

# Newest Resources Since November 2009

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Book Descriptions

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### **(BK7544) WHAT EVERY CHILD SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE BIBLE**

Children are becoming less and less familiar with basic Bible stories and characters, and even with the gospel itself. The solution begins with parents, grandparents, caregivers, and teachers. Kids need to be taught the Bible, not just given a Bible and storybooks to read or verses to memorize.

Equip yourself. "What Every Child Should Know about the Bible" will equip you to teach the Bible to the child or children in your life in exciting and meaningful ways. You'll find the Top 100 Bible stories quickly and easily. A list of the best Bible verses to review with your children will be at your fingertips, with fun Bible facts sprinkled throughout the book to encourage your children to dig deeper. Teaching children about the Bible can be fun.

In a clear and simple format, this book will help you teach:

- God's overall plan as revealed in the Bible
- 365 of the greatest Bible stories and how they all fit together
- the historical and chronological context of the Bible
- how to learn, understand, and interpret the Bible on their own
- how to have an interest and a sense of purpose in studying the Bible

Age: eEM 400 Pages

### **(BK7010) AN HOUR ON SUNDAY: CREATING MOMENTS OF TRANSFORMATION AND WONDER**

This book provides pastors, worship leaders, programming directors, and arts ministry leaders with the vision and core values necessary for building arts teams that can create the potential for transformational moments in church.

Today's spiritually searching culture is less inclined than ever to attend church. Yet, no time of the week is filled with more life-changing potential than Sunday morning. Imagine experiences that bring people heart-to-heart with God, messages in which God's truth connects to everyday life, transcendent moments that leave people awestruck—and transformed.

That's what can happen when you unleash the arts in your church through the power of the Holy Spirit. An Hour on Sunday is not about nitty-gritty programming details or cookie-cutter how-to's. It's about foundational issues—ten enduring principles that: unite artists and ministry leaders around a common language, empower artists and pastors to effectively work together to create the potential for moments that matter on Sunday morning.

Age: A 276 Pages

### **(BK7101) CELEBRATION OF DISCIPLINE: THE PATH TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH COPY #2**

Hailed by many as the best modern book on Christian spirituality, Celebration of Discipline explores the "classic Disciplines," or central spiritual practices, of the Christian faith. Along the way, Foster shows that it is only by and through these practices that the true path to spiritual growth can be found.

Dividing the Disciplines into three movements of the Spirit, Foster shows how each of these areas contribute to a balanced spiritual life. The inward Disciplines of meditation, prayer, fasting, and study, offer avenues of personal examination and change. The outward Disciplines of simplicity, solitude, submission, and service, help prepare us to make the world a better place. The corporate Disciplines of confession, worship, guidance, and celebration, bring us nearer to one another and to God.

Foster provides a wealth of examples demonstrating how these Disciplines can become part of our daily activities—and how they can help us shed our superficial habits and "bring the abundance of God into our lives." He offers crucial new insights on simplicity, demonstrating how the biblical view of simplicity, properly understood and applied, brings joy and balance to our inward and outward lives and "sets us free to enjoy the provision of God as a gift that can be shared with others." The discussion of celebration, often the most neglected of the Disciplines, shows its critical importance, for it stands at the heart of the way to Christ. Celebration of Discipline will help motivate Christians everywhere to embark on a journey of prayer and spiritual growth.

Age: HYAS 225 Pages

### **(BK7103) CELEBRATING THE DISCIPLINES A JOURNAL WORKBOOK TO ACCOMPANY CELEBRATION OF DISCIPLINE COPY #2**

Workbook to accompany "Celebration of Discipline" Book. Can be used individually or with a group. The author helps readers find new ways to reflect on, experience, and integrate the Disciplines into their lives. This interactive resource features spiritual reflections, journaling questions and exercises for one full year.

Age: HYAS 212 Pages

### **(BK7013) THE END OF SUFFERING: FINDING PURPOSE IN PAIN**

Is there meaning in our afflictions?

With the thoughtfulness of a pilgrim and the prose of a poet, Scott Cairns takes us on a soul-baring journey through "the puzzlement of our afflictions." Probing ancient Christian wisdom for revelation in his own pain, Cairns challenges us toward a radical revision of the full meaning and breadth of human suffering.

Clear-eyed and unsparingly honest, this new addition to the literature of suffering is reminiscent of The Year of Magical Thinking as well as the works of C. S. Lewis. Cairns points us toward hope in the seasons of our afflictions, because "in those trials in our lives that we do not choose but press through—a stillness, a calm, and a hope become available to us."

Age: A 126 Pages

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### **(BK7016) THE JESUS PRAYER: THE ANCIENT DESERT PRAYER THAT TUNES THE HEART TO GOD**

"Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me." Frederica Mathewes-Green offers the most comprehensive book to date on this, the Jesus Prayer – a spiritual jewel for anyone who yearns for a real and continuous presence with Christ. She illuminates the history, theology, and spirituality of Orthodoxy, so that the Prayer can be understood in its native context, and provides practical steps for making it a part of our being.

Age: A 181 Pages

### **(BK7017) SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

The most insightful book about Francis of Assisi, this beautiful edition offers all of G. K. Chesterton's insight, humor, and wit as he uncovers the real meaning of the life of the world's most popular saint.

Age: A 199 Pages

### **(BK7520) THE TEACHING OF THE TWELVE**

The Teaching Of The Twelve: Believing and Practicing the Primitive Christianity Of The Ancient Didache Community. How did the first Christians practice their faith? The Didache, an early handbook of an anonymous Christian community, "is the most important book you've never heard of." It spells out a way of life for Jesus-followers, including how to love one another, how to practice the Eucharist, and how to take in wandering prophets. Likely written before many of the New Testament books, this little-known text can enlighten the way that Christians are church, today. Tony Jones unpacks the ancient document with insight and perspective, and traces the life of a small house church in Missouri that is trying to live according to its precepts. Includes a new, contemporary English translation of the complete text of the Didache.

Age: A 125 Pages

### **(BK7477) YOUTH CULTURE 101**

We may never fully understand teenagers, but we can learn more about them with Youth Culture 101. Cultural analyst and adolescent expert, Walt Mueller, shares research and trends to help you better understand your students and minister to them more effectively in their ever-changing world. You'll discover more about teenage culture than you can imagine. Through, Mueller's in-depth research and observations, you'll better understand:

- media and music that matters to teens
- teens' struggles with substance abuse and depression
- pressures teens face
- teen faith

Age: MH 480 Pages

## Curriculum Descriptions

### **(CUR2415) LIVE B.I.G. AGES 5-6 FALL 2008 LEADER'S GUIDE**

\*\*For Preview Only\*\*

Live B.I.G. is a quarterly children's curriculum. The Leader's Guide contains thirteen lessons for three months of Sunday School Classes. Each lesson is self-contained, and creative. Lessons include music, art, theater dance, laughter, sign language, discussion, imagination, education, hands-on activities, games, snacks, Bible Stories, worship and prayer.

