir about neighborliness itself and the way God works through us when we submit to the practices of humility, presence, and otherliness."

 $\mbox{MICHAEL}$   $\mbox{FROST},$  from the foreword

"This is not a how-to book, but it is encouraging, inspiring, and a little bit wonderful. It shows that it is possible to love our neighbor in a fragmented world and to build community one friendship at a time."

 $\mbox{NIGEL}$  D.  $\mbox{POLLOCK}$  , president of InterVarsity Canada

"Riveting, fascinating, authentic, vulnerable, funny this book grabbed me and I could not put it down.... Caught up in the quirky lives of Brian and Rachel and Yolanda, we see how community can flower in sterile spaces and urban hangouts can be sanctified."

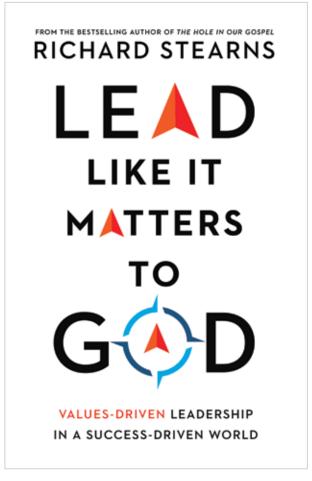
MIRIAM ADENEY, author of Kingdom Without Borders

"The storytelling in My Vertical Neighborhood is both masterful and mesmerizing. . . . MacGibbon dares us to dive deeper into developing bona fide friendships with neighbors whose lived experiences might differ from our own."

 ${\sf ERIC}\ \ {\sf LIGE}\ ,\ {\sf music}\ {\sf director}\ {\sf of}\ {\sf the}\ {\sf Ethnos}\ {\sf Global}\ {\sf Network}$ 

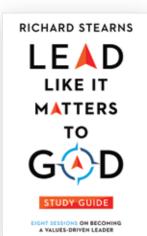


LYNDA MACGIBBON is vice president of People and Culture for InterVarsity Canada. Before working for InterVarsity, she was a journalist for over twenty years. She lives in Toronto.



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#### STUDY GUIDE

8 SESSIONS



### LEAD LIKE IT MATTERS TO GOD

VALUES-DRIVEN LEADERSHIP IN A SUCCESS-DRIVEN WORLD.

Richard Stearns is a leader who has been tested both as a CEO in secular companies and also as the head of one of the world's largest Christian ministries. In *Lead Like It Matters to God*, he shares the leadership principles he has learned over the course of his remarkable career, inspiring a new generation of Christian leaders to boldly take their values into their workplaces.

With wisdom, wit, and biblical teaching, Stearns shares captivating stories of his life journey and unpacks seventeen crucial values that can transform leaders and their organizations. When leaders embody values such as integrity, courage, excellence, forgiveness, humility, surrender, balance, generosity, perseverance, love, excellence, and encouragement, they not only improve their witness for Christ, they also shape institutions, influence culture, improve team performance, and create healthy workplaces where people can flourish.

"I'm thrilled to read this book and gladly commend Rich to you as the perfect person to write it."

MAXLUCADO, pastor and author

"Embrace these seventeen leadership values and you will become a better leader and a better ambassador for Christ."

JOHN C. MAXWELL, author of The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership

"Rich Stearns opens his heart and shares his own experience in the struggle of becoming—and remaining—a leader who demonstrates the values of what matters most to God."

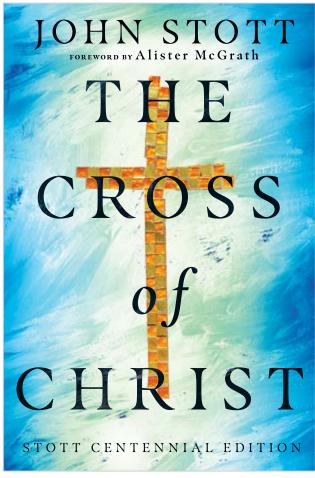
TOD BOLSINGER, author of Canoeing the Mountains

"In a culture that often obsesses about success at all costs, Richard Stearns has given both the church and the larger culture an important and timely resource."

EUGENE CHO, president of Bread for the World



RICHARD STEARNS is president emeritus of World Vision US, where he served as president for twenty years after a career as a corporate CEO at both Parker Brothers and Lenox. His bestselling book *The Hole in Our Gospel* was named the 2010 Christian Book of the Year. Among the honors Stearns has received are five honorary doctoral degrees, the Julia Vadala Taft Outstanding Leadership Award from InterAction, and the Christian Leadership Alliance's highest honor. Rich and his wife, Reneé, live in Bellevue, Washington.



