

Resources Acquired Since October 2008

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Book Descriptions

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2008 SAFE SANCTUARIES: REDUCING THE RISK OF ABUSE IN THE CHURCH FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH (BK7782)

Provides guidance for congregations that are committed to providing safe and nurturing ministries for children and youth. Process for developing policies and procedures to reduce the risk of child abuse in church.

This expanded and updated edition of Safe Sanctuaries includes the information previously found in two books (Safe Sanctuaries and Safe Sanctuaries for Youth) plus a new section on vulnerable adults. This new version also includes information about safety on the Internet.

This book includes:

- Suggestions for working with volunteers
- Guidelines for developing policies and procedures
- Information about recruiting, screening and hiring workers
- Training models for all who work with children, youth and vulnerable adults
- An order of worship for celebrating the adoption of SS
- Suggestions for congregational responses to allegations of abuse

Sample Forms provided:

- Worker screening
- Request for background checks
- Reference checking
- Abuse reporting 160 Pages

40 DAYS LIVING THE JESUS CREED (BK7818)

40 Day guide to be used along with "The Jesus Creed" study. Includes 40 short daily readings to help in living out the Jesus Creed. Age: AS 210 Pages

CHILDREN'S SABBATH 2008 MATERIALS (BK7632)

Manual produced by Children's Defense Fund giving resources from various religious traditions for children's sabbaths. "When Will We Hear Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Call to End Poverty In America?" Age: EMHYA 179 Pages

EASTER FROM THE BACK SIDE (BK7677)

Using an approach similar to the one he took in Parables from the Back Side and other books in the popular Back Side series, author J. Ellsworth Kalas opens up new possibilities of insight into the biblical Easter story. The author looks beyond the traditional gospel scriptures to connect the story of Christ's resurrection with other stories and scriptures throughout the Bible, including both the Old Testament and the New Testament.

Kalas's creative approach both clarifies basic teachings and introduces new possibilities of meaning, even for those who are most familiar with the Easter story. Enriched with contemporary illustrations and personal experiences, this volume will provide new perspectives on Easter.

Chapter titles include:

- Why We Need Easter" (Genesis 3:1-7, 22-24);
- Easter from an Ash Heap" (Job 19:13-27);

Easter for the Disillusioned" (Ecclesiastes 2:14-26); "Ezekiel Celebrates Easter" (Ezekiel 37:1-10);
Easter Is a Love Story" (John 20:1-18);
Late for Easter" (1 Corinthians 15:1-11);
Forever Easter" (Revelation 21:1-4). Age: A 91 Pages

ENGAGING THE BIBLE : CRITICAL READINGS FROM CONTEMPORARY WOMEN (BK7643)

This book offers current critical readings of the Bible from diverse points of view. The chapters are written by five women who offer an approach to the Bible through African-American, Latina-American, Post-Colonial, feminist and Lesbian feminist lenses.

Chapters:

1. A Prophetic Apocalyptic Reading: Resurrection in Prophetic Context. "Poor Man" Lazarus and Christian Agency
2. A Postcolonial Reading: Sexual Morality and National Politics. Reading Biblical "Loose Women"
3. A Communal Reading: A Different Approach to Bible Study.
4. A Critical Feminist Emancipative Reading: Invitation to "Dance" in the Open House of Wisdom. Feminist Study of the Bible.
5. A Critical Relational Reading: A Path Wide Open: Toward a Critical Relationship with the Christian Bible. Age: YAS 150 Pages

I AM MY GRANDPA'S ENKELIN (BK7644)

This original tale is told by a granddaughter (Enkelin, in German), looking back in loving memory at all that her German-American grandpa taught her. It is a beautiful book to use to talk with children in preparation for, or after, they have experienced grief from the death of a grandparent.

As Grandpa shows his precious Enkelin how to live well, he also, at the end of his life, shows her that death is not an end, but a new beginning.

Children will delight in life on the farm, from caring for horses to working together in the garden.

They will be fascinated by the real-life ways that growing and dying are part of life: hens protecting their chicks, succulent duck for supper, even butchering hogs in autumn and the ways that a community comes together to prepare a feast. Age: PeE 32 Pages

LEADERSHIP FROM THE HEART (BK7654)

Use With DVD9137

Leadership from the Heart is a 10-week study resource for small groups, designed to recruit active volunteers to step up and become lay leaders by promoting the concept of "Servant Leadership".

Instead of the secular concept of leadership, which appeals to ego and ambition for power, Leadership from the Heart calls Christians to leadership by appealing to their desire to help others.

Participants are trained to –

1. Develop their own spiritual practices
2. Care for those they lead
3. Renew the church from within
4. Grow to spiritual maturity

Each class session is built around - Head, Heart, and Hands. Class content includes background material, group sharing, and action steps.

Chapter's include:

1. What Is Servant-Leadership?

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2. Drawing Near to God: Building a Relationship with Christ
 3. Abiding in the Vine: Spiritual Maturity
 4. Discovering God's Plan for Your Life
 5. Living The Great Commission
 6. Being the Salt and Light: Transforming Communities
 7. City On a Hill: Renewing the Church
 8. As Each Part Does Its Work: Teams
 9. So That the Body May Be Built Up
 10. Leading From the Heart: Caring for People We Lead
- Kit contains DVD and Leader's Guide. The DVD has adobe files with additional study materials to download. Age: YAS 128 Pages

MONEY, PURPOSE, JOY: THE PROVEN PATH TO UNCOMMON FINANCIAL SUCCESS (BK7879)

Money and things—the more we have, the more we want. Of course, we all know that "More" is a game that can't be won. No matter how much we get, it's never enough. But deep down inside, part of us clings to the hope that the next time will be different—with a little bit more we'll be happier. So we keep up the pursuit. Fortunately, there's a better way to manage our money and our lives: Turn toward home.

Just as the prodigal son wandered from home and squandered his inheritance, so have many of us wandered from the financial home God prepared for us. In this inspiring and instructive book, financial writer and speaker Matt Bell helps you redirect your use of money to meet your deepest longings—to turn toward the life God intends for you. Age: YAS 205 Pages

OUTLEARNING THE WOLVES (BK7781)

Outlearning The Wolves is the story of an organization that might resemble yours, complete with bad habits, nagging vulnerabilities and resignation to the status quo. A flock of sheep, fearful of the wolves' mythical cleverness, is initially debilitated by fragmentation and false assumptions. But as the sheep build a culture of learning, the contributions of each individual are utilized in strikingly new and productive ways.

Using fanciful illustrations and wicked humor, this book presents a powerful metaphor for understanding the issues that organizations face when they realize they must learn how to learn differently. Includes discussion guide and questions at end of book. Age: YAS 64 Pages

SEX. GOD: EXPLORING THE ENDLESS CONNECTIONS BETWEEN SEXUALITY AND SPIRITUALITY (BK7666)

Sex. God.

You know the two subjects are connected; you just don't have the words for how they are connected. And they cannot be separated. Where the one is, you will always find the other.

When you actually live and feel and engage, you discover that the physical things around us are like windows into more. And when you talk about sexuality, you quickly end up in the spiritual - because "this" is always about "that." Something deeper. Something behind it all.

You can't talk about sexuality without talking about how we were made. About how we relate to each other. About how we were made to relate to each other. And that will inevitably lead you to who made us. At some point you have to talk about God.

To make sense of the one, we have to explore the other. That is what this book is about. Age: YAS 201 Pages

SHADOWS OF THE NEANDERTHALS (BK7780)

Boogie the caveman is on a quest to understand how his people have become stuck in beliefs that drastically limit their ability to share insights and make progress. Join his hilarious journey of discovery and learn how to surface, share, and challenge your own and others' hidden beliefs and to recognize how they inform and often misinform what we do.

With its engaging use of metaphor and detailed discussion guide, Shadows of the Neanderthal is a must-have resource for any organization on its own quest to break free from the unspoken assumptions that cause conflict and limit progress. Age: YAS 81 Pages

TEACHING THE BIBLE IN THE CHURCH (BK7633)

Throughout the centuries the church has claimed the Bible as central and authoritative to its life and mission. But sad to say, in today's churches biblical illiteracy is widespread.

Intended for pastors, church educators, lay teachers, and those in seminary who are preparing for congregational leadership, this book provides a blueprint for effective teaching that leads beyond the conveying of information to transformation -- an encounter with 'that Mystery we call God.' It is about teaching the Bible in its most faithful form, as an invitation to fully engage the scriptures and the God who empowers transformation of both teacher and student. Drawing on the best of current educational theory and the insights of critical biblical scholarship, John Bracke and Karen Tye help us to teach in ways that captivate and stimulate students. The authors look at a variety of factors that affect the way in which the teacher, student, and text connect. They begin with a basic understanding of learning, from how the brain works to the various learning styles and methods for teaching to them. They explore ways in which teaching the Bible is an intercultural educational experience, recognizing how our own cultural lenses through which we encounter the Bible can vary enormously and also be very different from the Bible's own indigenous cultures.