Age: e 144 Pages

### **(CUR2416) POWER EXPRESS: TRIUMPHAL ENTRY**

ONLY FOR SHORT TERM REVIEW

Curriculum for children's Sunday School rotation model. Includes: lesson plans for 8 stations, compact disc, sheet music, lyric transparencies.

Age: eE 110 Pages

### **(CUR2417) POWER EXPRESS: DANCE FOR JOY**

ONLY FOR SHORT TERM REVIEW

Curriculum for children's Sunday School rotation model. Includes: lesson plans for 8 stations, compact disc, sheet music, lyric transparencies.

Age: eE 103 Pages

### **(CUR2418) POWER EXPRESS: 3,000 MORE**

ONLY FOR SHORT TERM REVIEW

Curriculum for children's Sunday School rotation model. Includes: lesson plans for 8 stations, compact disc, sheet music, lyric transparencies.

Age: eE 108 Pages

### **(CUR2419) ROCK SOLID PRESCHOOL RESOURCE PAK FALL 2008**

Bible Storybooks curriculum designed for nonreaders, and the activities are appropriate for children who have not yet entered kindergarten.

Curriculum only for short term review

Age: P

### **(CUR2420) LIVING FAITHFULLY AS FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

This study is part of the Becoming the People of God series which examine a section of the "Social Principles" of The Book of Discipline and The Book of Resolutions.

This study engages participants in a lively application of United Methodist teaching related to:

- Changing gender roles in modern society
- Sacred worth and human diversity
- Death and dying
- The meaning of Christian marriage
- Conflicting perspectives on human reproduction

Each session examines how current events intersect with the Scriptures and Christian belief. More than a study of the issues, participants will learn how particular United Methodist congregations use United Methodist teachings to shape relevant ministries in their communities.

Age: A 75 Pages

**(CUR2421) WALKING HUMBLY, DOING JUSTICE**

Walking Humbly, Doing Justice is part of the Becoming the People of God series which examine a section of the "Social Principles" of The Book of Discipline and The Book of Resolutions. This study relates to Paragraph 162 of The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church. This paragraph expresses the concern of Christian faith for basic human rights and the teaching of the Scriptures to do justice for the defenseless in society.

Topics covered:

- Racism
- Rights of Children
- Aging
- Substance Abuse
- Criminal Justice
- Access to Health Care
- Interfaith relations (Judaism & Islam)

The resource tells how individuals and congregations have answered the call for justice in their communities and the world. More than a study of social justice issues in our society, this resource will enable congregations to learn how to engage in social justice ministries in the name of Christ.

Age: A 103 Pages

**(CUR2422) CARING FOR GOD'S EARTH**

Caring for God's Earth is part of the Becoming the People of God series. This particular study is devoted to Paragraph 160 "The Natural World" in the Social Principles, The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church. Paragraph 160 treats basic environmental concerns, including environmental health. Each chapter examines one of the sections within Paragraph 160 in the light of relevant scripture. This study can be used for seven to eleven sessions. Sections include:

- Preface to The Natural World
- Water, Air, Soil, Minerals, Plants
- Energy Resource Utilization
- Animal Life
- Space
- Science and Technology
- Food Safety

Examples of actual individuals and congregations engaged in ministry around environmental issues are provided. This resource will help congregations develop ministries based on the teaching of The United Methodist Church and what has worked for others.

Age: A 87 Pages

**(CUR2423) GOD SIGHTINGS: LEARNING TO EXPERIENCE GOD EVERY DAY**

\*\*\*FOR SHORT TERM PREVIEW ONLY\*\*\*

God Sightings is a year long small group experience to renew faith and passion for God and His Word. This study focuses on helping groups and individuals see God actively at work in their lives and the world around them. The curriculum includes:

- A One Year Bible with daily passages from the Old Testament, New Testament, Psalms and Proverbs.
- A God Sightings Companion Guide with weekly God Sighting focuses, reflection questions and space for journaling
- A Small Group Leader's Guide with weekly sessions that include group activities and discussion questions.
- A Planning Guide with tips for getting a God Sightings group started.
- A CD-Rom with promotional tools, publicity items, music, lyrics, graphics and weekly reading chart
- A DVD with 8 "God Sighting" stories to help promote the study and motivate the members in your group.
- A booklet titled "R.E.A.L. Surprisingly Simple Ways To Engage Adults"

Age: A

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### (CUR2424) CROSSINGS: GOD'S JOURNEY WITH US

**\*\*FOR PREVIEW ONLY\*\***

This unique confirmation program focuses on exploring the 8 core stories of the Bible.

The Crossings confirmation program concentrates on three areas:

1. Identify the eight parts of the core biblical story. Crossings explores five events from the Hebrew Scripture and three events from the New testament in order to discover how God speaks to us and leads us in our journeys.

2. Relate the core biblical story to our individual stories. Each of the 30 sessions helps youth explore the intersection between the Bible and their own questions of identity, doubts, and hope, as they discover the questions the story asks of them.

3. Participate in the real life practices of the Christian church through worship, community, devotional life, and service.

Crossings includes a total of 30 sessions: 15 from the Hebrew Scripture and 15 from the New Testament. Three retreats provide beginning and ending points, plus a bridge between the Old and New Testaments.

Retreat 1: How Is the Bible True?

Genesis 1:1-2:3

Unit 1: God's Call

Genesis 12:1-9; Genesis 17:1-27

Unit 2: The Exodus

Exodus 3:1-12; 7-11; 12; 14-15

Unit 3: The Sinai Covenant

Exodus 19:1-6; 20:1-17; 24:3-8; Deuteronomy 6:1-7

Unit 4: Promised Land

Numbers 21:4-9; Joshua 6:1-25; 24:1-24

Unit 5: The Davidic Rule

2 Samuel 7:4-16; 2 Kings 17; 25; Isaiah 53; Zechariah 8:3-13

Retreat 2: Jesus' Family Tree

Matthew 1:1-17

Unit 6: Jesus' Life

Luke 1:1-4; 1 Corinthians 15:3-8

Unit 7: The Cross

Matthew 27; Mark 15; Luke 9:21-22; 23; Hebrews 2:10-18;

Philippians 2:1-11

Unit 8: Resurrection Life

Matthew 28; Mark 16:1-8; Luke 23:50-24:12; John 20-21; 1

Corinthians 15

Retreat 3: Run the Race

Matthew 8:11; Hebrews 11:1-12:2; Revelation 4:1-11

Includes 1 and 2 year option plans.