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Special edition celebrates the one hundredth birthday of John Stott

Includes a study guide, an updated foreword, and a new timeline of Stott's life



# THE CROSS OF CHRIST (STOTT CENTENNIAL EDITION)

With compelling honesty John Stott confronts readers with the centrality of the cross in God's redemption of our pain-filled world. Why should an object of Roman distaste and Jewish disgust be the emblem of our worship and the axiom of our faith? And what does it mean for us today?

From one of the foremost preachers and Christian leaders of his generation, *The Cross of Christ* is a classic, accessible, and compelling look at the work of Christ. More than a study of the atonement, this book brings Scripture into living dialogue with Christian theology and contemporary issues. What emerges is a pattern for Christian life and worship, hope and mission.

In honor of John Stott's one hundredth birthday, this centennial edition includes an updated foreword by Alister McGrath and a new timeline of Stott's life. A study guide equips individuals and groups to more deeply reflect on and apply the book's message.

"This, more than any book he has written, is his masterpiece."

J. I. PACKER, author of Knowing God

"There are not many 'must-read' books—books that belong on every minister's shelf, and on the shelves of thoughtful laypersons who want a better grasp of what is central in Scripture—but this is one of them."

 $D\,.\,$  A .  $\,$  C A R S O N , Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

"Outside of the Bible itself, this may be the best book I've ever read on the cross of Christ."

ANNE GRAHAM LOTZ, author of Just Give Me Jesus

"My wife and I consider The Cross of Christ one of the outstanding books of all times."

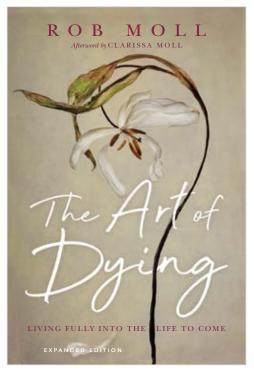
LUIS PALAU, international evangelist

"I have no hesitation in saying that this is the most enriching theological book I have ever read."

A J I T H  $\,$  F E R N A N D O , teaching director, Youth for Christ, Sri Lanka



JOHN STOTT (1921–2011) was known worldwide as a preacher, evangelist, and communicator of Scripture. He served as rector of All Souls Church in London and was a principal framer of the landmark Lausanne Covenant (1974). His many books, including Basic Christianity, The Cross of Christ, and Christian Mission in the Modern World, have sold millions of copies.



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5 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches, \$18.00, W, 48 bks/ctn
RELIGION / CHRISTIAN LIVING / BEREAVEMENT

# THE ART OF DYING (EXPANDED EDITION)

LIVING FULLY INTO THE LIFE TO COME

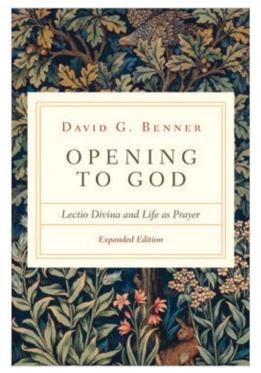
Christians can have confidence that because death is not the end, preparing to die helps us truly live. In this well-researched and pastorally sensitive book, Rob Moll explores the Christian practice of dying well, giving guidance for those who care for the dying as well as for those who grieve.

A decade after Rob wrote this book, he died in a hiking accident at age forty-one. This edition includes a new afterword by his wife, Clarissa Moll, reflecting on Rob's life, death, and legacy.



**ROB MOLL** (1977–2019) was an award-winning journalist and communications professional. His career included roles such as editor for *Christianity Today* and communications officer for World Vision, and his writing appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*, *Books & Culture*, and *Leadership*. He was also the author of *What Your Body Knows About God*.





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RELIGION / CHRISTIAN LIVING / PRAYER

# **OPENING TO GOD (EXPANDED EDITION)**

LECTIO DIVINA AND LIFE AS PRAYER

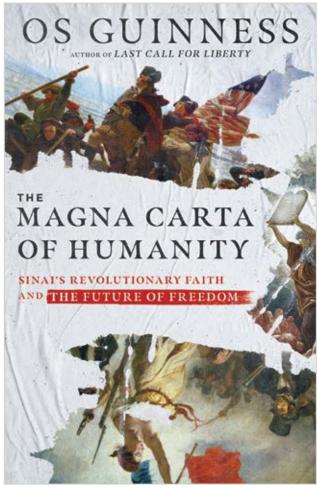
Prayer is not merely something we do; prayer is what God does in us. Prayer is not just communication with God; it is communion with God. As we open ourselves to him, God does the spiritual work of transformation in us.

Using the four movements of lectio divina, Benner explores prayer as attending, pondering, responding, and being, opening us to a world of possibilities for communion with God. This expanded edition includes a new afterword and an experiential guide with questions for individual reflection or group discussion.



**DAVID G. BENNER** is an internationally known depth psychologist, author, and wisdom teacher. He is the founding director, teacher, and mentor of Cascadia Living Wisdom. He has authored many books, including The Spiritual Journey trilogy: Surrender to Love, The Gift of Being Yourself, and Desiring God's Will.