Teaching the Bible in the Church will inform and invigorate this most essential mission of the church. Age: A 166 Pages

THE FAITH: GIVEN ONCE, FOR ALL (BK7773)

Where do you turn when the critics and cynics question the very existence of God and the Christian faith? Charles Colson explains the foundations of faith, bridging the gap between belief, understanding and life. Be inspired and enlightened as you engage in powerful accounts of personal transformation that passionate, intelligent believers have made for centuries, and still make every day. Believe more strongly. Love more deeply. Serve more passionately. Read The Faith. Live The Faith. Age: YAS 240 Pages

THREE SIMPLE RULES FOR FOLLOWING JESUS: A SIX-WEEK STUDY FOR CHILDREN (BK7676)

The three simple rules of "Do No Harm", "Do Good", and "Stay in Love with God" are easy enough for children to understand and profound enough to begin a lifelong journey of faith. This study helps you teach children how to experience the ideas in Rueben P. Job's book, "Three Simple Rules: A Wesleyan Way of Living". Through activities, games, mission projects and learning sessions, children will become acquainted with these early Wesleyan concepts. Ideal for showing children how to be effective stewards of the world around them

This leader's resource helps plan six sessions that will help children

- Learn what it means to care for the world and God's people

- Consider the ways to do good things for their families, their church, their community, and the world
- Discover the value of spiritual disciplines and how to practice them Age: eEM 64 Pages

THREE SIMPLE RULES: 24/7 (BK7675)

John Wesley's General Rules are: Do no harm, Do good, and Stay in love with God. This six-week study introduces youth to John Wesley's General Rules, challenging them to find ways to apply the rules to their daily lives. Study includes Scripture and excerpts from Wesley's writings and Rueben P. Job's original book Three Simple Rules and provides commentary and questions for reflection and discussion. The Youth student component challenges young people to apply the General Rules to situations that they might face. Age: MH 32 Pages

UNLOCKING THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE: GUIDE TO BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION (BK7645)

This course will explore the various issues as well as processes and skills involved in interpreting the Bible. By building understanding of the composition, sources, historical contexts, inspiration, and varying types of literature of the Bible this course seeks to help persons develop a framework within which to read and interpret the Biblical passages.

This is a tent session study.

1. Bible and Interpretation
2. The Bible as Canon
3. The Nature of Inspiration
4. The Historical Context (Part A)
5. The Historical Context (Part B)
6. Literary Context
7. Interpretation Through Source
8. Source-New Testament
9. The Bible as a Translated Text
10. Drawing It Together Age: A 86 Pages

VELVET ELVIS: REPAINTING THE CHRISTIAN FAITH (BK7744)

God never changes, nor do the central truths of Christianity. But our understanding of those truths is in constant flux. Christians will always be exploring and discovering what it means to live in harmony with God and each other. Velvet Elvis offers original and refreshingly personal perspectives on what Christianity is really about.

"This book is for those who need a fresh take on Jesus and what it means for us to live the kind of life he teaches us to live. "This pursuit of Jesus is leading us backward as much as forward ... I am learning that what seems brand new is often just the discovery of something that has been there all along— it just got lost somewhere and it needs to be picked up, dusted off, and reclaimed. Age: YAS 194 Pages

VOLUNTARY SIMPLICITY (BK7646)

Voluntary Simplicity is a five-session course for the workplace, community or faith center, or home. This course addresses the distractions of modern society that keep us from caring for ourselves, our relationships, and our environment.

Discussion Course Goals:

- To understand the meaning of voluntary simplicity.
- To explore the material and psychological distractions that prevent us from caring for the earth.

-To acknowledge the connection between our lifestyle choices and the condition of the earth.

5 Session Titles:

1. The Meaning of Simplicity
2. Living More With Less
3. Making A Living
4. Do You Have The Time
5. Living Simply On Earth

Also includes chapters on: Examples of Simple Living, Action Plans, Call to Action, Membership and Permissions. Age: HYA 96 Pages

WHAT'S IN THE BIBLE AND HOW DO I USE IT? (BK7678)

How do I look up a Bible verse?

What is Jacob's Ladder?

What do you mean Tarsus isn't a car?

Where do I find that "The Lord Is My Shepherd" poem?

What are all of these translations?

What exactly is a Pentateuch?

Find answers to all these questions and much, much more in this basic reference book. You'll find maps, graphs, and a chapter all about Jesus. A great introduction on how to use your Bible, topics include how to choose a Bible, how to study your Bible, famous people and places, and how to find biblical help on real-life issues such as hope, love, anger, forgiveness, and even body image. Age: YAS 109 Pages

WHAT'S IN THE BIBLE AND WHERE DO I FIND IT? (BK7679)

Where are Jesus' great parables found in the Bible?

Where did Jesus deliver his Sermon on the Mount?

What does the Bible say about how to live?

This book is helpful as a basic Bible Study aid or as a quick reference to look up relevant passages. This practical and helpful guide leads you through the Bible by identifying the verses, stories and words of advice, comfort, joy, and wisdom that are timeless. Age: YAS 109 Pages

WORDS FOR SILENCE: A YEAR OF CONTEMPLATIVE MEDITATIONS (BK7674)

In these busy and stressful times, you may long for more silence and peace in your life. But rather than waiting for circumstances to change, you can take to heart the words of Father Gregory Fruehwirth: "The contemplative life and unceasing prayer is about being exactly where you are, aware of the presence of God and quickly and joyfully responsive to God's urgings." In this book of reflection, this monk and poet will show you how to make substantive changes in your life.

Drawing from the most ancient Christian wisdom, "Words for Silence" guides you to create more stillness and solitude in your own life, right where you are. Age: YAS 206 Pages

Brochure Descriptions

ADULT RETREAT RESOURCES GUIDE (BR4443)

A guide to resources available from Discovery Place that can be used in planning and implementing Adult retreats. Resource topics include

- Advent/Christmas
- Bible Study

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- Christian Life and Discipleship
- Marriage
- Men
- Parenting
- Woment
- Young Adult Age: YAS 31 Pages

DEATH PENALTY INFORMATION CENTER RESOURCE (BR4441)

This one page information sheet gives information on how to contact the United Methodist Board of Church and Society to order a free CD-Rom resource developed by the Death Penalty Information Center. This resource provides information for communities of faith who wish to mobilize against Capital Punishment. Topics include:

- Costs of the Death Penalty
- Risk of executing the innocent
- Impact on race
- Impact on victims' families

This information can also be emailed if you provide Discovery Place with an email address. Age: YAS 1 Pages

RETREAT PLANNING PACKET (BR4444)

This packet of material gives excellent insight into planning a retreat. It provides planning guides, time lines, financial tips, promotional ideas, Leader Checklists, sample schedules, Icebreaker and game ideas, and examples of types and themes of retreats. Age: YAS 27 Pages

RETREAT PLANNING PACKET (BR4445)

This packet of material gives excellent insight into planning a retreat. It provides planning guides, time lines, financial tips, promotional ideas, Leader Checklists, sample schedules, Icebreaker and game ideas, and examples of types and themes of retreats. Age: YAS 27 Pages

YOUTH MINISTRY RESOURCES GUIDE (BR4442)

A guide of resource materials available from Discovery Place that can be used in planning a Youth Retreat. Age: MH 6 Pages

CD-Rom Descriptions

GUIDELINES 2009-2012 CD-ROM (CD33)

This CD-Rom accompanies the set of 2009-2012 Guidelines. CD contains:

- Workshop for using "Guidelines" in your church
- Links to UMC Boards and Agencies
- All 26 "Guideline" texts in Acrobat PDF format

-Resources for Advocates for Inclusiveness including:

- Monitoring forms for meeting and events
- Nominations Monitoring forms
- Worship Participation Monitoring forms
- Status and Role of Women History (90 pages)

-Resources for Children's Ministry including:

- Children's Opportunities in the congregation
- The Current Picture

-Resources for Christian Education including:

-Suggested Monthly Planning Guide

-Resources for Church Council including:

- Orientatio Process for the Church Council

-Resources for Family Ministry including:

- Sample Family Ministry Survey

-Resources for Church and Society including:

- The Social Creed 1908 including historical dates
- Musical Accompaniment to the 1908 Social Creed
- Our Social Creed 2004 including brief history
- Companion Litany for Our Social Creed
- Test your knowledge of UMC Social Principles
- Teaching The Socail Principles
- Biblical reflections using our Social Principles
- Talking Points to promote Church and Society
- Ideas for organizing
- Steps to action
- Keys to a Successful Congregational Visit

-Resources for Nominations and Leadership Development including:

- A process for Discernment
- An Apprediative Inquiry Approach for Change
- Biblical reflections for the committee
- Divine Reading/ Encountering God in Scripture
- Leading Prayerful Meetings: Powerpoint
- Suggested Planning Cycle (PDF)
- Preparing and celebrating Lay Leadership
- Sample Leadership Covenant
- Leader Selection Worksheet
- Leader Selection Worksheet for classes
- Leadership Selection Gifts and Skills Data Bank

-Resources for Small Membership Church including:

- Healthy Church Index
- NOW Sample Agenda

-Resources for Worship including:

- Fair Use, Copyright and Licensing (PDF)
- Worship Planning Worksheets Age: YAS

JESUS WANTS TO SAVE CHRISTIANS (CD32)

This is the unabridge reading of the book by the same title. The CD is co-read by the two authors, Rob Bell and Don Golden.

There is a church not too far from us that recently added a \$25 million addition to their building.

Our local newspaper ran a front-page story not too long ago about a study revealing that one in five people in our city lives in poverty.

This is a book about those two numbers.