Kit includes a Leader's Guide, Youth Journal, X-Treme Bible Trivia Game and posters

Age: MH

### (CUR2425) COMBOS FOR YOUTH GROUPS VOL. 1

Combos For Youth Groups are 6 month long, all inclusive youth group programs for youth groups with 10 or more youth. Each volume is broken into 6 one-month long themes. The programs are stuffed with coordinated "a la carte menus" that include –

- Off-Site Activities
- Class Lessons
- Service Projects
- Skit Scripts
- Music: nearly 300 popular songs
- Games: about 60 games
- Videos
- Scripture Tie-Ins
- Illustrative Snacks
- Discussion Questions
- Handouts
- PowerPoint Presentations
- Devo Aids
- Theme Wall Decor
- Hands-On Activities

Combos for Youth Groups includes complete plans, plus a CD-ROM for customizing six multi-faceted 1-month youth group themes.

Choose your favorite themes and campaign elements within the Combos "menus", offering them in any order, at any time during the calendar year.

Volume #1 Themes:

- The Game of Life
- Takin' Out the Trash
- For Heaven's Sake
- Walk Tall
- Awesome Powers
- Finding You

Includes CD-ROM

Allows youth workers flexibility when modifying the themes to meet their group's specific needs.

Age: MH 96 Pages

**(CUR2426) COMBOS FOR YOUTH GROUPS VOL. 2**

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Volume #2 Themes:

- Who Do You Say?
- Picture This!
- God Loves Good Sex
- Road Trip
- Beyond Belief
- Rescue 911

Includes CD-ROM

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Age: MH 96 Pages

**(CUR2427) COMBOS FOR YOUTH GROUPS VOL. 3**

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Volume #3 Themes:

- Color My World
- Fired Up!
- It Takes Two...or More
- Under Construction
- Good Book Look
- House of Faith

Includes CD-ROM

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Age: MH 96 Pages

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### **(CUR2428) COMBOS FOR YOUTH GROUPS VOL. 4**

Combos For Youth Groups are 6 month long, all inclusive youth group programs for youth groups with 10 or more youth. Each volume is broken into 6 one-month long themes. The programs are stuffed with coordinated “a la carte menus” that include –

- Off-Site Activities
- Class Lessons
- Service Projects
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Choose your favorite themes and campaign elements within the Combos “menus”, offering them in any order, at any time during the calendar year.

Volume #4 Themes:

- Defining Moments
- Judge Knot
- Titans Remembered
- Altar Your Life
- The Party Life
- Games We Play

Includes CD-ROM

Allows youth workers flexibility when modifying the themes to meet their group’s specific needs.

Age: MH 96 Pages

### **(CUR2429) AMAZING BIBLE RACE: HISTORY JOSHUA-ESTHER**

Take your youth on a scavenger hunt through the Bible and read it in its entirety over six 12-week legs. How many times have you wished your youth knew more of the Bible? Sure, they can give you a rundown of some familiar stories; but when was the last time they looked at the Bible as a scavenger-hunt, digging and searching for new discoveries to open up their faith? The Amazing Bible Race was created with that in mind.

Teams will work together to solve weekly challenges, encourage one another, and build community as you all “race” toward this goal. The Amazing Bible Race is less like a sprint and more like a marathon, building knowledge, endurance, and faith with every chapter read. Groups accrue points and at the end of the official Race the top ten point getters receive \$500 toward a mission organization of their choice or towards their youth missions program.

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Teams get points for daily reading, completing the Weekly Challenge, accomplishing any Fast Forwards, and jumping over any Hurdles. Points are turned in and tallied on the website. Race directors are encouraged to celebrate the "finish line" of each leg with a party and a recognition of the winning team.

The six legs of the race are

Leg 1—Law: Genesis—Deuteronomy

Leg 2—History: Joshua—Esther

Leg 3—Wisdom: Job—Song of Solomon

Leg 4—Prophets: Isaiah—Malachi

Leg 5—Gospel and the Early Church: Matthew—Acts

Leg 6—Letters and Prophecy: Romans—Revelation

Check out the race at [www.amazingbiblepace.com](http://www.amazingbiblepace.com).

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**(CUR2430) AMAZING BIBLE RACE: WISDOM JOB-SOLOMON**

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**(CUR2431) AMAZING BIBLE RACE: PROPHETS ISAIAH-MALACHI**

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## DVD Descriptions

### (DVD9711) VEGGIE TALES: MOE AND THE BIG EXIT

VeggieTales, Moe and the Big Exit, tells the story of Moses in the way only VeggieTales can with hilarious storytelling and fun for the whole family. Meet Moe (played by Larry the Cucumber), a good-natured cowboy living high on the hog out in Dodgeball city while his kinfolk work their fingers to the bone digging the Grand Canyon. Upset by how his family is treated, he stands up to the zucchini foreman and sends him up the river. Feeling poorly 'bout his actions and fearing for his life, Moe packs a bag and heads for the hills. After years of living on the lamb, Moe gets his nerve up, returns to Dodgeball City and tells the zucchini mayor 'let my people go.' As you might reckon, the heartless mayor refuses to listen and a heap of trouble comes to town. Can Moe help his people get free from their bondage and flee Dodgeball once and fer' all? VeggieTales® Moe and the Big Exit is a western adventure with a lesson on following directions. Includes a hilarious silly song starring everyone's favorite boy band - Boyz in the Sink!

Age: eE 52 mins

### (DVD9744) VEGGIE TALES: LARRY BOY AND THE BAD APPLE

Something is rotten in Bumblyburg! The Bad Apple is trying to take control of the town by making all of its citizens give into their greatest temptations. Everyone is in danger - Mayor Blueberry, Reporter Petunia, Butler Alfred - even the town's fearless defender, LarryBoy!

Will the good people of Bumblyburg be able to resist the Bad Apple's clever tricks? Can LarryBoy see through this sour plot and save the day?

With help from our favorite SuperHero, that we can't fight temptation on our own - we need God's help and the help of our friends!

Age: eE 46 mins

### (DVD9745) VEGGIE TALES: GOD MADE YOU SPECIAL

Our landmark collection of four heartwarming stories helps kids learn that they are special just the way God made them!

\*Dave and the Giant Pickle - A shepherd boy realizes that little guys can do big things too.

\*The Gourds Must Be Crazy - The Veggies learn to appreciate the differences in others.

\*A Snoodle's Tale - A self-conscious Snoodle realizes the way God sees him is the only thing that matters.

\*VeggieTales Bob's Vacation - Bob and all the Veggies learn how special they are! First time on DVD!

\*My Day music video

Two favorite Silly Songs will get everyone giggling - "Belly Button" and "The Yodeling Veterinarian of the Alps."

