

# COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

## 2009 Suggested Reading List

- Anderson, Neil T. *The Path to Reconciliation, Connecting People to God and to Each Other*, Regal/Gospel Light, 2008. "Every fruit bearing ministry must begin with a righteous relationship with God."
- Arthur, Kay and Pete DeLacy. *Key Principles of Biblical Fasting*, WaterBrook Press, 2008. A wonderful summer study on fasting by the founder of Precept Ministries International. A great help in understanding the benefits of fasting and praying effectively. Good reference for CBS fasting days.
- Authers, Donna M. *A Sacred Walk*, A & A Publishing, [www.asacredwalk.com](http://www.asacredwalk.com), 2008. The subtitle of this book is *Dispelling the Fear of Death and Caring for the Dying*. Stephen Ministry promoted the book in January as their newest resource for caregivers. Donna has participated in CBS in Ridgefield, CT and now serves as ATD in the Charlottesville, VA Day class.
- Blackaby, Henry & Melvin. *Experiencing the Spirit, The Power of Pentecost Every Day*, Multnomah Books, 2009. "Experience the final step of fully living in the peace, joy, power, and purpose of God, and release His ultimate promise in the lives around you."
- Bridges, Jerry. *Holiness Day by Day*, NavPress, 2008. Transformational Thoughts for Your Spiritual Journey. A Fifty-two week devotional book.
- Briscoe, Jill. *There's A Snake in My Garden*, Monarch Books, 2008. Originally published in 1975, now revised and republished; Jill's spiritual autobiography as one of today's outstanding Christian communicators.
- Hamilton, Denise. *Trials to Treasure*, Xulon Press, 2008. A Bible study presenting a Biblical perspective and tools to help with appropriate responses; Ideal for small group studies.
- Hession, Roy. *The Calvary Road*. Christian Literature Crusade, 1990. This is one of the most influential books on personal revival ever written! It was first published in 1950 and now includes an additional chapter "40 Years Later." On the list again this year. Mandatory reading for all of us!
- Hession, Roy. *When I saw Him*, Christian Literature Crusade, 2006. What does it mean to catch a fresh vision of God? Read by Camilla this year and a huge blessing! Could bring fresh revival to all!
- Keller, Timothy. *The Prodigal God, Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith*, Dutton, 2008. Newsweek called New York Times bestselling author Tim Keller a "C. S. Lewis for the twenty-first century."
- Keller, Timothy. *The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism*, Dutton Publishers, 2008. Billy Graham said "Tim Keller's ministry in New York City is leading a generation of seekers and skeptics toward belief in God. I thank God for him." Recommended again from 2008 list.

- Larson, Dotty. *Flight 2031, A Journey into Eternity*, Blest Press, Temecula, CA [www.dottylarson.com](http://www.dottylarson.com), 2009. Our own Dotty's new book teaching the Gospel of John with personal illustrations from her life; a powerful book to read, but especially to give to those seeking the truth of eternal life. Release date May 1, 2009.
- Myers, Ruth. *A Treasury of Praise, Enjoying God Anew*, Multnomah Books, 2007. Ruth and her late husband served with The Navigators in Asia for many years, teaching others how to gain a deeper, richer experience with God and His Word. Author of bestseller, *31 Days of Praise*.
- Pearcey, Nancy. *Total Truth: Liberating Christianity from Its Cultural Captivity*, Crossway Books, 2004. A scholar for worldview studies; One reviewer stated that "if you buy only one book this year, this would be the book at the top of the list."
- Reeder, Harry L. III. with Rod Gragg. *The Leadership Dynamic, A Biblical Model for Raising Effective Leaders*, Crossway Books, 2008. Great book with the goal of re-establishing the body of Christ so we may hear said once again "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also." (Acts 17:6).
- Scott, Steven K. *The Greatest Words Ever Spoken*, WaterBrook Press, 2008. Over 1,900 statements of Jesus organized under more than 200 topics. A great reference book and powerful because of the words of our Lord Jesus Christ in the NIV;
- Stanley, Andy. *The Principle of the Path*, Thomas Nelson Publishers, 2008. The subtitle is "How to Get from Where You Are to Where You Want to Be." Filled with biblical principles to help you walk in the path that will produce the best results— hopefully without too many regrets.
- Stanley, Charles F. *In Step With God, Understanding His Ways and Plans for Your Life*, Thomas Nelson, 2008. Learn how to gain greater intimacy with God by watching for His goodness in day-to-day life.
- Smith, Stephen W. *The Lazarus Life, Spiritual Transformation for Ordinary People*, David C. Cook, 2008. Recommended highly by Gordon MacDonald, author, pastor and friend of CBS. Camilla has heard Stephen speak and present this message. Excellent!
- Swindoll, Charles R. *The Greatest Life of All Jesus*, Thomas Nelson, 2008. One of the Profiles in Character series.
- Tada, Joni Eareckson. *A Lifetime of Wisdom*, Zondervan, 2009. Joni shares from her experience of "embracing the way God heals you" You will be encouraged "to live life victoriously in the face of disappointments and challenges we all face."
- Trocconi, Kathy and Ellie Lofaro. *Spaghetti for the Soul*, WaterBrook Press, 2008. Ellie was in CBS leadership in Virginia. This is a practical feast for your spiritual life with wit and humor.
- Willmer, Wesley K., Editor. *Revolution in Generosity, Transforming Stewards to be Rich Toward God*, Moody Publishers, 2008. Foreword by Charles Colson.

