

Elder Recommendations:

TE Bill Acker

Promise and Deliverance (4 volumes) — S. G. De Graaf
The Virgin Birth of Christ — J. Gresham Machen
Foundations of the Christian Faith — James Montgomery Boice
Joshua and the Flow of Biblical History — Francis A. Schaeffer

TE Dan Breed

Spiritual Depression — Martin Lloyd-Jones
Will of God as a Way of Life — Jerry Sittser
The Call — Os Guinness
Christ and Culture — Richard Niebuhr
The Spirit of the Disciplines — Dallas Willard

TE Josh Golackson

Communion with God — John Owen
A Vision for Missions — Tom Wells
Biblical Theology in the Life of the Church — Michael Lawrence
The Gospel in a Pluralist Society — Lesslie Newbigin

RE Mark Frost

Respectfully Yours: The Secret to Power and Influence in Your Marriage — Eggerichs
Give them Grace: Dazzling Your Kids with the Love of Jesus — Elyse Fitzpatrick
The Five Love Languages — Gary Chapman
Don't Make Me Count to Three — Ginger Hubbard

RE Bruce Marker

Each for the Other: Marriage as It's Meant to Be — Bryan & Kathy Chapell
Celebration of Sex: A Guide to Enjoying God's Gift of Sexual Intimacy — Doug Rosenau
Running Scared: Fear, Worry and the God of Rest — Edward Welch
War of Words: Getting to the Heart of Your Communication Struggles — Paul Tripp

RE Perry Vander Loop

Living for God's Glory — Joel Beeke
Great God of Wonders — Maurice Roberts
Voices from the Past: Puritan Devotional Readings — multiple authors
Spiritual Leadership — J. Oswald Sanders

RE Garrett Clemmer

The Holiness of God — R.C. Sproul
The Godly Man's Picture — Thomas Watson
John G. Paton — Autobiography
The Meaning of Marriage - Tim Keller

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<http://emmausroadpca.org/connect/recommended-reading>

The Gospel (What Christians Believe)

Basic Christianity — John Stott
Prodigal God — Tim Keller
Mere Christianity — C.S. Lewis
Knowing Christianity — J.I. Packer
The Jesus I Never Knew — Philip Yancey
The Reason for God — Tim Keller

Finding an Identity in Christ

Objects of His Affection — Scotty Smith
Children of the Living God — Sinclair Ferguson
Beyond Identity — Dick Keyes
Adopted by God — Robert Peterson
Renovation of the Heart — Dallas Willard

Sanctification (Growing in Your Faith)

Holiness by Grace — Bryan Chapell
True Spirituality — Francis Schaeffer
Growing Your Faith — Jerry Bridges
The Whole Christ — Sinclair Ferguson
How People Change — Tim Lane and Paul David Tripp
The Cost of Discipleship — Dietrich Bonhoeffer
Keep in Step with the Spirit — J.I. Packer

Prayer

If God Already Knows, Why Pray? — Douglas Kelly
Letters to Malcom, Chiefly on Prayer — CS Lewis
The Life of Prayer — Edith Schaeffer
The Only Necessary Thing: Living a Prayerful Life — Henri Nouwen
The Valley of Vision: A collection of Puritan Prayers and Devotions — Arthur Bennett
Guide to Prayer for All Who Seek God — Norman Shawchuck
Praying Backwards — Bryan Chapell
A Praying Life — Paul Miller

Personal Devotions

Whiter Than Snow: Meditations on Sin and Mercy — Paul David Tripp
New Morning Mercies — Paul David Tripp
Daily Readings: Morning and Evening on all Four Gospels — J.C. Ryle
Morning and Evening — Charles Spurgeon

Abuse and Healing

The Wounded Heart — Dan Allender
Bold Love — Dan Allender and Tremper Longman
On the Threshold of Hope — Diane Langberg
When Helping Hurts — Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert

Sexual Sin and Addiction

False Intimacy: Understanding the Struggle of Sexual Addiction — Harry Schaumburg
Samson and the Pirate Monks — Nate Larkin
At the Altar of Sexual Idolatry — Steve Gallagher
Out of Egypt and Into the Promised Land — Jeanette Howard
Addictions: A Banquet in the Grave - Finding Hope in the Power of the Gospel — Ed Welch