Filled with laughs, lots of surprises, over 70 minutes of fun. Hear personal stories from Veggie fans as we learn one great lesson: God made you special and He loves you very much!

Age: eE 75 mins

### (DVD9746) VEGGIE TALES: BOB & LARRY'S HOW TO DRAW

Join Larry and the artists from Big Idea to learn how to draw Bob the Tomato, Junior Asparagus and more than 10 other favorite VeggieTales characters in this fun-filled, 90-minute show.

Turn a pencil and a plain piece of paper into a party and discover fun tips and tricks that will make whatever you draw better than ever! With groundbreaking animation, live action, and all new music, Bob & Larry's How to Draw is sure to be a favorite of young artists everywhere!

Age: eE 90 mins

### (DVD9167) FAITH LESSONS ON THE DEATH & RESURRECTION OF THE MESSIAH

This 10 session series focuses on the last week of Jesus' life, his death and resurrection, and the Holy Spirit's visit on Pentecost. Filmed on location in Israel is a unique video series that brings God's Word to life with astounding relevance. By weaving together the Bible's fascinating historical, cultural, religious and geographical contexts, teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan reveals keen insights into Scripture's significance for modern believers. These illuminating faith lessons afford a new understanding of the Bible that will ground your convictions and transform your life.

- 1- When Storms come
2. Piercing the Darkness
3. Gates of Hell
4. City of the Great King (Parts 1 and 2)
5. the Lamb of God
6. The Weight of the World
7. Roll away the Stone
8. Power to the People
9. Total Commitment

One 14 page study guide within DVD box, & 1 large paperback leaders guide & 2 Participant's Guides.

"Can be used by churches so long as no fee of any kind is charged for viewing, and the program is not used, in whole or in part for fund-raising or commercial purposes"

Age: YAS 118 mins

### (DVD9169) VERACITY VIDEO VIGNETTE VOL. 9

Five short films to engage the youth and adults to look deeper into the scripture to find truth. These video discussion starters reflect five theme words. The video vignettes may be used in group settings to get viewers to discuss the topics and as well as video sermon illustrations in worship.

Volume 9 Session Titles:

- Recalculating (2:06)
- Water Of Life (1:56)
- At The Table (1:36)
- Free Of Charge (1:46)
- Nanny Cam (2:11)

Includes a discussion guide.

Age: MH 11 mins

## DVD Descriptions

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### **(DVD9170) VERACITY VIDEO VINGETTE VOL. 10**

Five short films to engage the youth and adults to look deeper into the scripture to find truth. These video discussion starters reflect five theme words. The video vignettes may be used in group settings to get viewers to discuss the topics and as well as video sermon illustrations in worship.

Volume 10 Session Titles:

- Hide and Seek (1:55)
- No More...Dry Tears (3:41)
- Two Masters (2:03)
- Front Page Exclusive (2:52)
- Oh No, What Do I Do? (2:32)

Includes a discussion guide.

Age: MH 13 mins

### **(DVD8149) CURING AFFLUENZA**

Abundant Life: What is it? Many of us are ready to simplify our lives but who has the time to do it! Or the will! Or the know-how! Being an on-the-go consumer is as American as apple pie. It keeps the economy strong. But what is it doing to us and all we love? Some people are saying it has made us sick with a disease they cleverly call 'affluenza.' Tony Campolo tells us about a cure that's actually documented in the Bible. 'Sell all you have and give it to the poor.' Tony says we can and tells us how. He tackles such forbidden subjects as our 'money' and our 'time' and our 'stuff.'

Session Titles:

1. Money: How Poor Does Jesus Want Us To Be?
2. Abundant Life: What Is It?
3. Time: How Much Do I Have To Give Away?
4. Stuff: How Much Can I Have?
5. Support: Who Will Help?
6. Next: What Do I Do Come Monday Morning?

Study guide included.

Free study guide online from EcuFilm at:

[http://www.ecufilm.org/OnlineResources/pdf\\_resources/CuringAffluenza.pdf](http://www.ecufilm.org/OnlineResources/pdf_resources/CuringAffluenza.pdf)

Age: YA 115 mins

### **(DVD8469) LIQUID: FORK IN THE ROAD**

LIQUID is a DVD-based experience featuring five 10-minute episodes in each series, as well as a 112-page Reflection 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. With emotionally provoking videos, introspective questions, and tips for leading a small group, LIQUID is the perfect experience for individual growth or small group study.

"Fork in the Road" is a modern retelling of the life of David. From his legendary triumph over Goliath to his greatest downfall with Bathsheba, Fork in the Road portrays one man's crucial moments of decision that either lead him to victory or defeat.

Chapters:

1. Giants
2. Conflicts
3. Lures
4. Avoidances
5. Compasses

Includes a discussion guide.

See a preview at

[http://www.christianbook.com/Christian/Books/product?item\\_no=7595&event=CF#CURR](http://www.christianbook.com/Christian/Books/product?item_no=7595&event=CF#CURR)

Age: HYA 50 mins

### **(DVD8847) LIQUID: LIVE AT FIVE**

LIQUID is a DVD-based experience featuring five 10-minute episodes in each series, as well as a 96-page Reflection 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. With emotionally provoking videos, introspective questions, and tips for leading a small group, LIQUID is the perfect experience for individual growth or small group study.

Live at Five is the story of Natalie Neff and her struggles to discover purpose and direction in her life. Just out of college, she's faced with daunting challenges both personally and professionally. Based on the book of James, Live at Five portrays the practical advice of James in a light-hearted, culturally relevant way.

Chapters:

1. Bad Day
2. Temptations
3. Words
4. Attitude
5. Faith and Works

Includes a discussion guide.

See a preview at

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Age: HYA 50 mins

**(DVD8819) LIQUID: MONEY TALKS**

LIQUID will revolutionize the way you view small group study. This DVD-based experience features five 10-minute episodes in each series, 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. With emotionally provoking videos, introspective questions and tips for leading a small group, LIQUID is the perfect experience for individual growth or small group study.

If you think you have ever had issues with money, you should meet the Penders. Money is a part of all our lives, but to this California family, money is everything. Their outrageous view of money provides an amusing yet insightful reflection on struggles we face in our consumer-driven culture. Money Talks takes a lighthearted but important look at one of the more difficult issues of our faith: stewardship.

Chapters:

1. Investments
2. Stuff
3. Leverage
4. Charity
5. Priorities

Includes a discussion guide.