It's a book about faith and fear, wealth and war, poverty, power, safety, terror, Bibles, bombs, and homeland insecurity.

It's about empty empires and the truth that everybody's a priest, it's about oppression, occupation, and what happens when Christians support, animate and participate in the very things Jesus came to set

people free from.

It's about what it means to be a part of the church of Jesus in a world where some people fly planes into buildings while others pick up groceries in Hummers. Age: HYAS 2005 mins

Curriculum Descriptions

ADULT BIBLE STUDIES ILLUSTRATED SPRING 2009 (CUR2400)

A magazine and study resource for leaders and group members using the "Adult Bible Studies" curriculum.

Each issue of this interest-building, full-color, 48-page resource in magazine format includes:

6 illustrated articles by leading archeologists, researchers, and scholars

6 study guides, to help you convert each article into a fascinating group study

an in-depth interview with a Bible expert

reviews of new books and resources

a pull-out poster

Unlock mysteries of the Bible with Adult Bible Studies Illustrated.

Age: A 48 Pages

ROCK SOLID EARLY ELEMENTARY FUN PAK K-1 SPRING 2009 (CUR2399)

Early Elementary is designed to be used with children in kindergarten through first grade who are basically nonreaders but who have some classroom experience. Each lesson includes a variety of multilevel skill activities that will provide a successful learning experience for each child.

Fun Pak includes crafts to relate directly to each lesson.

Curriculum only for short term review

Current quarter Age: e

ROCK SOLID MIDDLE ELEMENTARY FUN PAK GRADES 2-3 SPRING 2009 (CUR2396)

Middle Elementary is targeted to children in second and third grades but can be adapted for use with first graders if necessary. Materials are best used with students who have beginning to mid-level reading skills. Activities in each quarter are designed to involve a variety of learning styles.

Fun Pak craft activities relate directly to the weekly Bible Story Lesson.

Curriculum only for short term review

Current quarter Age: E

ROCK SOLID OLDER ELEMENTARY MINI GRADES 4-5 SPRING 2009 (CUR2397)

Older Elementary is written for students in fourth and fifth grade, but can be adapted to include third graders as well as sixth graders. The activities in this level assume that children have good reading skills as well as some experience with using a dictionary, a map, and a simple graph, and that they have the ability to use the Bible, specifically to locate and read particular Bible verses.

The Mini includes activities that relate to each session.

Curriculum only for short term review

Current quarter Age: E

ROCK SOLID PRESCHOOL FUN PAK SPRING 2009 (CUR2398)

Fun Pak designed for nonreaders, and the activities are appropriate

for children who have not yet entered kindergarten

Curriculum only for short term review Age: P

DVD Descriptions

A HEART SET FREE (DVD9530)

Charles Wesley broke many barriers of 1700's England not only to become "the most gifted and indefatigable poet and hymnwriter that England has ever known," but also to give music, heart and soul to the Methodist movement that he and his brother John led.

The story of Charles Wesley is often overshadowed by that of his more famous older brother John. These founding fathers of Methodism traveled the same path, yet their lives and talents were often remarkably distinct.

From a tenuous birth to blazing field preacher, this film explores the facets of the man known as "The Sweet Bard of Methodism."

Discover the poet, husband, and hymnwriter who penned "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing," and "O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing."

Follow Charles as a failed missionary to America, then back home, depressed and dejected till he experiences a mighty conversion in May 1738 that kindled within him the passion to reach others with such intensity that, through his verse, we feel it today.

Shot on location in England and the United States, this feature-length documentary by T.N. Mohan, producer and director of the award-winning documentary Hanged on a Twisted Cross, brings detailed and well-researched perspective to Charles Wesley's history through many never-before seen archival letters, manuscripts and other documents, besides interviews with leading experts from the UK and US. Age: HYAS 101 mins

A VIEW FROM THE SHADOWS: EXPOSING THE MIND OF CHILD SEX OFFENDERS (DVD9232)

Volume #1: Exposing the Minds of Child Sex Offenders (18 minutes) provokes awareness, thought, and dialogue through interviews with incarcerated sex offenders, the rapists, and survivors of child sexual abuse. This video provides insight into how offenders manipulate children and the community, rationalize their behavior, and avoid detection. Adult survivors share how they have been affected by victimization.

Includes a discussion guide. Age: A 18 mins

A VIEW FROM THE SHADOWS: TALKING ABOUT CHILD SEX ABUSE (DVD9235)

Volume 3: In Talking About Child Sex Abuse(28 minutes), Cordelia Anderson, a nationally recognized expert, advises parents who want to know, "How do I talk to my children about sexual abuse?" Two child victims share their stories. "Johnny" was abused by an uncle when he was 10 years old. His mom had warned him about "stranger danger," but Johnny was confused because the perpetrator was a member of the family. "Melissa," 11, was abused at home by a close friend of the family. Her parents thought she was safe when she was at home. The viewer will learn how to lower a child's risk of victimization.

Includes a discussion guide. Age: A 28 mins

A VIEW FROM THE SHADOWS: TREATING CHILD SEX OFFENDERS (DVD9233)

Volume 2: Treating Child Sex Offenders (22 minutes) gives an overview of two different approaches to treatment for sex offenders.

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Through interviews with incarcerated sex offenders, survivors, therapists, and a family reunified after abuse has occurred in the home, this video stimulates discussion about sex offender behavior, treatment programs and how society should cope with these issues. Includes a discussion guide. Age: A 22 mins

ADULT CROSSINGS: GOD'S JOURNEY WITH US (DVD1156)

The Bible contains hundreds of stories-thousands of names. How does a person begin to understand and remember it all?

Adult Crossings is a unique Bible overview. It explores what many scholars consider the eight core stories of the Bible. This is what theologian Walter Brueggemann calls "the primal narrative-that most simple, elemental, and non-negotiable story line that lies at the heart of biblical faith." This study is perfect for a whole-congregation Bible emphasis, new member classes, or to complement your Crossings confirmation program. 11 lessons include:

1. How is the Bible True?
2. God's Call
3. The Exodus
4. Sinai Covenant
5. Promised Land
6. Davidic Rule
7. Jesus' Family Tree
8. Jesus' Life
9. The Cross
10. Resurrection Life
11. Run The Race

By studying these ancient stories we can begin to see how God continues to act, here and now, in us and through us.

This 2 DVD study comes with a Leader's Guide and Journal Age: AS 220 mins

ADVENT (DVD9455)

These video illustrations take a powerful, cinematic look at the events surrounding the birth of Christ as a lead-in to the celebration of Christmas Day.

You can choose to use these video illustrations throughout December as a reflection of the Advent season. They can also be used any time when teaching about the Hope, Peace, Love and Joy found in Christ

This DVD Includes:

-Hope (2:11)

For 400 years, Israel had waited and hoped for the promised Messiah. The prophecy of Isaiah was fulfilled in that a virgin would bear a son and His name would be called, Emmanuel, "God with us." Use this Advent illustration to demonstrate our Hope in Christ during the Christmas season.

-Peace (2:07)

Though the town of Bethlehem was small in size, out of it would come the Ruler who would reign as King of Kings and redeem us from our sin. Use this Advent illustration to reflect on the Peace that Christ our Lord brings.

-Love (2:09)

Jesus is the true Shepherd who searches out and finds his sheep among the scattered flock. His sheep know him, and they follow his voice. Use this Advent illustration to demonstrate that our Savior is our Shepherd of Love.

-Joy (2:13)

As our Messiah and King came into the world in a lowly manger, the angels announced the good news that a Savior has been born.

Use this Advent illustration to proclaim the Joy that Christ brings.

-O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (2:36)

This beautiful visual montage of the Hope, Peace, Love, and Joy of Christ is set to the song, O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, sung by Bebo Norman. Use this moving illustration as a reflective time in a candlelight or Christmas Eve service and encourage your congregation to sing along as the video illustration plays.

• Also includes:

- o SD and HD MPEG files of each video
- o Languages: English and Spanish
- o background images and motion loops to complete the visual package Age: HYAS 12 mins

AMENA BROWN: HE IS HERE (DVD9462)

Fusing her talent for poetry and passion, Amena will draw your group into a place of authentic worship and challenge this generation to a life driven by truth. These four powerful Spoken Word videos create a unique worship experience:

He is Here (2:19)

An encouraging reminder that no matter where we are, God is with us.

Masterpiece (2:14)

Proclaiming God as the Creator of all.

Psalm 139 (2:07)

The timeless truth that God is always with us.

Resurrection (2:33)

A creative expression of God's salvation plan for all.

Bonus: In addition to each performance paired with a background music track, a bonus video of each performance without a background track is included- allowing your group to create an interactive worship experience as you add your own live or recorded track to the Spoken Word videos.

Also included in this resource:

HD and SD MPEG Versions of each clip Age: HYAS 9 mins

ANIMATED STORIES FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT: THE PRODIGAL SON (DVD9518)

The parable of a once wayward son reunited with his father and family after having squandered all his possessions.

Includes Resource and Activity book and bonus features.

Spanish version on DVD Age: EM 30 mins

ASHES TO GLORY: AN EASTER DEVOTIONAL (DVD9249)

This Lenten season, experience the depths of love, the power of forgiveness, and the joy of everlasting life found in the Easter story. Ashes to Glory: An Easter Devotional on DVD takes viewers on a devotional journey from the remembrance of Ash Wednesday to the celebration of Resurrection Sunday. Each day contains a brief devotion (2-3 minutes) that reflects on a treasured song, poem, tradition, Scripture, character of the Passion story, or work of art that enhances the meaning of the season.