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RELIGION / RELIGION, POLITICS & STATE

Contrasts the secular French Revolution with the faithled revolution of ancient Israel in Exodus

Charts a way forward for how to think about freedom and civic life today

From bestselling author and social critic Os Guinness



### THE MAGNA CARTA OF HUMANITY

SINAI'S REVOLUTIONARY FAITH AND THE FUTURE OF FREEDOM

In these stormy times, loud voices from all fronts call for revolution and change. But what kind of revolution brings true freedom to both society and the human soul?

Cultural observer Os Guinness contrasts secular revolutions such as the French Revolution and the faithled revolution of ancient Israel. He argues that the story of Exodus is the highest, richest, and deepest vision for freedom in human history. It serves as the master story of human freedom and provides the greatest sustained critique of the abuse of power. His contrast between "Paris" and "Sinai" offers a framework for discerning between two kinds of revolution and their different views of human nature, equality, and liberty.

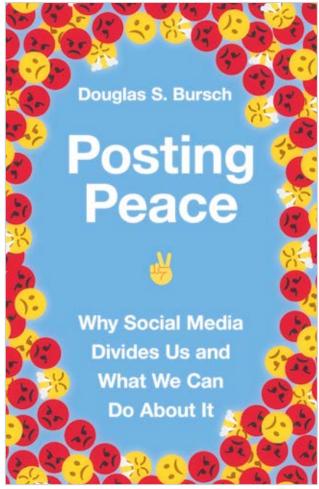
Drawing on the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures, Guinness develops Exodus as the Magna Carta of humanity, with a constructive vision of a morally responsible society of independent free people who are covenanted to each other and to justice, peace, stability, and the common good of the community. This is the model from the past that charts our path to the future.

As individuals and as a people, we must choose between the revolutions, between faith in God and faith in Reason alone, between freedom and despotism, and between life and death.



**OS GUINNESS** was born in China and educated in England. He is the author or editor of thirty-five books, including *The Call, Renaissance, Fool's Talk, Carpe Diem Redeemed,* and *Last Call for Liberty.* He has been a visiting fellow at the Brookings Institution and a senior fellow at the EastWest Institute. A frequent speaker and prominent social critic, he has addressed audiences worldwide.

A passionate advocate of freedom of religion and conscience for people of all faiths and none, he was the lead drafter for both the Williamsburg Charter and the Global Charter of Conscience. He lives with his wife, Jenny, in the Washington, DC, area.



### AVAILABLE APRIL 20, 2021

224 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-4780-8, 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches, \$17.00, W, 48 bks/ctn RELIGION / CHRISTIAN LIVING / SOCIAL ISSUES

Provides communication and technological insight into why social media is polarizing and divisive

Offers practical ways to model online peacemaking and reconciliation

Includes questions for reflection or group discussion as well as #PostingPeace social media challenges



### **POSTING PEACE**

### WHY SOCIAL MEDIA DIVIDES US AND WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT IT

Why is everyone so angry online? The internet seems to have brought the world together only so that we can tear each other apart. Social media platforms have become toxic and polarizing environments. Many of us are overwhelmed and disillusioned by the endless online conflict and negativity. How did we get here, and what can we do about it?

The internet is changing not only how we communicate but also what we communicate. Pastor and former radio host Douglas Bursch provides a spiritual examination of why social media divides people and how Christians can address polarization through a ministry of peacemaking. He unpacks how technology radically changes the way we communicate—digital media dehumanizes and disembodies us, dulling our ability to know when to speak and when to remain silent.

But healthy online communication is possible through a constructive posture of reconciliation. Bursch offers practical examples of how to proactively manage social media and handle online conflict in redemptive, reconciling ways. Discover how we can use social media in a positive, Christ-like manner.

"This book is a challenging and joyful read absolutely relevant to now!"

 $PAUL\ YOUNG$ , author The Shack

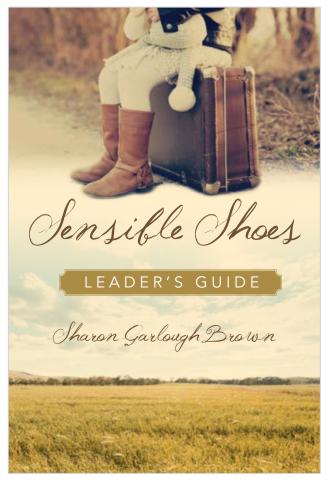
"I've always wondered, what if we took the Sermon on the Mount seriously in our digital environments? Finally, someone has shown us how. Bursch's lucid analysis, laser-pointed research, and witty and whimsical writing not only teach us of digital peace-making, they model it."