See a preview at

[http://www.christianbook.com/Christian/Books/product?item\\_no=7595&event=CF#CURR](http://www.christianbook.com/Christian/Books/product?item_no=7595&event=CF#CURR)

Age: HYA 50 mins

**(DVD8152) CHRISTIANITY AND WORLD RELIGIONS WESTLING WITH QUESTIONS PEOPLE ASK**

Christianity and World Religions is six weeks long, with the following topics:

1. Questions Thinking People Ask
2. Hinduism
3. Buddhism
4. Islam
5. Judaism
6. Christianity

The opening session deals openly and honestly with questions people ask about other religions, including why we should believe the claims of Christianity over those of other faiths. In the sessions on Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism, Hamilton interviews a religious leader from that tradition and includes the taped comments in his remarks.

In the final session, he attempts to distill the essential beliefs of Christianity, in light of the other religious beliefs that have been presented. The study (one of three by Hamilton) is designed as a "fishing expedition," with tools and helps that will enable congregations to make the study a church-wide and community-wide outreach event, including sermon starters and promotion aids.

Contains DVD, Leader's Guide and book.

Age: YAS

**(DVD8158) RINGS OF FELLOWSHIP**

RINGS OF FELLOWSHIP is Disciple Bible Outreach Ministries' youth Bible study curriculum. RINGS follows the model of DISCIPLE and is designed to reach teens in an innovative format that promotes spiritual growth and positive peer dynamics. RINGS stands for Responsibility, Invitation, Neighbors, God and Service and teaches the Biblical themes of love for God and love for neighbor. RINGS is suitable for use in a number of settings including local church youth groups, youth Sunday School classes, institutional settings or as a community-based outreach. This 20-session study includes a Facilitator's Notebook with session outlines, a student manual and 2 DVDs.

Age: MH

**(DVD8154) FEARLESS: IMAGINE YOUR LIFE WITHOUT FEAR**

Each sunrise seems to bring fresh reasons for fear.

They're talking layoffs at work, slowdowns in the economy, flare-ups in the Middle East, turnovers at headquarters, downturns in the housing market, upswings in global warming. The plague of our day, terrorism, begins with the word terror. Fear, it seems, has taken up a hundred-year lease on the building next door and set up shop. Oversized and rude, fear herds us into a prison of unlocked doors. Wouldn't it be great to walk out?

Imagine your life, wholly untouched by angst. What if faith, not fear, was your default reaction to threats? If you could hover a fear magnet over your heart and extract every last shaving of dread, insecurity, or doubt, what would remain? Envision a day, just one day, where you could trust more and fear less.

Can you imagine your life without fear?

Six Lessons:

1. Why Are We Afraid?
2. Fear Of Not Mattering
3. Fear Of Disappointing God
4. Fear Of Life's Final Moments
5. Fear Of Global Calamity
6. Fear Of God Getting Out of My Box

Includes DVD, Discussion Guide, Leader's Guide and CD-Rom with sermon tips, guidelines for implementing a church-wide campaign.

\*Each member of your class should have a copy of the book by the same title. The lessons are based on members reading chapters from the book prior to each session.\*

Age: A 60 mins

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### (DVD8157) FEARLESS: IMAGINE YOUR LIFE WITHOUT FEAR COPY #2

Each sunrise seems to bring fresh reasons for fear.

They're talking layoffs at work, slowdowns in the economy, flare-ups in the Middle East, turnovers at headquarters, downturns in the housing market, upswings in global warming. The plague of our day, terrorism, begins with the word terror. Fear, it seems, has taken up a hundred-year lease on the building next door and set up shop. Oversized and rude, fear herds us into a prison of unlocked doors. Wouldn't it be great to walk out?

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Age: A 60 mins

### (DVD8712) READ AND SHARE BIBLE VOL. 1

Share the joy and wonder of God's Word with the children in your life. Thirteen essential lessons of scripture starring the Bible's best-known characters. The Read And Share™ Bible on DVD combines an enchanting art style with a warm narrator and gentle musical underscore to transport kids back to Biblical times. These 3 minute bite-size vignettes are perfect for the attention span of little ones, and give parents maximum flexibility to fit any time-frame.

Stories include:

The Beginning  
Adam & Eve  
The Flood  
Abram  
Isaac & Rebekah  
Jacob & Esau  
Rachel  
Home Again  
John the Baptist  
Jesus is Born  
Jesus is Tempted  
Jesus Love Children  
One Lost Sheep

Bonus Features:

-Downloadable Coloring pages  
-trailers  
-interviews with real kids  
-Behind the scenes

Age: Pe 60 mins

### (DVD8713) READ AND SHARE BIBLE VOL. 2

Share the joy and wonder of God's Word with the children in your life. Thirteen essential lessons of scripture starring the Bible's best-known characters. The Read And Share™ Bible on DVD combines an enchanting art style with a warm narrator and gentle musical underscore to transport kids back to Biblical times. These 3 minute bite-size vignettes are perfect for the attention span of little ones, and give parents maximum flexibility to fit any time-frame.

Stories include:

Joseph The Slave  
Joseph In Jail  
Joseph in Charge  
Joseph and His Brothers  
Moses  
Strange Fire  
Moses Goes Home  
Moses Parts The Water  
Ten Commandments  
Balaam's Donkey  
First Lord's Supper  
Jesus' Resurrection  
Holy Spirit

Bonus Features:

-Downloadable Coloring pages  
-trailers  
-interviews with real kids  
-Behind the scenes

Age: Pe 60 mins

**(DVD8714) READ AND SHARE BIBLE VOL. 3**

Share the joy and wonder of God's Word with the children in your life. Thirteen essential lessons of scripture starring the Bible's best-known characters. The Read And Share™ Bible on DVD combines an enchanting art style with a warm narrator and gentle musical underscore to transport kids back to Biblical times. These 3 minute bite-size vignettes are perfect for the attention span of little ones, and give parents maximum flexibility to fit any time-frame.

## Stories include:

Promised Land  
Samson  
Ruth & Naomi  
Samuel  
David and the Giant  
David is Chased  
Elijah  
Esther  
Shadrach, Meshach & Abednego  
Jesus' Life (The Coin, The Blind Man, and Lazarus)  
Saul Becomes Paul  
Paul and His Travels  
Paul's Shipwreck

## Bonus Features:

-Downloadable Coloring pages  
-trailers  
-interviews with real kids  
-Behind the scenes  
Age: Pe 60 mins

**(DVD8715) READ AND SHARE BIBLE VOL. 4**

Share the joy and wonder of God's Word with the children in your life. Thirteen essential lessons of scripture starring the Bible's best-known characters. The Read And Share™ Bible on DVD combines an enchanting art style with a warm narrator and gentle musical underscore to transport kids back to Biblical times. These 3 minute bite-size vignettes are perfect for the attention span of little ones, and give parents maximum flexibility to fit any time-frame.