A sample of the daily devotional topics: songs including Were You There? And Christ the Lord is Risen Today; poems including Ash Wednesday by Christina Rossetti and O Sacred Head, Now Wounded by Bernard of Clairveaux; traditions and symbols such as lilies, butterflies, the changing date of Easter, new clothing, and Easter parades; works of art including Albrecht Dürer's Praying Hands and Rembrandt's Descent from the Cross; and Biblical people and places including Judas Iscariot, Pontius Pilate, Barabbas,

Gethsemane, and Golgotha.

Whether the observance of Lent is a yearly custom or a first-time experience, viewers are sure to deepen their faith with the music and message of Ashes to Glory.

DVD Features:

- Optional English subtitles
- Scripts for all 47 days in PDF
- Daily Bible reading in your choice of four translations (KJV, NIV, NLT, and NRSV Catholic edition) in PDF

Free Teacher Helps including:

- Program Scripts
- Scripture Reading Guide
- Lent Outline
- Film Credits

All available online at:

https://www.visionvideo.com/detail.taf?_function=detail&a_product_id=34497&refurl=/start.taf? Age: A 130 mins

BEHIND THE SCREENS (DVD9429)

The Internet may be a seemingly innocent way to make friends. But victims and experts issue a stern warning and offer advice on how to stay safe online.

Katie met a man in a teen chat room when she was thirteen. He claimed to be a young college student. They talked for months and she was confident that she knew him well. He gave her the attention and compliments she craved as a lonely and self-conscious teenager. She agreed to meet him at a hotel where she made a frightening discovery—she had been conversing with a forty one year old pedophile. In addition to dealing with the aftermath of being molested, she was re-traumatized by a community who did not understand. She has since written a book about her experience entitled Katie.com.

Dani met a predator online when she was thirteen. She received an instant message from someone who said he knew her from elementary school. They e-mailed each other for several months. One day the FBI came to her home and told her that she had been communicating with a pedophile and that she would have likely been his next victim. Dani and her mom had taken precautions such as using filtering software and avoiding chat rooms, but they were still fooled.

Includes a discussion guide. Age: A 16 mins

CHOOSE (DVD1419)

What's the most spiritual thing you will do today?

Prayer? Reading the Bible? Serving? How we decide to express our faith is up to us. The power of choice is one of the most important elements of our spiritual journey.

Students are constantly faced with life-changing decisions in their relationships and faith. In these four sessions, Marcus Goodloe introduces Biblical principles to help students make wise choices amidst a chaotic culture:

1. Choosing Faith- 15 minutes
2. Consequences- 14 minutes
3. Choose Your Reaction- 13 minutes
4. What is Your Purpose? - 13 minutes

Includes:

- Four video sessions on 2 DVDs
- 60 page Leader's Guide
- Printable Group Handouts

- Real-life interviews with students across the country
- Behind-the-scenes moments with Christian Music Magazine's New Artist of the Year, Family Force 5 Age: MH 55 mins

CONFRONTING DEATH: A CHRISTIAN APPROACH TO THE END OF LIFE (DVD8875)

You and I sooner or later are going to experience what comes to all people, we are going to experience dying. But there is a difference between us and the world—the world looks away from that fact and tries to hide it as much as possible—but we as faithful people have the power and ability to look death straight in the eye and understand it.”

Coming from his own experiences of living with life-threatening cancer for the last two plus years, Walter Wangerin speaks directly from the heart in this poignant and instructional DVD. He speaks about how cancer has changed his life and how his faith has sustained and prepared him to meet death itself.

But Confronting Death is not for the Christian idealist; it is for every Christian, as we learn how to be different from the world: by learning to look forward to the world to come without dismissing our responsibilities here and now.

This compelling teaching explains how Christ is victorious over death. Excellent for Sunday school classes, study groups, equipping caregivers who do visitation ministry, hospice, and working with those who are grieving.

Topics Discussed include:

- Discovering serious illness
- Caring for the one who is not sick
- How do we handle the pain
- Confronting the dying itself

Includes a small stud guide. Age: AS 57 mins

CROSSING THE LINE: SPEAKING OUT ABOUT CHILD SEX ABUSE (DVD9428)

This video features the stories of four convicted child sex offenders and a survivor of child sexual abuse. At the time of the filming, the offenders were serving their prison sentence at a facility that offers voluntary treatment to sex offenders. Dana, the survivor, was sexually abused by several family members. Dana shares the impact of child sexual abuse in her life. The film is designed to reach individuals struggling with the same thoughts and emotions articulated by these offenders. Help is available, and ideally it would be provided prior to anyone acting out on these feelings; however, even if the feelings have already been acted upon, help is still available.

Includes a discussion guide. Age: A 12 mins

EMERGE 1.0 (DVD1410)

eMerge is a comprehensive resource for youth ministry programming that combines engaging, media enhanced large group teaching and small group discussion.

Just what you need to disciple students—and make your life easier. The eMerge youth program comes in three 13-program volumes. Volume 1.0 contains a Director's Guide, an interactive DVD, and two small group leader's guides—one for leaders working with younger youth and one for leaders working with older youth. Both small group leader's guides come with an interactive CD that provides leader training in MP3 format and printable handouts for use in the small-group setting.

Each of the 13 programs in this first volume is enhanced by visual media and divided into two segments: a large group gathering and teaching time, followed by dividing youth into small groups for

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more intimate discussion. The director's kit will provide all the materials that leaders need to plan and carry out the programs and to resource small group leaders.

The interactive DVD features video segments, PowerPoint games, printable handouts, and a video showing a working model of the program.

eMerge 1.0 titles include:

- Hanging Out With God
- Prayer
- The Word
- The Family Room
- The Kitchen
- The Bathroom
- The Garage
- The Bedroom
- Knowing God
- You Are Here
- Can You Hear Me Now?
- Keeping the Lines Clear
- Called to Follow Age: MH

EMERGE 2.0 (DVD1411)

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The eMerge youth program comes in three 13-program volumes.

Volume 2.0 contains a Director's Guide, an interactive DVD, and two small group leader's guides—one for leaders working with younger youth and one for leaders working with older youth. Both small group leader's guides come with an interactive CD that provides leader training in MP3 format and printable handouts for use in the small-group setting.

Each of the 13 programs in this second volume is enhanced by visual media and divided into two segments: a large group gathering and teaching time, followed by dividing youth into small groups for more intimate discussion. The director's kit will provide all the materials that leaders need to plan and carry out the programs and to resource small group leaders.

2.0 Lessons Include:

- Lost
- Show
- Say
- Invite
- Tell
- Looking Back
- Stop the Bleeding
- Find the Healing
- Give With Faith
- Invest With Hope
- Live With Love
- Going Down?
- Going Up?

The interactive DVD features video segments, PowerPoint games, printable handouts, and a video showing a working model of the program. Age: MH

FAITH OUT LOUD: TALKING ABOUT WHAT MATTERS MOST (DVD1155)

We are called to witness to our faith with our whole being, including our words. So what do we say?

Me? Talk about my faith?

This video offers hope for tongue-tied Christians to identify the fact that we have a faith story and we have words for our experience of God.

Listen in on authentic and humble conversations as people were asked to talk about the following topics:

Disc #1

- Introduction
- A time when you experience grace
- A time when God's people came through for you
- How God came alive in your life
- A time when God felt present
- A time when God felt absent

Disc #2:

- How God makes a difference in your daily life
- An idea of God that you find meaningful
- A time of suffering in which God made a difference
- A person who made a difference in your faith
- A time when you were surprised by God
- Your favorite passage from the Bible

These eleven 10-minute video programs can be watched in any order, and serve to spark discussion and give permission to talk about our FAITH OUT LOUD.

Comes with a study guide on CD-Rom. Age: YAS 111 mins

FIRST LIGHT: JESUS AND THE KINGDOM OF GOD (DVD9692)

Why did Jesus happen when he happened? Why the confluence of the Baptism movement of John and the Kingdom movement of Jesus? Why the tiny villages around the Lake? Why the confrontations in Jerusalem? Why then? Why there?

Why were the titles of Caesar Augustus -- Divine, Son of God, God from God, Lord, Redeemer, Liberator, and Savior of the World -- taken from a Roman emperor on the Palatine hill and given to a Jewish peasant on the Palestine plain? Was it low lampoon or high treason? Either way, the Romans were not laughing.

What were the priorities of Jesus' proclamation of the Kingdom? How was the status quo of Roman imperial theology subverted by this obscure Galilean whose message continues to indict empire today?

First Light is a 12-session DVD and web-based study of the historical Jesus and the Kingdom of God with two of the world's leading Jesus scholars on location throughout the Galilee and Jerusalem.

Titles include:

1. The Matrix of Jesus
2. The Advent of the Messiah
3. God's Great Cleanup
4. Collaborative Eschaton
5. The Lake as the World
6. Parables as Lures
7. Jesus as Lord
8. Substitutionary Atonement?
9. Demonstrations in Jerusalem
10. The Crowd & the Crucifixion
11. Resurrection as Resistance
12. America as the New Rome

Includes 12 Lessons on 2 DVDs, Leaders/Discussion guide a session outlines for 1 or 2 hour sessions.