A.J. SWOBODA, author of After Doubt



### DOUGLAS S. BURSCH is

copastor of Evergreen Foursquare Church in Auburn, Washington. He has taught theology courses as adjunct faculty for Life Pacific College and Life Ministry Institute, and he earned a DMin from George Fox Evangelical Seminary. A former newspaper columnist and talk radio host, Doug has produced and hosted over 1,200 Christian radio broadcasts. He is the producer and host of the *Fairly Spiritual Show* radio program and podcast.



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### SENSIBLE SHOES LEADER'S GUIDE

Blending a fictional story with nonfiction teaching elements, *Sensible Shoes* was written by spiritual director Sharon Brown for the purpose of bringing God's healing and spiritual transformation into the lives of readers traveling in community. Is there an invitation here for you to bring this message to your community?

The Sensible Shoes Leader's Guide offers two ways to invite readers into a deeper journey: first, there are resources here for a twelve-week small group experience through the Sensible Shoes Study Guide. Each week you'll be provided with a few prayer prompts for your work as a leader, tips for facilitating the group, and behind-the-scenes information about the characters and their journeys that can be used as opening materials for your sessions.

The second set of resources in this guide relates to leading a retreat based on *Sensible Shoes*. After years of creating and speaking at "Sensible Shoes Retreats," Brown offers here additional content to help you design the ideal space for your context as you gather people in longer sessions to experience this material. In addition to one-day, weekend, and online schedules, there are many creative ideas from leaders of groups who have used *Sensible Shoes* for retreats over the years.



### SHARON GARLOUGH BROWN

is a spiritual director, speaker, and cofounder of Abiding Way Ministries, providing spiritual formation retreats and resources. She is the author of the bestselling Sensible Shoes Series, which includes spiritual fiction novels Sensible Shoes, Two Steps Forward, Barefoot, An Extra Mile, and their study guides. She is also the author of Shades of Light and Remember Me.

A graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, Sharon has served on the pastoral staff of congregations in Scotland, Oklahoma, England, and most recently in West Michigan, where she copastored with her husband, Jack, for many years. In March 2013 her book *Sensible Shoes* was named one of television personality Kathie Lee Gifford's "favorite things."

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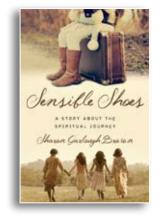
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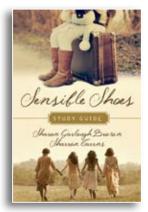
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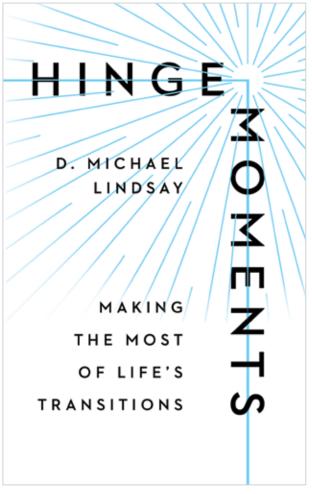




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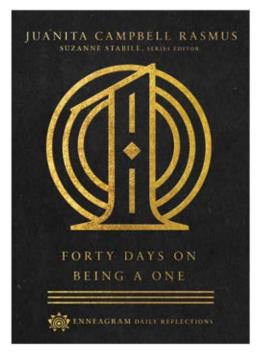
Lindsay maintains that getting these moments right can change our lives for the better, and getting them wrong can pose problems for years to come: "Some transitions have a disproportionate impact on our happiness, our contribution to society, and our family's well-being."

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**D. MICHAEL LINDSAY** serves as the eighth president of Gordon College. Prior to arriving at Gordon, Lindsay was a member of the sociology faculty at Rice University, where he won multiple awards for both his teaching and scholarly research. The author of two dozen scholarly publications, Lindsay's Faith in the Halls of Power was nominated for the nonfiction Pulitzer Prize in 2007. His book View from the Top won two awards and has been translated into Chinese and Japanese.

As a scholar and educational leader, Lindsay has lectured on six continents and works tirelessly to create opportunities worldwide for Gordon students, faculty, and staff. He earned his PhD in sociology from Princeton University and has graduate theological degrees from Wycliffe Hall at Oxford University and Princeton Theological Seminary.



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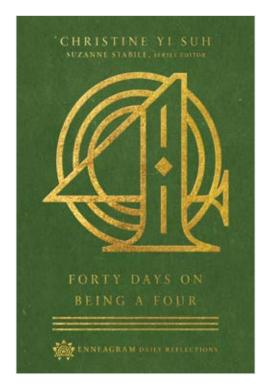
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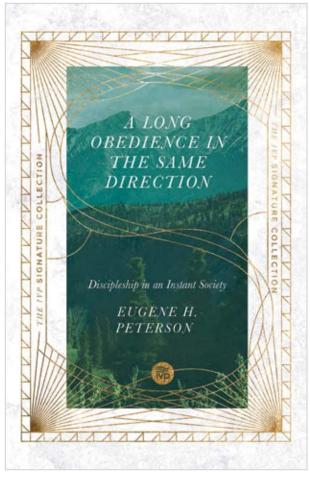
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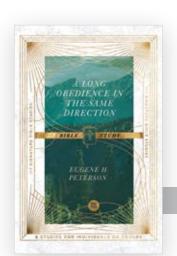