## Stories include:

Gideon  
Hannah's Prayer  
Solomon  
Elisha: Seven Dips in the Jordan River  
Daniel  
Jonah  
Where is Jesus?  
Jesus Walks on the Water  
Jesus' Life: A very poor woman  
Jesus' Power  
Philip  
Peter in Jail  
The Best Is Yet To come

## Bonus Features:

-Downloadable Coloring pages  
-trailers  
-interviews with real kids  
-Behind the scenes  
Age: Pe 60 mins

**(DVD8709) READ AND SHARE BIBLE: CHRISTMAS**

Share the joy and wonder of Christmas with the children in your life. Animated straight from the pages of the popular Read and Share™ Bible, The Jesus Series introduces children to the life of Christ in a powerful new way. Departing from the 3-minute, bite-size story format of the Read and Share™ DVD Bible Volumes 1-4, this story of Christmas is an uninterrupted half-hour presentation of Jesus' arrival on earth. With enchanting art style, warm narration, and gentle musical underscore, children will experience the Christmas story in a powerful way.

## Bonus Material includes:

-Interviews with animators, writers and producers  
-printable coloring pages  
-trailers  
-storyboards  
Age: Pe 30 mins

## DVD Descriptions

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### **(DVD8155) AN UNCOMMON EVENT**

Score a touchdown with your small group—or your entire church—by offering this video retreat led by New York Times best-selling author Tony Dungy. This Super Bowl-winning coach has spent his life shaping young men. Now, Tony Dungy is ready to share core truths he wants everyone to understand, live by, and pass on to others. Each session challenges participants to live a more significant life—right where God has placed them!

Session Titles:

1st Quarter: Preseason Evaluation, Readjusting Your Game Plan  
2nd Quarter: Training Camp, Shaping Up Your Character  
3rd Quarter: Regular Season, Playing Your God-Given Position  
4th Quarter: The Playoff, Making an Uncommon Impact

Includes:

-DVD featuring all-new interviews with Tony Dungy. He'll explain what it means to become a person of faith, significance, and influence.

-CD-ROM with easy-edit promo pieces.

-Leader Booklet with session questions, activities, and sample schedules.

-Bonus Booklet! R.E.A.L.: Surprisingly Simple Ways to Engage Adults—with pointers you can apply to any small group/adult ministry event.

Flexible and great for a:

-Weekend retreat or all-day event

-Monthly breakfast

-4-week video study

-Kick-off or finale to the Dare to Be Uncommon™ men's Bible study

Age: YA

### **(DVD8237) EVIL AND THE JUSTICE OF GOD**

With every earthquake and war, understanding the nature of evil and our response to it becomes more urgent. Evil is no longer the concern just of ministers and theologians but also of politicians and the media.

We hear of child abuse, ethnic cleansing, AIDS, torture and terrorism, and rightfully we are shocked. But, N. T. Wright says, we should not be surprised. For too long we have naively believed in the modern idea of human progress. In contrast, postmodern thinkers have rightly argued that evil is real, powerful and important, but they give no real clue as to what we should do about it.

In fact, evil is more serious than either our culture or our theology has supposed. How then might Jesus' death be the culmination of the Old Testament solution to evil but on a wider and deeper scale than most imagine? Can we possibly envision a world in which we are delivered from evil? How might we work toward such a future through prayer and justice in the present?

These are the powerful and pressing themes that N. T. Wright addresses in this book that is at once timely and timeless.

Study can be used in either 2 or 4 one hour sessions

Titles include (9:20)

-What is Evil?

-Old Testament Perspectives on Evil (16:50)

-New Testament Perspectives on Evil (10:30)

-What Can We Do About Evil? (12:30)

Includes a DVD, Book and Study Guide.

Age: A 50 mins

### **(DVD9238) RESURRECTION: DID IT HAPPEN? WHAT COULD IT MEAN?**

The most startling claim of Christianity is that Jesus rose from the dead after being brutally executed on a Roman cross two thousand years ago. Could it possibly be true? And if it were, what difference could it make to us today?

N. T. (Tom) Wright, in this 50-minute presentation, walks us through the political, historical and theological issues at stake in Jesus' day and today. Shot on location in Israel, Greece and England, "Resurrection" presents the essence of Wright's thinking on the most important event in the Gospels. Well-known for his landmark "The Resurrection of the Son of God", Wright brings clarity and insight to one of the most profound mysteries in human history.

Four Segments:

1. The Concept Of Afterlife In The Ancient World (15:00)

2. The Idea of Resurrection in Jesus' World (11:00)

3. The Gospels and the Resurrection of Jesus (13:30)

4. The Significance of the Resurrection for the Christian Life (10:10)

A small study guide offers discussion questions for each segment.

Age: A 50 mins

### **(DVD8238) FAITH LESSONS FIRE ON THE MOUNTAIN**

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When the Israelites left Egypt, they were finally free. Free from persecution, free from oppression, and free to worship their own God. But with that freedom comes a new challenge—learning how to live together the way God intends. In this ninth set of Faith Lessons, discover how God teaches the Israelites what it means to be part of a community that loves him and the lessons we can begin to live out in our lives today.

6 Lessons:

1. The Lord Who Heals You

2. Not by Bread Alone

3. Their Blood Cried Out

4. The Mountain Of God

5. I led You Like A Bride

6. The Whisper Of God

Includes a DVD, Leader's Guide and Discovery Guide.

Age: A 170 mins

**(DVD8244) A THRILL OF HOPE: THE CHRISTMAS STORY IN WORD AND ART**

This 50-minute DVD presents the familiar story of Christmas as told in the Gospels of Luke and Matthew. Each passage of scripture is illustrated by the stunning artwork of John August Swanson, along with commentary by members of Candler School of Theology's esteemed faculty. With the beauty and power of art and sacred text, let this presentation act as a new catalyst for you on your journey of faith this Advent Season.

Chapter titles:

1. A Visit
2. The Nativity
3. The Shepherds
4. Epiphany
5. Presentation At The Temple
6. Flight into Egypt

Some suggestions for using this material:

- View the DVD in a single showing
- View the DVD by chapter or several chapters per session
- Use this DVD as a study resource. Includes a booklet with discussion questions for each chapter.

Age: YAS 50 mins

**(DVD8245) MUDHOUSE SABBATH: SEVEN WAYS OF CHRISTIAN FORMATION INSPIRED BY THE JEWISHNESS OF JESUS**

"It's not just that Jesus was a Jew, Jesus still is a Jew. Engaging Jewish practice and tradition is one important way of overcoming the gaps that we sometimes feel exist between Jesus and ourselves." So begins Lauren Winner on the powerful Mudhouse Sabbath DVD. Designed to be a course in Christian formation all by itself, or as a companion to her bestselling book, this resource will challenge you to:

- \* Encounter the Jewish context that nurtured Jesus
- \* Explore spiritual practices of hospitality, mindful eating, prayer and fasting, and mourning
- \* Deepen your Christian faith by incorporating these things into your life

Divided into seven sections or lessons, with discussion topics filmed on location, this 65-minute DVD resource will help you or your study group explore how our faith is rooted in ancient, Jewish, spiritual traditions and ritual.