A 64 page Participant's reader is available in the Internet. Please contact Discovery Place for website and password information.

Age: YA 276 mins

FIVE PRACTICES OF FRUITFUL CONGREGATIONS (DVD1413)

For Preview Only*

Based on the book by the same title, this Church Wide program will help your church Focus on the Five Practices of a fruitful congregation:

- Radical Hospitality
- Passionate Worship
- Intentional Faith Development
- Risk-taking Mission and Service
- Extravagant Generosity

Imagine a congregation-wide focus on these practices that includes a five week sermon series, five weeks with every household reading daily devotions and sharing prayers on these practices, five weeks of leadership teams and small groups stimulated to take new initiatives, five weeks of conversation and commitment focused on the mission of the church. These are the practices that lead to excellence and fruitfulness, and they can change your church.

The following resources are included:

- The original book by Bishop Schnase
- Five Practices of a Fruitful Congregation

-Five Practices Leader Manual and Media
Contains the Director's Manual with 1 Leader's Media DVD and 5 DVDs to lead group sessions on each of the Five Practices

-Devotional book for the entire congregation
Cultivating Fruitfulness: Five Weeks of Prayer and Practice for Congregations

-A participant guide for group study on each of the Five Practices
Age: YAS 160 mins

FREED UP FINANCIAL LIVING (DVD1412)

The Freed-Up Financial Living Teaching DVD is an inclusive, six-session DVD curriculum that features the teaching of seasoned financial ministry leaders Dick Towner, John Tolfilon and Shannon Plate. It contains all teaching and supporting drama videos in a simple plug-and-play format that allows the content to be experienced without the need for an up-front teacher. The curriculum outlines biblical essentials on earning, giving, saving, spending and reducing debt, while providing practical tips to help participants achieve their own financial, personal, and spiritual goals, and is easily adaptable for use in seminar, small group or even individual use settings. In six, 60 minute sessions, this study will teach you how to:

- Prioritize your financial goals
- Develop a personal spending plan
- Identify action steps to reduce your expenses
- Reduce your debt

This DVD includes 3 Freed-Up Financial Living Participant's Workbooks. Age: YAS

FRIENDS (DVD1417)

Who are the most influential people in a student's life? Parents, teachers and pastors would like to think they are the most influential in a student's life, but students spend more time interacting with their friends than with anyone else. Friends

influence every part of students' lives - how they act, what they wear, what they say, and most importantly what they believe. In these four power-packed sessions, Sean McDowell offers Biblical insight into the most common issues students are facing in their friendships:

1. Loneliness (14 minutes)
2. Peer Pressure (13 minutes)
3. Comparisons (14 minutes)
4. Identity (13 minutes)

Includes:

- Four video sessions on 2 DVDs
- Leader's Guide
- Printable Group Handouts
- Real-life interviews with students across the country
- Teaching on how friendships can refine our character and faith
- Interview with Grammy-nominated musician, Sarah Kelly about her personal struggle with "fitting in" Age: MH 54 mins

GIVING (DVD9460)

The Scriptures say in 2 Corinthians that we should give with hilarious generosity. It should be a joy and privilege to give back to God what he has blessed us with.

These four video illustrations are designed to help break the ice on the topic of giving. Each thought-provoking video illustration is a great lead-in for a message on stewardship.

This DVD Includes:

-THE OUTREACH: Helping the Needy (2:22)

This parody of a popular sit-com highlights one man's failed attempt at making a difference. This amusing illustration is a good way to teach about effective ways to reach out to those in our community and around the world.

SPORTS SUNDAY – The Ushers (2:05)

These enthusiastic sports broadcasters bring exciting play-by-play action to one of your favorite Sunday morning teams ... the ushers. This entertaining parody of a sport's broadcast sets up the complexities of finances and stewardship.

TITHE (Donuts) (1:20)

When we give our tithes and offerings, we aren't giving away our own possessions, but offering back to God what is already His. This clever illustration visually sets up the reality that everything comes from God.

Eternal Rewards (:45)

Our offerings go towards different items, activities and people in the church. All of this impacts real lives for Christ. Use this simple illustration to teach on the significance of giving and investing in that which is eternal.

• Also includes: SD and HD MPEG files of each video Age: HYAS 7 mins

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL: PASS ON THE GIFT CAMPAIGN (DVD9521)

This special resource will help you plan and implement projects in your church to raise funds and awareness for the programs of Heifer International. The planning guide includes ideas for hosting a "Help End Hunger" meal, worship service and presentation ideas. The

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DVD includes the following segments:

The Bridge (16 or 27 min.) Heifer projects in Rwanda, Peru, North Carolina and Kosovo all have a common theme: cooperation. The introduction of animals, seeds and training helps families improve their own lives, and those of their communities.

Everyday Heroes (12:22 min.) This kids' video about children in China, Rwanda and Peru whose families have received animals from Heifer illustrates Heifer's longstanding success at improving the lives of children around the world.

Ecuador (5:42 min.) Through the story of Maria Esther we see the impact of Heifer's assistance on the lives of women and their families.

Nepal (7:43 min.) In the hills of Nepal, Heifer International is working to improve the lives of women. Through Sita's story, we see how Heifer enabled her to fulfill her dream of attending school, and then go on to inspire other women and girls to do the same.

Poland (10:42 min.) This story of change and hope in two Polish villages demonstrates how the gift of animals and training can help people rebuild their lives.

Tibetan Plateau (4:43 min.) The desolation of the harsh terrain of the Himalaya is lessened by the gift of yaks. They provide the essentials of food, shelter and clothing. Their offspring, passed on to others, will benefit this area for years to come.

Thailand (6:01 min.) Rebuilding lives and land destroyed by the tsunami is a daunting task, but Heifer's values-based model provides a sustainable solution.

Passing on the Gift (3 or 14 min.) Provides an overview of Heifer and its cornerstone of Passing on the Gift. Age: HYA 87 mins

IN SEARCH OF THE YSF: STORIES OF THE YOUTH SERVICE FUND (DVD8565)

When three students receive a mysterious letter, they embark on a treasure hunt that will take them all over the world discovering the United Methodist Youth Service Fund. Follow Kyle, Rachel and Tina as they explore the treasure of the YSF from Zimbabwe to the Philippines, The United States to Cambodia. Age: MH 13 mins

LIQUID: THE TEN #1-5 (DVD9537)

Freeway 10 runs through the center of Los Angeles, ten lanes wide and packed with cars. Behind each set of brake lights lies a story. In *The Ten: 1-5* we follow the lives of five different freeway drivers, each one living out one of God's Commandments on the streets of the city of Angels. Even today, the Ten Commandments are more than a list of restrictions, they're a road to a better life.

The Ten: 1-5 focuses on the first five of the Ten Commandments, allowing participants to explore and deepen their understanding of God's laws to His people. This DVD-based experience features five 10-minute episodes, as well as a 112-page participant's guide with questions and leader's tips. Each episode introduces present-day characters whose problems and struggles mirror biblical stories, illustrating that God's Word is as true today as it was when it was written. Age: HYA 50 mins

NOOMA TOMATO (DVD9442)

We all get consumed with ourselves; sometimes we're not even aware of it. We learn from a young age that life is about winning and impressing. We pick up that our worth and value come from how good, how smart, and how skilled we are. So, we twist things in our favor, making us look like we have it all together. Every day we have the choice to prop up these false ideas about ourselves or to

let go of them. Jesus invites these parts of us to die, the parts of us that tell us our worth comes from the things we say and do. Maybe it's only when we let these things die, that we truly begin to live.

Includes study guide. Age: HYAS 13 mins

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NOOMA TOMATO COPY #4 (DVD9451)

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NOOMA TOMATO COPY #5 (DVD9452)

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Includes study guide. Age: HYAS 13 mins

OLD TESTAMENT STORIES FROM THE BACK SIDE COPY #2 (DVD1408)

New possibilities of insight into selected OT stories by entering them through the 'back side' through a unique starting point, a creative retelling, a new 'lens', or the eyes of the minor or unsympathetic character. Kit contents:

- 1 DVD including "Meet J. Ellsworth Kalas" and 12 weekly sessions (10 minutes each)

- 1 Leader's Guide with complete instructions for planning and

leading your group's discussions following the video presentations
- 1 One copy of Old Testament Stories from the Back Side, the book
J. Ellsworth Kalas will be discussing chapter by chapter Age:
HYAS 120 mins

PARABLES FROM THE BACK SIDE COPY #2 (DVD1409)

This study offers a new understanding of twelve of Jesus' parables by viewing them through the eyes of a minor or unsympathetic character. Chapter titles:

When the Good Samaritan

Is Bad News;

God Called a Party, but Nobody Came;

The Timid Soul;

The Seasons of the Soil;

The Sad Story of the Embarrassed Farmers;

Love Always Wins...Sometimes;

Why Doesn't God Like Religious People?;

Pardon My Insistence;

The Prodigal Who Stayed at Home;

A Case for the Un-hired Hand;

Moses and the Fig Tree;

I Wish I Could Sell You More.

In twelve, 10 minute video clips Ellsworth Kalas provides insight and commentary on the 12 sessions of his book. The kit contains a DVD with Kalas's bio and commentary, 1 copy of his book and a DVD guide for the small group leader Age: YAS 120 mins

PAUL IN ROME (DVD1418)

A 4-part video-driven Bible study for teens on culture and the life of the Apostle Paul.