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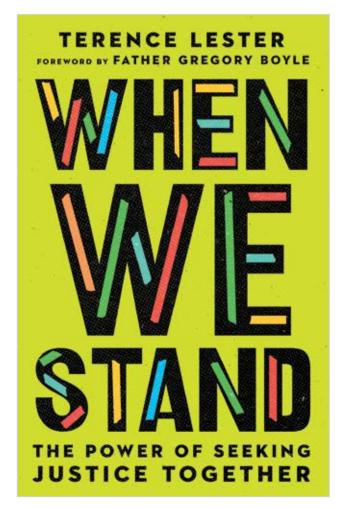
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Would you like to live into your yes?

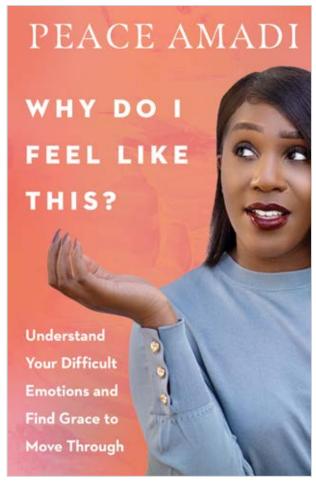
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### WHY DO I FEEL LIKE THIS?

UNDERSTAND YOUR DIFFICULT EMOTIONS AND FIND GRACE TO MOVE THROUGH

"Why do I feel this way?"

Sometimes life is a mess and we get overwhelmed by all sorts of conflicting, difficult emotions. We might be stressed or weary, anxious or fearful, paralyzed by insecurity or crushed by pain. Worse yet, some well-meaning people invalidate our feelings and tell us to just cheer up and forget our worries.

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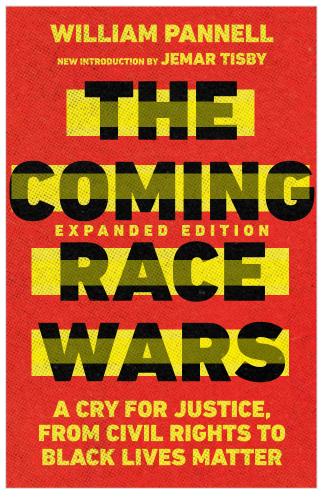
With insights from both psychology and Scripture, this book offers you a clear plan to get your peace and freedom back and find your joy again.



**PEACE AMADI** is a psychology professor, speaker, children's book author, content creator, and host. She holds a BA in psychology from UCLA and a masters and doctorate in psychology from Azusa Pacific University.

As a woman of faith, she uses her various platforms to bridge the gap between mental health and faith for the purposes of engaging a deeper healing journey. As a woman of Nigerian descent, she calls for reflection on how healing is affected by culture and family.

In Peace's personal time, she enjoys creating meaningful moments with friends and family, sweet iced coffees, and digging up stories she'll find some new way to share.



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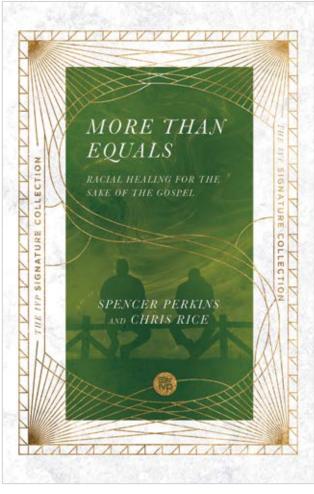
Pannell's 1993 book sparked controversy, with critics dismissing him as an alarmist. Back then, Pannell was among a scant number of Black evangelical leaders who were calling the evangelical church to account on issues of racial justice. Now, nearly thirty years later, his words are as timely as ever. Some would even argue that the "race war" has arrived.

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william Pannell is professor emeritus of preaching at Fuller Seminary, where he taught from 1974 until his retirement in 2014 and where the William E. Pannell Center for African American Church Studies is named for him. Before Fuller, he served in leadership roles with Youth for Christ and Tom Skinner Associates. His previous books include My Friend, the Enemy and Evangelism from the Bottom Up. He and his wife, Hazel, live near Pasadena.

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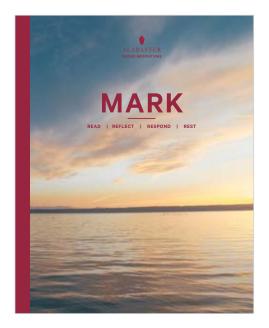
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SPENCER PERKINS, until his death in 1998, worked with the John M. Perkins Foundation for Reconciliation and Development and was editor-in-chief of the magazine *Urban Family*. For twelve years he and Chris Rice and their families lived together in the Antioch Community and served as elders of Voice of Calvary Fellowship Church in Jackson, Mississippi.