1. Christianity and Judaism
2. Sabbath Keeping
3. Hospitality and Mindful Eating
4. Jewish and Christian Prayer
5. The Practice of Fasting
6. Morning Well
7. Doorpost

Includes a copy of the book "Mudhouse Sabbath: An Invitation To A Life Of Spiritual Discipline"

Age: A 65 mins

**(DVD8525) THE EASTER EXPERIENCE**

What if, what happened then, changes everything now? The Easter Experience DVD Study is a truly spiritual experience that has the power to change every member in your small group. The six 20-minute episodes bring the passion and resurrection of Jesus to life through dramatic storytelling and challenging teaching. Each episode explores a universal theme that is relevant to our lives all year round

Sessions:

1. My Life Has A Purpose
2. My Life Can Change
3. My Pain Is Understood
4. My Life Has A Plan
5. I Have The Promise Of Eternal Life
6. My Hope Is Secure

The 2 Session DVDs also include a Leader's Guide, Participant's Guide, Ministry Devotional and Leader's Training DVD.

Age: HYA 120 mins

**(DVD8526) 24 HOURS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD**

No single event in human history has received more attention than the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. In this study, Adam Hamilton guides us through the last twenty-four hours of Jesus' life. Each session is designed to help you experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death in a way you have never done before. In this DVD study, we travel to the Holy Land with Adam Hamilton to visit the sites where those earth-shaking events took place. We walk where Jesus walked and see what he may have seen, along the road that led to the pain and triumph of the cross.

The enclosed Leader Guide is designed to facilitate small group discussion about the content in the printed resource and the companion DVD. In addition to the questions and exercises keyed to each session, the Leader Guide features two format options (60-minute and 90-minute) and suggestions of ways to make the study a meaningful experience for any group.

Introduction (1:23)

1. The Last Supper (11:25)
2. The Garden of Gethsemane (6:57)
3. Condemned by the Righteous (9:15)
4. Jesus, Barabbas, and Pilate (9:10)
5. The Torture and Humiliation of the King (9:06)
6. The Crucifixion (12:54)
7. Christ the Victor (11:10)

Bonus: What If Judas Had Lived (4:56)

Preview: 24 Hours That Changed The World (1:07)

Includes Leader's Guide, Hardcover book of same title, and 40 Days of Reflection booklet.

Age: A 75 mins

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### **(DVD8891) DARE TO BE UNCOMMON**

This Super Bowl-winning coach has spent his life shaping young men. Now Tony Dungy is ready to share core truths he wants every man to understand, live by, and pass on to others.

This study is designed to help you explore key principles found in Tony Dungy's UNcommon™ (Tyndale House Publishers).

Through Scripture, discussions, and activities—plus character-building insights and candid "pep talks" from Tony Dungy—men will be challenged to examine their lives and aspire to a life of true significance. A life of renewed integrity...influence...and faith. Seven sessions reinforce important life lessons captured in UNcommon.

1. Strengthening Your Core
2. Loving Your Family
3. Lifting Your Friends and Others
4. Your Full Potential
5. A Mission That Matters
6. Influence Over Image
7. Live Your Faith

Includes DVD, study book and hardcover book "Uncommon: Finding Your Path To Significance" and "Surprisingly Simple Ways to Engage Adults" bonus booklet.

Age: A 15 mins

### **(DVD8692) 2010 30 HOUR FAMINE PREVIEW "HUNGER IN NIGER"**

Preview packete for the 2010 30 Hour Famine. Includes promotional poster, recipe for emergency feeding clinic peanut goo, and hunger band samples. The DVD contains a 6 minute video that will open your eyes to the reality of extreme hunger.

Age: MH 6 mins

### **(DVD8693) REIMAGINING EVANGELISM: INVITING FRIENDS ON A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY**

Sharing our faith in Christ is much more difficult than it was in the past. We now live in a post-Christian and pluralistic culture that does not respond well to traditional evangelistic efforts. But sharing the good news is not optional. Through this DVD, you will gain insight into and develop skills for sharing Christ with your twenty-first-century friends. Using a variety of formats--vignettes, conversations, role plays and animation--this DVD will help you develop spiritual friendships by:

- identifying activities you enjoy that you can invite friends to participate in
- discovering your gifts that can be used in developing spiritual friendships
- being thought-provoking by using the four basic spiritual discernment questions
- committing to listening to nonbelievers before jumping to respond to tough questions
- sharing your personal story of transformation
- learning two diagrams for presenting the good news of God's kingdom
- using questions to discern how to help friends take the next step toward Christ

Seven Sessions:

1. Do What You Love
2. Use Your Gifts
3. Ask Good Questions
4. Respond to Tough Questions
5. Share Your Story
6. Communicate the Good News
7. Invite a Response

Includes original book "Reimagining Evangelism" and Participant's Guide.

Age: A

**(DVD8557) CREATED BY GOD: TWEENS, FAITH AND HUMAN SEXUALITY**

Created by God is unapologetically scriptural and Christian in its approach to human sexuality. Its intent is to assist young persons as they strive to know and to embrace the fullness of life that God has intended for them. It deals in a very thorough way with the basics of human growth, sexual development and reproduction, but sets the "mechanics" in a framework of positive human relationships. THIS BOOK CONTAINS ANATOMICALLY CORRECT DRAWINGS OF THE BODY.

Created by God operates out of an understanding of sexuality that affirms maleness and femaleness as God's call to be in relationship with others. There is an undergirding desire to strengthen the self-esteem of those using these resources. Readers and study participants will know that sexuality is the good gift of God and that God desires of us the responsible expression of our sexuality.

Chapters:

- Changes Happening
- Fantastic Female and Marvelous Male
- Making Our Way Through Puberty
- Created by God for Intimacy
- Creating With God
- The Question Box

Contains a DVD to assist teaching, book, Parents Guide and a CD-Rom with Leader's Guide, planning resources and PowerPoint presentations.

Age: M

**(DVD1352) 36 PARABLES LIME**

One in a series of DVDs of short films based on the parables of Jesus.

Lime includes:

- Charlie: A young jazz saxophonist struggles to make a living as an artist. Based on the Parable of the Mustard Seed (Luke 13:18-9, Mark 4:30-2, Matt 13:31-2); approx 5 min.
- Wise/Foolish: A college girl who procrastinated all semester is forced to make a choice between cheating on her final paper or going on a date with her new boyfriend. Based on the Parable of the Wise and Foolish Builders (Matthew 7:24-29, Luke 6:46-49); approx 5 min.
- Together: Gary, a middle-aged alcoholic must choose to stay sober or live his old life when his attempt to keep his relationship with his daughter backfires. Based on the Parable of the Wheat and the Weeds (Matthew 13: 24-30); approx 5 min.