In these four sessions, David Nasser uses the life of Paul to highlight how followers of Christ can stand up to cultural "norms" and stand firm in Christ. Our team filmed David teaching from some of Rome's most recognizable historical places including the Coliseum, the Road to Rome, the Mamertime Prison and more. David uses relevant methods to communicate the life-changing messages of the gospel to more than 700,000 people annually.

Paul in Rome also features an interview with Flyleaf. Flyleaf's music can be heard nationwide on Christian and rock radio stations. Since 2000, they have been creating music that honestly expresses both the triumphs and struggles of their personal journey. Their faith is an integral part of their lyrics and lives.

4 Video driven lessons on 2 DVDs.

1. Culture and Faith (8:00)

2. Not Good Enough (13:00)

3. Keep The Faith (10:00)

4. A Picture of Your Life (9:00)

Includes study guide. Age: MH 40 mins

PRINCE AMONG SLAVES (DVD9058)

In 1788, the slave ship Africa set sail towards America, with precious cargo: hundreds of men, women, and children. Eight months later, a handful of survivors were for sale in Mississippi. One of them, 26-year-old Abdul Rahman, made an amazing claim: he was a prince of an African kingdom, larger and more developed than the newly formed United States. Prince Among Slaves is the true story of an African Prince, who endured the humiliation of slavery without ever losing his dignity or hope for freedom. Age: MHYAS 60 mins

PROJECT CHOICE (DVD9204)

Project Choice is a six-week course for discovering the impact of choices. Project Choice is an expanded curriculum to lead children into the awareness that life is a series of choices that can be used in midweek or Sunday evening sessions. Learning the art of resiliency (how to quickly recover and learn from the outcome of bad choices) is also part of the agenda. Project Choice provides a fun and inspirational path towards effect decision making. Children learn to make choices and solve problems through faith--not fear.

Items included are: Project Choice DVD with video segments, and CD with leader's guide, workbook for kids. The workbook will include daily inspirations, journaling space, recipes, exercise programs, homework assignments, and case studies. The kids will learn how having group support, encouragements, and accountability can help in making good choices and following through with decisions.

Session are 1 1/2-2 hours each. Age: E

RACE: THE POWER OF AN ILLUSION (DVD8529)

The division of the world's peoples into distinct groups - "red," "black," "white" or "yellow" peoples - has become so deeply imbedded in our psyches, so widely accepted, many would promptly dismiss as crazy any suggestion of its falsity. Yet, that's exactly what this provocative, three-hour series by California Newsreel claims. Race - The Power of an Illusion questions the very idea of race as biology, suggesting that a belief in race is no more sound than believing that the sun revolves around the earth.

Yet race still matters. Just because race doesn't exist in biology doesn't mean it isn't very real, helping shape life chances and opportunities.

Episode 1- "The Difference Between Us," examines the contemporary science - including genetics - that challenges our common sense assumptions that human beings can be bundled into three or four fundamentally different groups according to their physical traits.

Episode 2- "The Story We Tell", uncovers the roots of the race concept in North America, the 19th century science that legitimated it, and how it came to be held so fiercely in the western imagination. The episode is an eye-opening tale of how race served to rationalize, even justify, American social inequalities as "natural."

Episode 3- "The House We Live In," asks, If race is not biology, what is it? This episode uncovers how race resides not in nature but in politics, economics and culture. It reveals how our social institutions "make" race by disproportionately channeling resources, power, status and wealth to white people.

A companion web site and resources for this documentary are available at www.pbs.org/race. Age: YAS 168 mins

RELIGION AND SCIENCE: PATHWAYS TO TRUTH (DVD1120)

Is it possible to be a Christian and take science seriously? Must we choose between God and science? Has science done away with the need for faith? At a time when influential voices are demanding that we either abandon the practice of religion or reject the findings of science, this essential and inspiring Wesley Ministry Network course offers a positive alternative: A way to live in today's world as scientifically informed believers. Join more than a dozen world experts as they consider how religion and science might coexist and even complement one another in the 21st Century. Produced for laity and sponsored by the John Templeton Foundation.

The Nine DVD-Based Lessons:

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4. God and Nature - Keith Ward
5. Creation and Evolution - Darrel Falk
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7. The God of Hope and the End of the World - John Polkinghorne
8. Religion, Science, and Ethics: New Frontiers - Ted Peters
9. Creation Care – Beth Norcross, Bruce Birch, Denise Dombkowski

The Bonus DVD Includes:

- A Conversation Between Nobel Laureate William Phillips and Francis S. Collins
- The Dawkins Delusion? – Alister McGrath
- On Faith and Scientific Discovery – Nobel Laureate Charles Townes
- Darwin and the Economy of Grace – Amy Laura Hall

The Course Kit Includes:

Nine DVD-based lessons, each approximately 28 minutes in length
A Bonus DVD

A Participant's Guide (workbook)

A Leader's Guide, including teaching tips, discussion helps, and class exercises (in color)

A publicity kit. Age: YAS 250 mins

RELIGION AND SCIENCE: PATHWAYS TO TRUTH COPY #2 (DVD1149)

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RIPPLE EFFECT (DVD9461)

Can we really impact the world around us? These four powerful video illustrations demonstrate how even the smallest change can cause a ripple that makes a huge difference.

Ripple Effect includes the following illustrations:

-Small Things (1:28)

A stone, a staff, a donkey's jawbone...why did God use such seemingly small things to change the world? This video creatively shows us that He can use anything to create change, especially us.

- Iodine (0:54)

This hope-filled video illustration c powerfully demonstrates that either sin or grace can seep into each of one of our lives.

-Abraham Lincoln: Perseverance to Live by Faith (3:04)

This dramatic video illustration with Margaret Feinberg shows how even though faced with tremendous obstacles, Lincoln's faithful perseverance left a legacy that still shapes our nation.

-Wake (1:29)

What are you doing today that will impact future generations? This powerful video illustration reminds us that everything leaves behind evidence of its existence.

Also included in this resource:

HD and SD MPEG Versions of each clip Age: HYAS 8 mins

SERVANT OR SUCKER?: WISE AND COMPASSIONATE WAYS TO HELP THE POOR (DVD9379)

We've all been there. Someone, obviously poor or homeless, approaches you and asks for money. What do you do? Do you give money, knowing it may be used on drugs or alcohol or do you say "no" or even ignore the person as you walk by? No one wants to be a sucker in these situations but at the same time Jesus' call to help the poor echoes in our hearts and minds. Servant or Sucker? Wise and Compassionate Ways to Help the Poor helps viewers discern appropriate, Christ-centered actions when it comes to addressing poverty on a personal or organizational level. Included are realities of poverty such as the concepts of time, relationships, money and values; a "poverty tour"; interviews with those who are homeless or poor; interviews with those who have helped and/or have been suckered; and steps viewers can take to be an effective servant without getting suckered.

Five Session Titles:

-The Dilemma

-Why Do People Beg?

-An Individual's Response

-Making Compassionate Decisions

-Churches' and Organizations' Response

A free leader's guide is included and is also available on the DVD.

Age: AS 75 mins

SERVANT OR SUCKER?: WISE AND COMPASSIONATE WAYS TO HELP THE POOR COPY #2 (DVD9073)

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- Making Compassionate Decisions
- Churches' and Organizations' Response

A free leader's guide is included and is also available on the DVD.

Age: AS 75 mins

SERVANT OR SUCKER?: WISE AND COMPASSIONATE WAYS TO HELP THE POOR COPY #3 (DVD9191)

We've all been there. Someone, obviously poor or homeless, approaches you and asks for money. What do you do? Do you give money, knowing it may be used on drugs or alcohol or do you say “no” or even ignore the person as you walk by? No one wants to be a sucker in these situations but at the same time Jesus' call to help the poor echoes in our hearts and minds. Servant or Sucker? Wise and Compassionate Ways to Help the Poor helps viewers discern appropriate, Christ-centered actions when it comes to addressing poverty on a personal or organizational level. Included are realities of poverty such as the concepts of time, relationships, money and values; a “poverty tour”; interviews with those who are homeless or poor; interviews with those who have helped and/or have been suckered; and steps viewers can take to be an effective servant without getting suckered.

Five Session Titles:

- The Dilemma
- Why Do People Beg?
- An Individual's Response
- Making Compassionate Decisions
- Churches' and Organizations' Response

A free leader's guide is included and is also available on the DVD.

Age: AS 75 mins

SIERRA LEONE: BETHANY PRESENTATION (DVD9453)

Video documentary of trip taken by members of Central PA Conference in preparation for the Sierra Leone Initiative. Shows video of the country and it's people and some of the ministry be done by the United Methodist Church. Age: MHYAS 16 mins

SIERRA LEONE: BETHANY PRESENTATION COPY #2 (DVD9454)

Video documentary of trip taken by members of Central PA Conference in preparation for the Sierra Leone Initiative. Shows video of the country and it's people and some of the ministry be done by the United Methodist Church. Age: MHYAS 16 mins

TEX MIX: STORIES OF EARTHY MYSTICISM (DVD8650)

You've heard of tall tales - Tex definitely has a few of those. But these tales are more on the order of deep and wide.