Understanding Sin

The Enemy Within: Straight Talk About the Power and Defeat of Sin — Kris Lundgaard
Not the Way It's Supposed to Be: A Breviary of Sin — Cornelius Plantinga
The Screwtape Letters — C.S. Lewis
Addictions: A Banquet in the Grave — Edward Welch
Overcoming Sin & Temptation — John Owen (ed. Kapic & Taylor)

Depression

A Stubborn Darkness — Edward Welch
The Roots of Sorrow — Richard Winter
Blame it on the Brain? — Edward Welch
The Bruised Reed — Richard Sibbes
Christians Get Depressed Too — David Murray
When the Darkness Will Not Lift — John Piper

Suffering

Affliction — Edith Schaeffer
The Problem of Pain — C.S. Lewis
The Healing Path — Dan Allender
A Grief Observed — C.S. Lewis
Walking With God Through Pain and Suffering — Tim Keller
Why Do I Suffer? — John Currid
Shame Interrupted — Edward Welch

Hermeneutics (Studying/Interpreting the Bible)

Getting the Message — Dan Doriani
Knowing Jesus Through the Old Testament — Chris Wright
He Gave Us Stories — Richard Pratt
Interpreting the Parables — Craig Blomberg
Let the Reader Understand — Dan McCartney and Charles Clayton
How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth — Gordon Fee & Douglas Stuart
The Drama of Scripture — Craig Bartholomew and Michael Goheen
God's Big Picture: Tracing the Storyline of the Bible — Vaughn Roberts
The Sufficiency of Scripture — Noel Weeks

Commentary Sets

New International Commentary on the Old/New Testament (NICOT, NICNT)
InterVarsity Press Commentary Series
Calvin's Commentary Series
Baker New Testament Commentary Set

Epistemology (Study of Knowledge)

Proper Confidence — Lesslie Newbigin
Longing to Know — Esther Meek
Doctrine of the Knowledge of God — John Frame

Eschatology (Study of End Times)

The Bible and the Future — Anthony Hoekema
Millennial Maze — Stanley Grenz
The Promise of the Future — Cornelis Venema
The Returning King — Vern Poythress

Ethics

Biblical Christian Ethics — David Jones
Ethics — Dietrich Bonhoeffer
The Doctrine of the Christian Life — John Frame

Counseling Others

When People are Big and God is Small — Edward Welch
Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands — Paul David Tripp
The Biblical Basis of Christian Counseling for People Helpers — Gary Collins
Through the Looking Glass — Kris Lundgaard

Dating/Marriage

Boundaries in Dating — Henry Cloud and John Townsend
Intimate Allies — Dan Allender
Take Back Your Marriage — William J. Doherty
Sacred Marriage — Gary Thomas
The Meaning of Marriage — Tim Keller
Real Sex: The Naked Truth About Chastity — Lauren Winner
Sex, Romance, and the Glory of God — C.J. Mahaney
The Intimate Mystery — Dan Allender
5 Paths to the Love of Your Life — (multiple contributors)
What Did you Expect? Redeeming the Realities of Marriage — Paul David Tripp

Parenting

Shepherding A Child's Heart — Tedd Tripp
Sacred Parenting — Gary Thomas
Age of Opportunity — Paul David Tripp
How Children Raise Parents: The Art of Listening to Your Family — Dan Allender
Training Hearts, Teaching Minds — Starr Meade
Is It a Lost Cause? Having the Heart of God for the Church's Children — Marva Dawn
Families Where Grace is in Place — Jeff VanVonderen
A Neglected Grace: Family Worship in the Christian Home — Jason Helopoulos
Show Them Jesus: Teaching the Gospel to Kids — Jack Klumpenhouwer
Mom Enough: The Fearless Mother's Heart and Hope — (multiple contributors)
Missional Motherhood — Gloria Furman

Education

To Know as We are Known: Education as a Spiritual Journey — Parker Palmer
The Fabric of Faithfulness — Steve Garber
Letters to a Student — Donald Drew
Total Truth — Nancy Pearcey
Habits of the Mind — James Sire

Personal Finances

The Total Money Makeover — Dave Ramsey
Neither Poverty Nor Riches — Craig Blomberg
The Treasure Principal — Randy Alcorn
Crown Financial Ministries (crown.org)