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- Arterburn, Stephen and Sam Gallucci. *Road Warrior*, Waterbrook Press, 2008. Sam is a former Teaching Director for CBS. This is a book on how to keep your faith, relationship, and integrity when away from home.
- Anderson, Neil. *The Path to Reconciliation: Connecting People to God and Each Other*, Regal Books, 2008. Neil highlights our deeply personal need for reconciliation by practicing repentance, reparation, and forgiveness.
- Arp, David and Claudia, John and Margaret Bell. *Fixing Family Friction*, Focus on the Family by Tynedale House Publisher, Inc., 2008. A practical blueprint for showing how we should be both loving and strong as we deal with our immediate and extended families.
- Baker, Howard. *The One True Thing*, NavPress, 2007. Howard Baker says that every human yearning at its core is a desire for God. The author uses great writers of the past and biblical stories to guide us through stages of pursuing God: seeking, choosing, and ultimately valuing Him above all else.
- Barry, Michael S. *A Reason for Hope*, Cook Communications Ministries, 2004. Written by one of our Children's Director's husband for the purpose of helping others in their fight against cancer. *A Season for Hope and The Art of Caregiving are also wonderful books to help the patient and the caregivers.*
- Blackaby, Henry and Richard. *God In the Market Place*, B & H Publishing Group, 2008. This book has answers to the most pressing issues Christian businesspeople face today in six categories: personal life, family life, business life, devotional life, church life and community life.
- Blackaby, Richard. *Unlimiting God*, Multnomah, 2008. Inspires a new level of walking with God by showing us we should not settle for less than God intends for us.
- Buck, Janie and Mary Lou Davis. *Flight Path*, Christian Focus Publications, Ltd. reprinted 2006. A biography of Frank Barker, Jr., beloved pastor of the Seabolts when they lived in Birmingham. A portrait of a powerful, God-called and commissioned servant impacting the Kingdom of God.
- Baucham, Voddie T. Jr. *Family Driven Faith: Doing What it Takes to Raise Sons and Daughters Who Walk with God*, Good News Publishers, 2007. The book promotes home-based discipleship and child rearing. Challenges parents and the Church to save a generation that is rapidly walking away from the faith.
- Briscoe, Jill. *The Garden of Grace*, Monarch Books, 2007. Jill Briscoe challenges us with this statement, "The first time I noticed things were radically different was when I invited Him to read the Book to me, instead of me reading it to Him."
- Colson, Charles, and Harold Fickett. *The Faith: What Christian Believe, Why They Believe It, and Why It Matters*, Zondervan, 2008. Response for Christ followers who want to be prepared to defend their faith intelligently and passionately.
- DeMoss, Nancy Leigh and Dannah Gresh. *Lies Young Women Believe*, Moody Publishers, 2008. One of our favorite authors and CBS speakers explains how young women can be set free by knowing the Truth.

DeStefano, Anthony. *Ten Prayers God Always Says Yes To*, Doubleday, 2007. This book is recommended by the National Day of Prayer Task Force in Colorado Springs.

Elmer, Duane. *Cross-Cultural Conflict*, Inter-Varsity Press, 1993. This book is an excellent resource for those traveling and ministering internationally. Each Caleb reads this in preparation.

Engstrom, Ted W. *The Essential Engstrom*, Authentic Publishing, 2007. Proven principles of leadership edited by Timothy J. Beals. Ted Engstrom left an enduring legacy of leadership from his positions as president, CEO and board member of many of the most influential for-profit and not-for-profit companies in North America. A wonderful summary to aid any leader.

Engstrom, Ted and Paul Cedar. *Compassionate Leadership. Regal Books from Gospel Light, 2006*. Examines the life of the Lord Jesus Christ as the ultimate servant leader and invites younger leaders to learn with the authors as they examine His guiding legacy.

Geisler, Norman L. and Frank Turek. *I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist*, Crossway Books, Good News Publishers, 2004. Highly recommended by Lee Strobel and Josh McDowell! A book well worth the read to be well equipped to handle the onslaught of secular ideologies facing the college students of today.