20 tales tailored for your teaching, preaching, and devotional use with Tex Sample - the consummate storyteller.

The DVD also includes Tex 's introduction to storytelling and a downloadable guide with points to ponder, related Scripture texts and discussion questions. A bonus DVD includes mpegs of Tex's stories licensed for use in PowerPoint or Keynote slideshows to

enhance worship and sermons.

Stories include

Getting the Story Right

-Roy Rogers and Jesus

-Sand Creek

-Miss Hattie Buie

-Everybody's Doin' It

-On the Way

-No Flies on Jesus

The God Who Finds Us

-Everlasting Arms AND Legs

-“Tell Me about the Arms”

-Brother Joe and the Blood

-“I Have the Authority”

The Craft Tradition of Knowing

-Plastering

-Maeyken Wens

-“My Name is Jane”

-That Hussy!

-Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht

Witness

-Duke's Dining Room Table

-On Hating White People

-PB&Js and Kool-Aid

-Big Mart

-Bull Dog Age: YAS

THE 11TH HOUR (DVD1206)

Humankind's 11th hour is here; the last moment when we can change course and stop our rush toward global ecological collapse. Actor Leonardo DiCaprio produces and narrates this urgent and transformational look at where we've been, where we're going and, most importantly, how we can change. Thinkers from Mikhail Gorbachev to Stephen Hawking to sustainable-design expert William McDonough and dozens more reveal the current critical state of life on planet earth. Astonishing images of floods, fires, hurricanes, collapsing ice cliffs and growing mountains of waste juxtaposed with images of a sustainable future urge us to take action. Will we employ exciting new technologies and change our behavior to save our planet? The crisis is now; but we do have the solutions to save this unique blue planet for future generations. Age: YAS 92 mins

THE FAITH: GIVEN ONCE, FOR ALL (DVD8271)

In this powerful small group curriculum, Chuck Colson and Gabe Lyons identify the unshakable tenets of the faith that Christians have believed through the centuries—truths that offer a ground for faith in uncertain times, hope and joy for those who despair, and reconciliation for a world at war with God and itself.

Rightly understood and rightly communicated, the Christian faith is one of great joy. It is an invitation to God's kingdom, where tears are replaced by laughter and longing hearts find their purpose and their home. This is the heart of the gospel: God's search to reclaim us and love us as his own. But have we truly grasped this?

Chuck Colson and Gabe Lyons will lead you through six thought-provoking, soul-searching, and powerful sessions on the great, historical central truths of Christianity that have sustained believers through the centuries. Brought to immediacy with vivid, true stories, here is what Christianity is really about and why it is a religion of

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hope, redemption, and beauty.

Six sessions include:

1. The Faith: Given Once, For All
2. What Went Right? What Went Wrong?
3. The Free Gift: Costly Grace
4. The Trinity: God Above, God Beside, God Within
5. Be Holy: Transform The World
6. The Great Proposal

Resource includes: DVD, book, Participant's Guide, and Leader's Guide. Age: YAS 180 mins

THE JESUS CREED (DVD1416)

What was spiritual formation like during the time of Jesus? As Scot McKnight points out, the early Christians didn't sing in the choir or go to weekly Bible studies, and yet they matured inwardly in relationship with God as well as outwardly in their relationships with each other. How did this happen?

In The Jesus Creed DVD, explore with Scot how the great Shema of the Old Testament was transformed by our Lord into the focal point for spiritual maturity. According to the Jesus Creed (found in Mark 12:29-31), loving God and loving others are the greatest commandments.

Scot uses biblical characters such as John the Baptist and Peter to explore themes important to every Christian: What are you living for? What has God called you to become? How is God calling you to compassion? What happens when disciples fail?

This DVD provides a seven-week study for any high school or adult spiritual formation process.

Includes the book "Jesus Creed", a Companion Guide for "Jesus Creed" and a small study guide. Age: HYAS 47 mins

THE JESUS CREED COPY #2 (DVD9072)

What was spiritual formation like during the time of Jesus? As Scot McKnight points out, the early Christians didn't sing in the choir or go to weekly Bible studies, and yet they matured inwardly in relationship with God as well as outwardly in their relationships with each other. How did this happen?

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This DVD provides a seven-week study for any high school or adult spiritual formation process.

Includes the book "Jesus Creed", a Companion Guide for "Jesus Creed" and a small study guide. Age: HYAS 47 mins

THE JESUS CREED COPY #3 (DVD9107)

What was spiritual formation like during the time of Jesus? As Scot McKnight points out, the early Christians didn't sing in the choir or go to weekly Bible studies, and yet they matured inwardly in relationship with God as well as outwardly in their relationships with each other. How did this happen?

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This DVD provides a seven-week study for any high school or adult spiritual formation process.

Includes the book "Jesus Creed", a Companion Guide for "Jesus Creed" and a small study guide. Age: HYAS 47 mins

THE ORDINARY RADICALS (DVD9897)

In the margins of the United States, there lives a revolutionary Christianity. One with a quiet disposition that seeks to do small things with great love and in so doing is breaking 21st Century stereotypes surrounding this 2000 year old faith. "The Ordinary Radicals" is set against the modern American political and social back-drop of the next Great Awakening. Traveling across the United States on tour to promote the book "Jesus for President," Shane Claiborne and a rag-tag group of "ordinary radicals" interpret Biblical history and its correlation with the current state of American Politics. Sharing a relevant outlook for people with all faith perspectives, director Jamie Moffett examines this growing movement. Age: HYAS 120 mins

THE PATH OF JESUS: FROM BETHLEHEM TO GOLGOTHA (DVD9239)

Seven short dramas of the life and teachings of Jesus.

In this DVD you will see the Bible come to life. Follow the path of Jesus from Bethlehem to Golgotha and beyond. These are revealing moments and turning points in His life and ministry.

The stories:

The Christmas Story

The Temptation

Jesus and the Pharisees

The Pharisee and the Tax Collector

The Decision

The Absent King

The New Covenant

You will also see three of the parables which show the values Jesus brought to His mission and to His disciples. All through the lens of Bible times. A wonderful resource for Bible study, small groups and Sunday School.

Special Features:

- Director's commentary for each story

- Audio soundtracks of the music for The Christmas Story and The New Covenant

- Photo Gallery

- Roman Recipes

Includes a study guide.

Time: 1 hr 6 min | Production Year: 2007 Age: YA 66 mins

THE STORY BEHIND THE HYMN (DVD9463)

There is something about music that seems to open our eyes, minds and hearts. These four video illustrations highlight life-changing stories behind four popular hymns. Each song was born out of struggles and trials that eventually led to a closer walk with God.

This DVD Includes:

-Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (5:26)

In 1757, Robert Robinson penned the words to Come Thou Fount

of Every Blessing. This moving video illustration follows Robinson's struggle in finding the joy he once had when he wrote the hymn. Use this modern interpretation, set to the hymn sung by Suffjan Stevens, to teach on faith and perseverance.

-All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (2:20)

Known as the "national anthem of Christendom," All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name by Edward Perronet touched the entire world, even the most dangerous territories. This inspirational story, set to the hymn sung by The Ascenders, tells the account of Reverend E.P. Scott, a missionary to India, who used this song and a violin to bring glory to God.

-'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus (4:17)

In 1882, Louisa Stead wrote the words to 'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus in the midst of personal tragedy. This touching video, set to the hymn sung by The Ascenders, illustrates the inspirational story of a mother and daughter depending on God in the midst of their desperate circumstances.

-Amazing Grace (2:58)

As the British captain of his own slave ship, John Newton was known for cruelty to both his human cargo and crew. In the midst of a great storm at sea, John called out for God's help and protection. This pivotal moment changed his life forever. He became a renowned pastor and wrote the lyrics to the most famous hymn ever written, Amazing Grace. This inspiring video illustration is set to the hymn sung by The Ascenders.

• Also includes: SD and HD MPEG files of each video Age: HYAS 15 mins

THE STORY OF STUFF (DVD1414)

From its extraction through sale, use and disposal, all the stuff in our lives affects communities at home and abroad, yet most of this is hidden from view. The Story of Stuff is a 20-minute, fast-paced, fact-filled look at the underside of our production and consumption patterns. The Story of Stuff exposes the connections between a huge number of environmental and social issues, and calls us together to create a more sustainable and just world. It'll teach you something, it'll make you laugh, and it just may change the way you look at all the stuff in your life forever. Age: MHYAS 20 mins

THE STORY OF STUFF COPY #2 (DVD1415)

From its extraction through sale, use and disposal, all the stuff in our lives affects communities at home and abroad, yet most of this is hidden from view. The Story of Stuff is a 20-minute, fast-paced, fact-filled look at the underside of our production and consumption patterns. The Story of Stuff exposes the connections between a huge number of environmental and social issues, and calls us together to create a more sustainable and just world. It'll teach you something, it'll make you laugh, and it just may change the way you look at all the stuff in your life forever. Age: MHYAS 20 mins

THREE SIMPLE RULES FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING COPY #1 (DVD9231)

This small-group study by Jeanne Torrence Finley is based on Rueben P. Job's book Three Simple Rules: A Wesleyan Way of Living. Six sessions provide extended reflection for adults on three principles of Christian life: do no harm, do good, and stay in love with God. Each rule has a session to help you understand the rule and a session to help you explore ways to practice the rule. Three Simple Rules for Christian Living includes a DVD that contains excerpts from an interview with Bishop Rueben Job and a CD ROM that contains a Leader Guide for the study sessions and other useful

information for organizing, leading, and publicizing study groups. Includes a Leader's Guide. Age: YAS 35 mins