A pdf format study guide is available to download from the DVD.

Age: HYA 40 mins

**(DVD9488) RIGHT NOW CHURCH LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT KIT**

This leadership development kit is designed to help church leaders make followers of Christ who are willing to trade in their time, money, and comfort for a world that needs Christ.

This kit can rally every leader in your church around the idea that The Mission of the Church Matters.

Topics:

- Francis Chan: Leading People Beyond Comfort
- Matt Chandler: The Power of the Resurrection
- Mark Batterson: Unleashing Caged Christians
- Tim Ross: Are You Worth Following?
- Alan Danielson: The Mission of Small Groups Matters
- George Barna: Fundamentals of Master Leaders

The Leadership Development Kit Includes:

- Overview DVD with Trailer and Samples
- 6 Leadership Development DVDs (5+ hours)
  - Teaching from key leaders
  - Behind-the-scenes interview with key leaders
  - Real-life stories of churches and people putting faith into action
- 4 DVDs of cinematic Sermon Illustration
  - 13 funny and dramatic mini-movies
  - 8 real life stories

- 1 Comprehensive Leader's Guide

- 5 Workbooks with Articles, Discussion Questions and Devotionals

- Unlimited Access for Staff and Volunteers to download 24 audio messages

Age: A

**(DVD9533) THE ME I WANT TO BE**

God wants you to become a new creation. But new doesn't mean completely different; instead it's like an old motorcycle that gets restored to its intended magnificence. The good news is that, as God redeems you and restores you, you become more you. You become more that person God had in mind when he first thought you up. God is not interested in mass-producing you, but rather handcrafting you to be his best version of you.

The Me I Want to Be book and group video experience is your first step to becoming God's best version of you. Join bestselling author and pastor John Ortberg as he guides you through the sometimes difficult but ultimately fulfilling journey toward a uniquely created spirituality. One designed just for you ... one that will enable you to experience God more fully each day.

5 Sessions:

1. Discovery The Spirit
2. Renewing My Mind
3. Redeeming My Time
4. Deepening My Relationships
5. Transforming My Experiences

Includes DVD, Leader's Guide, Participant's Guide and hardcover book.

Age: YA 70 mins

## DVD Descriptions

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### **(DVD9782) DIGITAL DIARY: CHRISTINE**

If you enjoy watching and discussing movies, you'll like Digital Diary, the first groundbreaking series from GodFilms. Each 10-12 minute short film features one individual on a mysterious and introspective journey to understand where God is in his or her life. And, each journey features a personal "digital diary" that causes the person (or individual, character) to stop, look and listen to Jesus' teachings.

Each DVD includes a discussion guide that contains images, scripture, thoughts, reflections and study questions that help unwrap the mystery and open up the conversation. The discussion guide also features end notes that shed even more light on the film. Christine: Can we trust God to heal our broken relationships? Are we defined by the choices we have made in the past? This short film tells the story of Christine, a young married woman struggling to understand her past while trying to save her marriage. In a mysterious and sometimes dark dream, she revisits her childhood grappling with the emotional scars that still remain over her father who abandoned the family. Will she run away from her own marriage, or learn to trust God and try again with her husband?

Age: HYA 12 mins

### **(DVD8104) LIVING INTO CHANGE**

This video is the presentation by Dr. Gil Rendle at the 2010 Bishop's Retreat for Clergy Families at Willow Valley Resorts. Dr. Rendle's 8 part presentation focuses on helping us to understand the great cultural shifts that are affecting the life and ministry of our congregations. Whether you use the video segments for self-enrichment, congregational reflection, leadership training or small group study, the Office of Connectional Ministries hopes that you will use this tool to help nurture vital ministry in your church and community. 2 DVD set.

Segment titles:

1. Into the Wilderness: Reminds us of the new context of a new mission field  
Part A 40:00 min  
Part B 35:00 min
  2. Help! Our Congregation is Frozen: Helps us understand why it is so hard for congregations to change.  
Part A 37:00 min  
Part B 27:00 min
  3. Called to Lead-Trained to Manage: Highlights the struggles that clergy face in being both manager of a congregation and leader of change.  
Part A 27:00 min  
Part B 29:00 min
  4. Life Beyond The Wilderness: Help for moving beyond those issues that keep us "stuck"  
Part A 32:00 min  
Part B 37:00 min
- Age: A 246 mins

### **(DVD8108) WHY JESUS? ANSWERING TOUGH QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR SAVIOR**

Culture is blurring the lines between different faiths. It is increasingly difficult for students to grasp how their faith in Jesus Christ is unique. In these four powerful sessions of Why Jesus?, David Nasser addresses the tough questions that students have about Jesus and points them back to the scriptural truths about our Savior. Videos were filmed on location in Israel. The four sessions include:

1. What's the Big Deal about Jesus? (20 min.)
2. Was Jesus God, or Just a Good Man? (12 min.)
3. Were Jesus' Miracles Just an Illusion? (13 min.)
4. Is Jesus the Only Way to Heaven? (20 min.)

Includes Leader's Guide with reproducible handouts.

Age: MH 65 mins

### **(DVD8288) CARE FOR RETURNING VETERANS**

About half of all service members serving in Iraq and Afghanistan are members of the National Guard or Reserves, which means they return to their home communities and churches after deployment. Often churches do not know how they can help. This DVD resource can aid churches in ministering to returning veterans. "Care For Returning Veterans" contains full PowerPoint presentations, videos, workshop outlines, and brochures to help your church minister to returning veterans and their families. The material can be used in workshops for pastors, caregivers or in adult small groups.

Age: A

### **(DVD8411) SURPRISED BY HOPE**

Many Christians believe that our future in heaven is all that really matters. But that's not what the Bible teaches. Premier Bible scholar N. T. Wright takes you inside the Scriptures to grasp the full, breathtaking hope Jesus offers the world, and its implications for how we live our lives today as believers.

In six transforming, faith-inspiring sessions, N. T. Wright reveals the amazing full scope of what God's Word has to say about the world to come and the world that is. What is heaven really like? Is our main duty as Christians simply to help non-Christians get there? What hope does the gospel hold for this present life, and in what ways does God intend for us to experience that hope personally and spread its healing power to the world around us?

Six Lessons:

1. Hope For the World
2. The Hope of The Resurrection
3. The Hope of Heaven
4. The Hope of Jesus' Second Coming
5. The Hope of Salvation
6. The Hope of the Church

Includes a Leader's Guide and Participant's Guide.

Age: A 130 mins