Hession, Roy. *The Calvary Road*. Christian Literature Crusade, 1990. This is one of the most influential books on personal revival ever written! It was first published in 1950 and now includes an additional chapter "40 Years Later." On the list again this year. Mandatory reading for all of us!

Jenkins, Jerry B. *Loving Your Marriage Enough to Protect It* (previously published as *Hedges*), Moody Press, 1993. Highly recommended reading for those in coed ministry.

Jeremiah, David. *Signs of Life: Back to the Basics of Authentic Christianity*, Thomas Nelson Publishers, 2007. Just as there are physical signs of life, there are spiritual ones as well. A 40-Day Journey.

Keller, Timothy. *The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism*, Dutton Publishers, 2008. Billy Graham said "Tim Keller's ministry in New York City is leading a generation of seekers and skeptics toward belief in God. I thank God for him."

Laughlin, Fredric L. and Robert C. Andringa. *Good Governance for Nonprofits*, Amacom Books, 2007. Developing Principles and Policies for an Effective Board. This is a roadmap to good governance and used by our Community Bible Study Board of Trustees as a resource.

Lindsley, Art. *True Truth: Defending Absolute Truth in a Relativistic World*, InterVarsity Press, 2004. Defending truth is clearly a current and future challenge for all Teaching Directors.

MacArthur, John. *Why Believe the Bible?* Regal Publishers from Gospel Light, 2007. Can we really trust God's Word for what it says? Book includes a Bible reading plan.

Maxwell, John. *Go for Gold: Inspiration to Increase Your Leadership Impact*, Thomas Nelson, 2008. Another great book by one of our **CBS** Leadership Conference contributors.

McDowell, Josh. *The Last Christian Generation*, Green Key Books, 2006. Research reveals an alarming trend among today's youth---They do not believe that Christ is God's Son or that the Holy Spirit is real; and think that "doing good" is enough. Great for those serving in Student CBS!

Morgan, Robert J. *The Red Sea Rules*, Thomas Nelson, 2001. The National Day of Prayer Task Force recommends this book. 10 God-Given Strategies for difficult times. The same God who led you in will lead you out.

- Roberts Jr., Bob. *Glocalization, How Followers of Jesus Engage a flat World*, Zondervan, 2007. Think of the world as local and global – Glocal! This book turns the tradition mission-agency model upside down and shares how transformed people and churches are creating “glocal” impact.
- Sala, Harold J. *Why You Can Have Confidence in the Bible*, Harvest House Publishers, 2008. Recommended by Ravi Zacharias, John MacArthur, and Norman Geisler as giving a compelling case for the authenticity of the Book. A great book to give to someone who has never honestly faced the question of “Can I really trust this Book?”
- Smith, Brenda A. *Divine Confinement, Facing Seasons of Limitation*, Executive Books, 2005. This is an incredible book for those confined by your circumstances. It could be confinement because of three children under four, or serving as caregivers for ageing parents or grandparents. A loving God has designed this season for us, and we can grow in Him during our limitations.
- Stanley, Andy. *Making Vision Stick*, Zondervan, 2007. “It is better to have a vision statement that is incomplete and memorable than to have one that is complete and forgettable.” May our mission statement in Community Bible Study stick and be memorable!
- Stanley, Charles F. *Landmines in the Path of the Believer*, Thomas Nelson Publishers, 2007. Are you aware of the hidden dangers planted by Satan along your spiritual path? Navigational help!
- Stowell, Joseph M. *From the Front Lines: Lessons from the Trenches of Life*, Discovery House Publishers, 2007. More encouragement from our speaker at the January Teaching Directors Conference.
- Strobel, Lee. *The Case for the Real Jesus: A Journalist Investigates Current Attacks on the Identity of Christ*, Zondervan, 2007. Strobel scrutinizes the evidence evaluating arguments of atheists, liberal theologians, and other.
- Swenson, Richard. *Margin: Restoring Emotional, Physical, Financial, and Time Reserves to Overloaded Lives, Revised*, NavPress, 2004. One of our main speakers for 2008 TD Conference.
- Tada, Joni Eareckson, *31 Days Toward Passionate Faith*, Multnomah Books, 2006. Another powerful devotional from Joni showing the blessing of daily spiritual vibrancy through active trust in God.
- Various Pastors Wives. *Free to Soar: How You Can Love the Church, Serve with Your Husband, and Fulfill Your Destiny as a Woman in Ministry*, Gospel Light, 2005. A compilation of global pastors’ wives who serve with their husbands in ministry. Recommended by Beth Olson, RD Eve.
- Zacharias, Ravi. *The Grand Weaver: How God Shapes Us Through the Events of Our Lives*, Zondervan, 2007. How differently would we live if we believed that every event of our lives – from the happy to the tragic to the mundane – was part of a meticulous and purposeful design with all of the elements intertwined with breathtaking precision?