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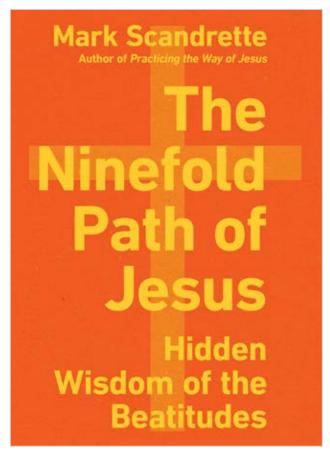
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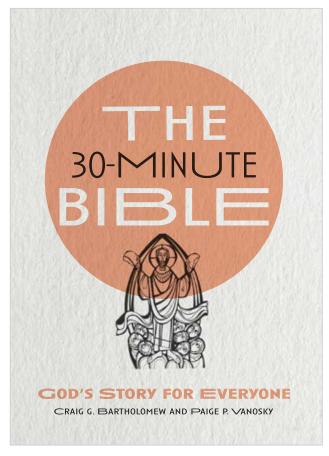
The Beatitudes point us toward what is real and true. We are not helpless. We have the power to seek justice and do good. Mercy triumphs over judgment. We can stop hiding and pretending and start being honest.

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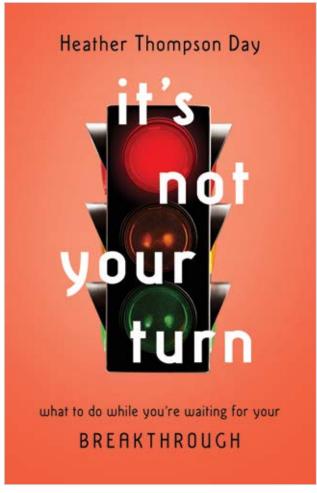