THREE SIMPLE RULES FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING COPY #2 (DVD9520)

This small-group study by Jeanne Torrence Finley is based on Rueben P. Job's book Three Simple Rules: A Wesleyan Way of Living. Six sessions provide extended reflection for adults on three principles of Christian life: do no harm, do good, and stay in love with God. Each rule has a session to help you understand the rule and a session to help you explore ways to practice the rule. Three Simple Rules for Christian Living includes a DVD that contains excerpts from an interview with Bishop Rueben Job and a CD ROM that contains a Leader Guide for the study sessions and other useful information for organizing, leading, and publicizing study groups. Includes a Leader's Guide. Age: YAS 35 mins

UPPITY WOMEN OF THE BIBLE: RUTH (DVD9424)

Must be insured for \$200 when mailing

In six engaging sessions of 10-15 minutes each, Rev. Dr. Lisa Wolfe walks Bible Study groups through the book of Ruth. From explaining the vulnerability of widows in biblical times to asking what you think happened on the threshing floor, Dr. Wolfe presents just what your group needs for lively, thoughtful Bible study. Combining humor and careful scholarship, Uppity Women of the Bible: Ruth invites people of faith to go back and read this biblical book with new interest and insight. Designed for adult Bible study groups meeting in homes or houses of worship, each session ends with discussion questions so that a group—with or without a Bible Study leader—can understand, debate and further explore the issues raised.

Session topics:

- The Beginning of the Story: People, Places and Chapter One
 - Inside Information For The Rest Of The Story
 - The Rest of the Story: Chapters Two and Three
 - The Rest Of The Story: Chapter Four and Genealogy
 - Story and History
 - Who's Uppity In this Book? What Does The Book Mean For Us?
- Includes a discussion guide. Age: YAS

UPPITY WOMEN OF THE BIBLE: THE SONG OF SONGS (DVD9420)

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Explore the mysterious, beautiful, and alluring Song of Songs ("Song of Solomon") in this six-session Bible Study led by the Rev. Dr. Lisa M. Wolfe. She will guide you and your adult Bible Study group through some of the Song's dilemmas and some of the scholars' answers. You'll catch Dr. Wolfe laughing, blushing, and furrowing her brow—you may end up doing the same! Having received plenty of investigative tools for studying this book, you'll enjoy the adventure of reading and re-reading this intriguing poetry. At the end of each session, you will find engaging discussion questions to further your group's learning.

Sessions Include:

- The Title and Characters
 - What's It About and Who Wrote It?
 - Trying To Understand A Misunderstood Book
 - Chapters One Through Three
 - Chapters Four Through Eight
 - Who's Uppity In This Book? What Does This Book Mean for Us?
- A Discussion guide is included Age: YA

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UPRISING: A REVOLUTION OF THE SOUL (DVD9524)

It seems like anyone you talk to these days desires change. They wish they looked different, had a different job, or were better at this thing or that thing.

What you've probably discovered is that you can change your appearance, your habits, your friends, your job... but you can't change your character. At least, not on your own.

With that thought in mind we've partnered up with Erwin McManus to create a small group study based on his wildly popular book, Uprising.

In this study, Erwin teaches us that there's one thing you can't change about yourself and that's your character. Only Christ can transform us from the inside. In each of the six sessions, Erwin provides Biblical and practical teaching that will challenge your group to allow God to transform their character to be more like His.

The Uprising Study Kit Includes:

6 Video sessions with personal insights from Erwin McManus (approx. 15 minutes each)

6 Powerful real life stories that your group will relate to

In-depth 80 page Leader's Guide

6 workbooks for your group

Special session with Erwin for the group leader

Copy of the Uprising Book Age: YA 100 mins

WE'VE COME THIS FAR BY FAITH II (DVD1404)

This 30 minute documentary highlights the history of the Delaware and Washington Conferences & Black Methodism in the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference.

The documentary was presented at the 2008 Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference in conjunction with the report of Bishop Forrest Stith on the NEJ College of Bishops response to the Resolution on Renewal, Restoration and Reconciliation. Age: HYAS 30 mins

WE'VE COME THIS FAR BY FAITH II COPY #2 (DVD1405)

This 30 minute documentary highlights the history of the Delaware and Washington Conferences & Black Methodism in the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference.

The documentary was presented at the 2008 Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference in conjunction with the report of Bishop Forrest Stith on the NEJ College of Bishops response to the Resolution on Renewal, Restoration and Reconciliation. Age: HYAS 30 mins

WE'VE COME THIS FAR BY FAITH II COPY #3 (DVD1406)

This 30 minute documentary highlights the history of the Delaware and Washington Conferences & Black Methodism in the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference.

The documentary was presented at the 2008 Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference in conjunction with the report of Bishop Forrest Stith on the NEJ College of Bishops response to the Resolution on Renewal, Restoration and Reconciliation. Age: HYAS 30 mins

WHAT WOULD JESUS BUY? (DVD9775)

What Would Jesus Buy follows Rev. Billy and the Church of Stop Shopping Gospel Choir as they go on a cross-country mission to save Christmas from the Shopocalypse: the end of mankind from consumerism, over-consumption and the fires of eternal debt! This is a serious docu-comedy about the commercialization of the holidays. Bill Talen (aka Rev. Billy) was a lost idealist who

hitchhiked to New York City only to find that Time Square was becoming a mall. Spurred on by the loss of his neighborhood and inspired by the sidewalk preachers around him, bill bought a collar to match his white caterer's jacket, bleached his hair and became Rev. Billy. Rev. Billy reminds us that we have lost the true meaning of Christmas. Age: HYAS 91 mins

WHAT WOULD JESUS BUY? COPY 2 (DVD9764)

What Would Jesus Buy follows Rev. Billy and the Church of Stop Shopping Gospel Choir as they go on a cross-country mission to save Christmas from the Shopocalypse: the end of mankind from consumerism, over-consumption and the fires of eternal debt! This is a serious docu-comedy about the commercialization of the holidays. Bill Talen (aka Rev. Billy) was a lost idealist who hitchhiked to New York City only to find that Time Square was becoming a mall. Spurred on by the loss of his neighborhood and inspired by the sidewalk preachers around him, bill bought a collar to match his white caterer's jacket, bleached his hair and became Rev. Billy. Rev. Billy reminds us that we have lost the true meaning of Christmas. Age: HYAS 91 mins

WHEN GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY (DVD1377)

Prayer can change lives and circumstances like nothing else can. What are the keys that unlock its power, that turn prayer from a mere activity into a vital link with God and all his resources? In this DVD, Jim Cymbala, pastor of Brooklyn Tabernacle, shows you and your small group truths about prayer that God has used to turn his own church from a tiny, struggling inner-city congregation into a vital, thriving community of believers who pray with passion, focus, and faith.

Featuring teachings by Jim Cymbala and video interviews of ordinary people who have received extraordinary answers to their prayers, these six sessions will help you pray with new confidence. Six sessions

1. God's Heart for Us
2. The Amazing Power of Prayer
3. Obedience in Prayer
4. The Word of God and Prayer
5. Why Prayer Matters
6. Creating a Prayer Ministry in Your Church

Includes 1 DVD, 1 leader's guide & 1 book Age: YAS 90 mins

Kit Descriptions

LIVE B.I.G. ACTIVITY BOOKS SPRING 2009 (K3024)

This kit contains the children's activity books that accompany the Live B.I.G. curriculum. The four books included are for ages: 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, and 11 and up. Formatted for small hands, these tablets gives children full-color interactive puzzles, crafts, bookmarks, or tiny booklets that help them remember what they've learned and share it with parents and friends. They also help children relate the Bible story to their everyday lives and motivate them to live their belief in God. The tween booklet contains thought-provoking questions that will be used in small group discussions to help apply the Bible story to their life. Also includes a take-home DVD with music by Christian artists. Age: PeEMH

WHAT'S IN THE BIBLE ABOUT GOD, JESUS & US? (K3022)

What's in the Bible about God?

What's in the Bible about Jesus?

What's in the Bible about Us?

What is the Bible all about?

Is it really relevant for people in the 21st century?

What difference will it make in my life?

The study series, *What's in the Bible and Why Should I Care?*

Offers opportunities for you to explore these questions and others by opening the Bible, reading it, prayerfully reflecting on what the Bible readings say, and applying the readings to daily life.

In this unique and engaging Bible study, you will read the Bible for answers to the question *What's in the Bible?* And reflect upon what you read in order to discover answers to the question, *Why Should I Care?*

You will find the following resources on the Leader eTool:

- Leader Guides for each of the three study books
- PowerPoint presentations to accompany each study book
- Instructions for Praying the Bible
- Suggestions for organizing and leading a group
- Poster, flyer, and postcard copy for publicity and registration

Kit includes:

CD-Rom containing Leader eTools

Individual books on *God, Jesus & Us* Age: YAS

WHAT'S IN THE BIBLE ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT, CHURCH & LIFE TOGETHER? (K3023)

What's in the Bible About the Holy Spirit?

What's in the Bible About Church?

What's in the Bible About Life Together?

What is the Bible all about?

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