Evangelism and Apologetics (Sharing and Defending Christianity)

The Heart of Evangelism — Jerram Barrs
Evangelism: Doing Justice and Preaching Grace — Harvie Conn
Speaking of Jesus — J. Mack Stiles
Chameleon Christianity — Dick Keyes
Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God — J.I. Packer
Out of the Salt Shaker & Into the World — Rebecca Pippert
The Gospel and Personal Evangelism — Mark Dever
Apologetics: A Justification of Christian Belief — John Frame

Missions

Christian Mission: How Christianity Became a World Religion — Dana Robert
The Next Christendom: The Coming of Global Christianity — Philip Jenkins
Whose Religion is Christianity? The Gospel Beyond the West — Lamin Sanneh
The Global Diffusion of Evangelicalism — Brian Stanley
The Hole in Our Gospel — Richard Stearns
The Open Secret — Lesslie Newbigin
The Gospel in a Pluralist Society — Lesslie Newbigin
Changing the Mind of Missions — James Engel and William Dyrness
Let the Nations be Glad — John Piper
A Light to the Nations — Michael Goheen
Introducing Christian Mission Today — Michale Goheen

Worldview

Creation Regained — Albert Wolters
Far As the Curse is Found: The Covenant Story of Redemption — Michael Williams
Engaging God's World — Cornelius Plantinga
Naming the Elephant: Worldview as Concept — James Sire
Total Truth — Nancy Pearcey

Christianity and Science

The Soul of Science: Christian Faith and Natural Philosophy — Nancy Pearcey
Science and Faith: Friends or Foes? — John C. Collins
Intellectual Dissent: Intellectuals Who Find Darwinism Unconvincing — Wilson & Dembsky

Church History

Turning Points: Decisive Moments in the History of Christianity — Mark Noll
The European Reformations — Carter Lindberg
Church History in Plain Language — Bruce Shelley
Church History Volume 1: From Christ to Pre-Reformation — Everett Ferguson
Church History Volume 2: From Pre-Reformation to the Present Day - James & Woodbridge

Worship

Worship Community and the Triune God of Grace — James Torrance
Engaging with God: A Biblical Theology of Worship — David Peterson
In the Face of God — Michael Horton
Evangelical is Not Enough — Thomas Howard
A Royal Waste of Time — Marva Dawn
Christ Centered Worship — Bryan Chapell
Reaching Out without Dumbing Down — Marva Dawn
For the Glory of God: Recovering a Biblical Theology of Worship—Daniel Block.

Christian Community

Life Together — Dietrich Bonhoeffer
Safest Place on Earth — Larry Crabb
Making Room: Hospitality as a Christian Tradition — Christine Pohl
Relationships: A Mess Worth Making — Timothy Lane and Paul David Tripp
The Mark of the Christian — Francis Schaeffer
Christianity for the Rest of Us: How the Neighborhood Church is Transforming the Faith — Diana Bass

For Children

Read Aloud Bible Stories (4 Volumes) — Ella Lindvall
The Bible in Pictures for Toddlers — Ella Lindvall
My ABC Bible Verses: Hiding God's Word in Little Hearts — Susan Hunt
The Rhyme Bible Storybook for Toddlers — Linda Sattgast
The Jesus Storybook Bible — Sally Lloyd-Jones
Everything a Child Should Know about God — Kenneth Taylor
The Big Book of Questions and Answers about Jesus – Sinclair Ferguson
The Chronicles of Narnia — CS Lewis
Big Truths for Little Kids: Teaching Your Children to Live for God — Hunt
Big Truths for Young Hearts: Teaching & Learning the Greatness of God — Ware
The Big Picture Story Bible — David Helm
THE OLOGY: ANCIENT TRUTHS EVER NEW — Marty Machowski
Old Story New: 10 Minute Devotions to Draw Your Family to God — Marty Machowski
The Gospel Story Bible: Discovering Jesus in the Old and New Testaments — Marty Machowski
Psalms for Young Children — Marie-Helene Delval
The Biggest Story: How the Snake Crusher Brings Us Back to the Garden — Kevin DeYoung

Biographies

Augustine of Hippo — Peter Brown
Calvin — Bruce Gordon