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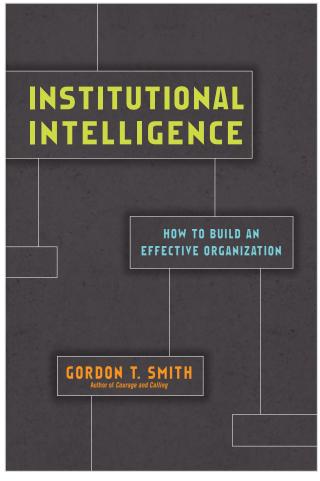
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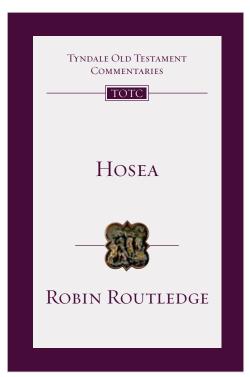
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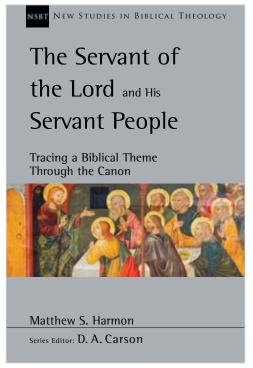
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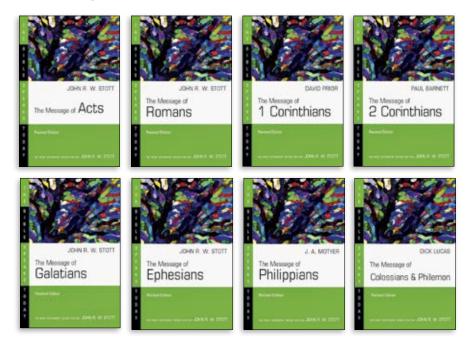
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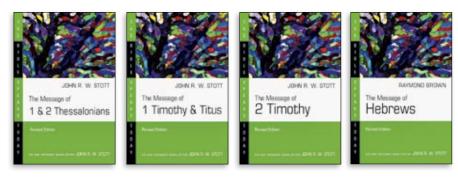
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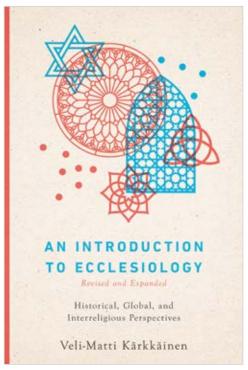
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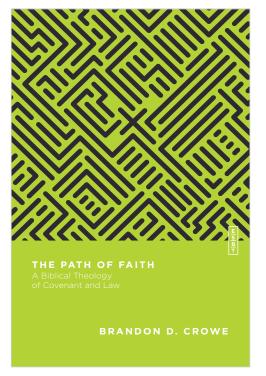
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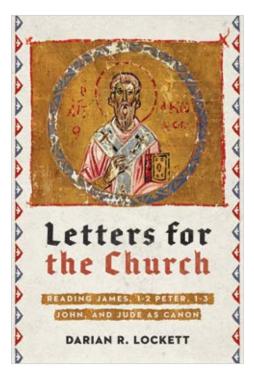
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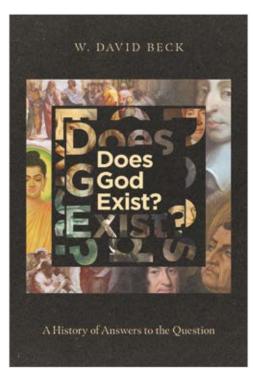
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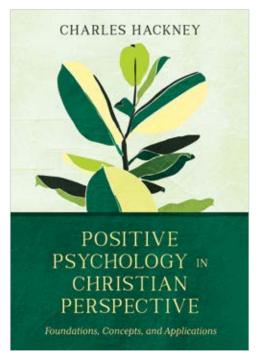
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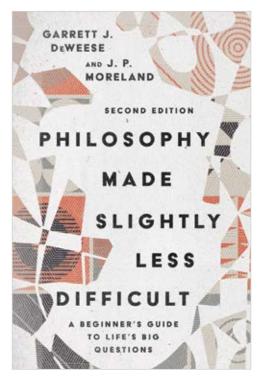
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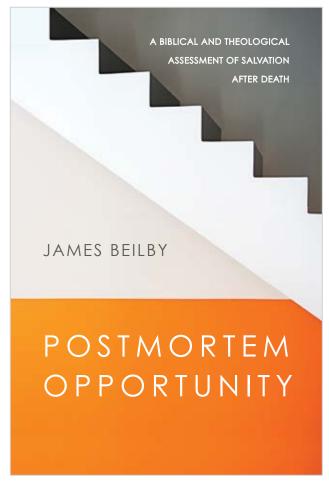
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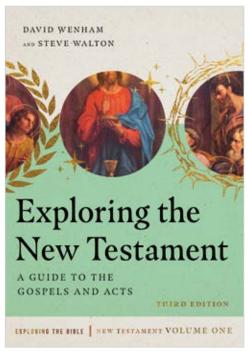
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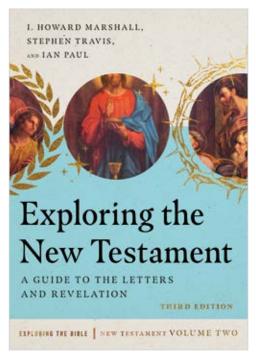
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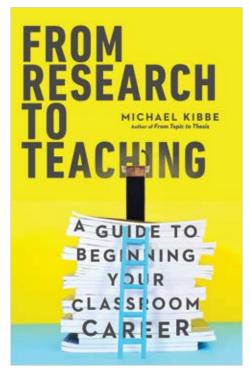




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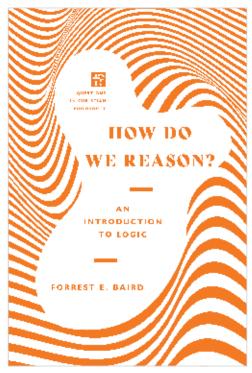
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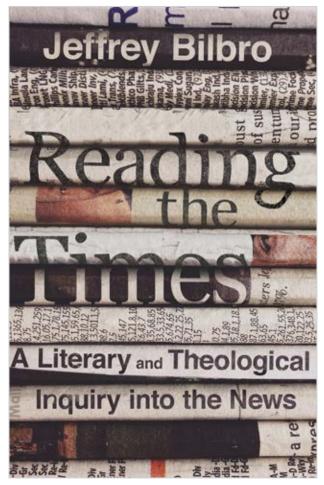
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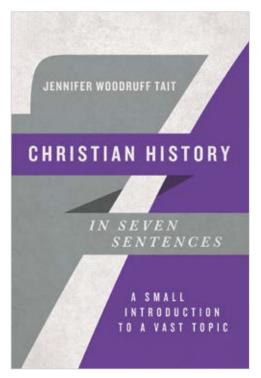
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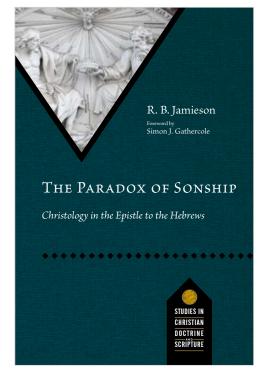
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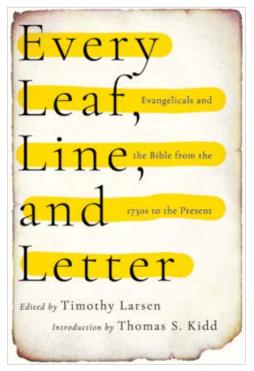
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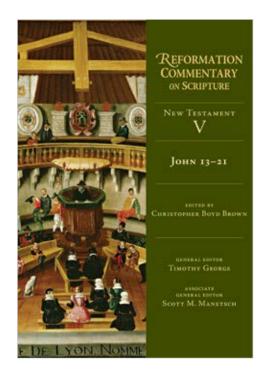
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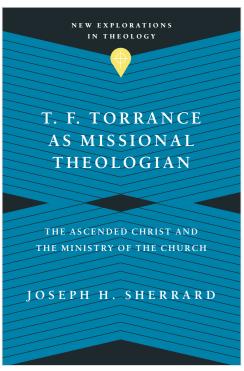
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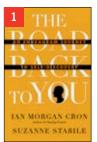
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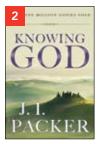


