

Reclaiming Biblical Literacy Resource List

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DVDs and Videos

The Gospel of John DVD 226.5 Gos 129 minutes

A meticulous recreation of the turbulent events surrounding the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ as told by his disciple John. Narration and dialogue taken from the New International Version of the Bible.

How to Tell and Learn a Bible Story Video 220 HOW 45 minutes

Features step-by-step instructions from the Network of Biblical Storytellers. Practical, basic, watch this video and then become a biblical storyteller yourself!

Matthew Parts I and II DVD 226.2 Mat V.1&2 2 hours each

This powerful and entertaining film is taken word for word from the NIV translation and features a cast of thousands and historically accurate costumes.

The Parables of Jesus DVD 226.8 Wil 170 minutes

Filmed in locations across the US and Israel, the sessions are: The Coming of the Kingdom (Mt. 13:24-33); The Grace of the Kingdom (Luke 7:36-50); The God of the Kingdom (Luke 15:11-32); The Demand of the Kingdom (Mt. 13:44-46); The Mission of the Kingdom (Mt. 22:1-14); The Fulfillment of the Kingdom (Mt. 25:31-46).

Walking the Bible DVD 915.604 FEI 168 minutes

Includes bibliographical references and index. Maps of the Biblical World from c. 2000-1200 B.C.E. and of the Middle East on endpapers.

Children's Resources

Brown, Joyce. *Learning to Use My Bible*

This book will help children who are just receiving their first Bible to learn the basic Bible skills.

Bruce, Barbara. *Bible Brain Breaks* 268.432 BRU

- Includes brief, energizing activities that can be used with children, youth and adults. Each suggestion includes a scripture link and may take 1-8 minutes.
- Bruce, Barbara. *Teaching Children Bible Basics* 268 BRU.
Provides Sunday school teachers and children's ministry leaders with 34 interactive Bible lessons that teach eight- to the-year-olds basic Bible knowledge and skills.
- Delval, Marie-Hélène. *Psalms for Young Children* J223.209 DEL
The biblical Psalms describe a whole range of emotions, from joy and wonder to sadness and regret. This collection of Psalms, paraphrased for young readers, uses simple yet powerful imagery to help children express their feelings.
- Hastings, Selina. *The Children's Illustrated Bible* J220.9 HAS
Stories retold by Selina Hastings and illustrated by Eric Thomas.
- Lingo, Susan L. *Basic Bible Skills* 268.432 LIN BAS
Provides dozens of lessons and ideas for teaching children 8-12 about the Bible, how it is organized, skills in searching the scripture, using maps, time lines and dictionaries, and much more.
- McNabb, Bill and Steven Mabry. *Teaching the Bible Creatively* 259.2145 McN
A comprehensive, idea-packed volume that both outlines what makes Bible teaching creative and gives you dozens of ideas you can use right now to inject new life into your Bible studies.
- Osborne, Rick and K. Christie Bowler. *About the Bible* J220.61 OSB
Introduces the Bible, covering its major stories, favorite passages, how it was made, translated, and preserved, and how to read, study, and apply its teachings.
- Osborne, Rick. *Kidcordance: Big Ideas from the Bible and Where to Find Them* J220.3 OSB
A concordance for children that includes over 300 words and topics, illustrated with fun cartoons.
- Toulmin, Sarah. *Baby Bible* J220.9505 TOU
Twenty favorite Bible stories from creation to resurrection are told with charm and simplicity.

Study Options

- Allen, Ronald J. *The Life of Jesus for Today* 232.901 ALL
Includes discussion questions at the end of each of the 12 chapters on Jesus' life.

Brenneman, James E. *On Jordan's Stormy Banks* 222.1506 BRE

The book of Deuteronomy holds many of the levers for understanding the entire biblical corpus and has even been described as the theological center of Scripture.

Carter, Tom. *They Knew How to Pray* 248.32 CAR

This book invites the reader to study with masters of prayer from the Bible, including Joshua, Hannah, and Paul.

Essex, Barbara J. *Bad Boys of the Bible* 221.922 ESS

A presentation of men in the contexts of their cultures, leadership styles and basic human characteristics as they attempt to serve God and God's people.

Essex, Barbara J. *Bad Girls of the Bible* 220.92 ESS

A 12-week study that looks beyond the notoriety to show us women of boldness, courage, determination and independence.

Fowler, Sidney D., ed. *Push it! Volume 1* 220.071 PUS

Designed by young adults for young adults who are seeking to explore and challenge the Bible.

Griggs, Donald L. *The Bible from Scratch: The Old Testament for Beginners* 221.61 GRI

Ideal for a basic intro to bible course for adults. Includes material for minimum of eight lessons and a separate section for leader's guidelines.

Griggs, Donald L. *The Bible from Scratch: The New Testament for Beginners* 225.61 GRI

Ideal for a basic intro to bible course for adults. Includes material for minimum of eight lessons and a separate section for leader's guidelines.

James, Steven. *Never the Same: Stories of those who encountered Jesus* 232.95 JAM

Each story includes personal reflections and study questions for faith-related issues.

Kalas, J. Ellsworth. *A Hop, Skip, and a Jump Through the Bible* 220.61.KAL

Takes readers through the whole story of the Bible, highlighting the wonders of God's loving relationship with the human race.

Ott, Bernhard. *God's Shalom Project* 231.76 OTT

A basic overview of the Bible that includes the wide-ranging narrative of God's activity through time. Includes discussion and reflection questions.

Tanner, Beth LaNeel. *The Psalms for Today* 223.206 TAN

Includes discussion questions for each of the 9 chapters focusing on the major themes in the book of Psalms.

Vest, Norvene. *Gathered in the Word* 220 VES

Offers a practice of spiritual refreshment through *lectio divina*.

Wink, Walter. *Transforming Bible Study* 220.07 WIN

Uses split-brain theory, blending factual biblical information with readers' own experiences and their understanding of the Bible's relevance to present-day life.

More Adult Non-Fiction

Anderson, Ken. *Where to Find it in the Bible: The Ultimate A to Z Resource*
220.3 AND

A fully illustrated topical concordance for finding answers to today's issues.

Batchelor, Mary. *Opening Up the Bible: The ideal introduction to the world's best-selling book* 220.6 BAT

Gives a 'guided tour' through each Bible book—with brief summaries, highlights, important issues, key quotations, and essential information about historical context.

Bruce, Barbara. *Seven Ways of Teaching the Bible to Adults* 268 BRU

Based on the idea of using our multiple intelligences to build faith.

Bruce, Barbara. *Triangular Teaching* 268 BRU TRI

Bruce suggests a triangular approach to adult Christian education and faith formation that would integrate multiple intelligence theory, brain research and creative and critical thinking.

Brueggemann, Walter. *The Bible Makes Sense* 220.6 BRU

A "how-to" book for Christians interested in learning how to make sense of those parts of the Bible that are many times misunderstood or avoided because of their perceived complexity.

Griggs, Patricia. *Opening the Bible with Children* 220.07 GRI

Shows church school teachers how to integrate Bible skills into the church school curriculum.

Hayes, John H. and Keith Schoville. *Books of the Bible*

A 26-lesson, systematic overview of all the books of the Bible, ideal for persons who feel "new to the Bible" or who are new to the Christian faith.

Linn, Matthew. *Understanding Difficult Scriptures in a Healing Way* 220.6 LIN

Leads the reader to new interpretations of the Bible.

Page, Nick. *The Map: Making the Bible Meaningful, Accessible, Practical*
220.61 PAG

A user-friendly guidebook full of facts, graphics, honesty and humor.