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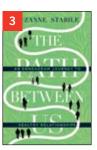
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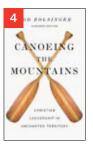
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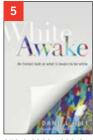
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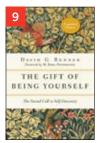
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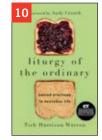
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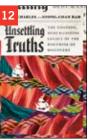
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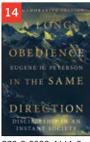
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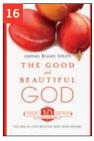
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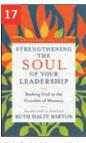
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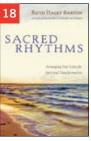
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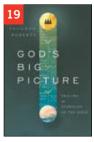
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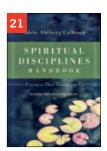
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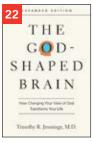
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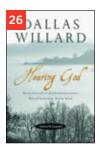


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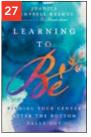


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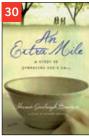
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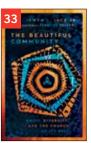
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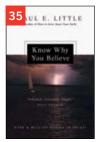
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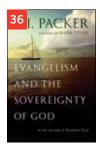
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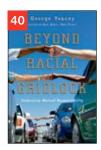
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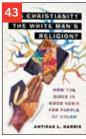
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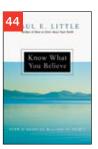
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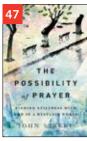
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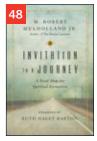
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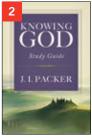


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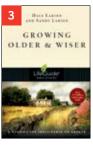
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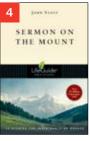
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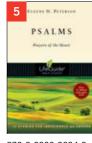
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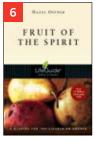
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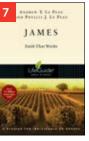
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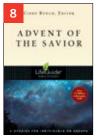
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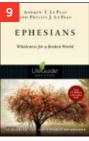
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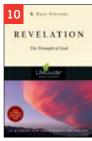
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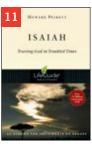
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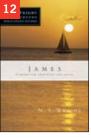
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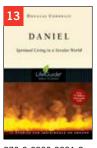
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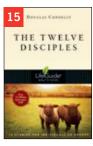
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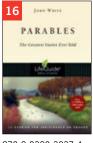
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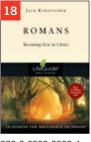
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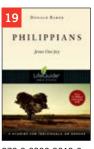
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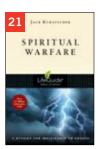
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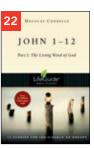
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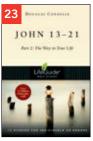
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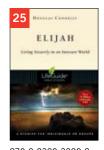
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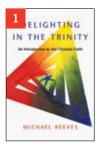


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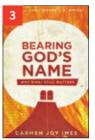
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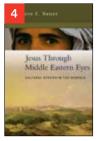
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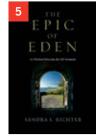
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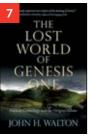
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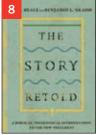
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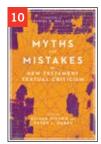
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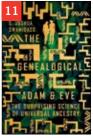
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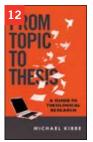
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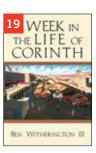
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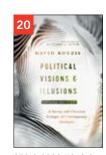
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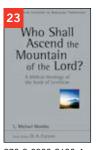
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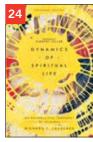
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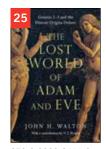
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