

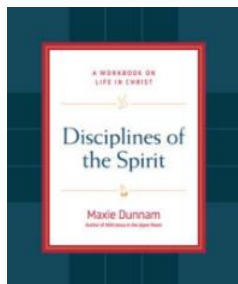


Resources added this fall - list 3! (selected titles)

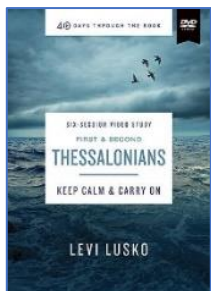
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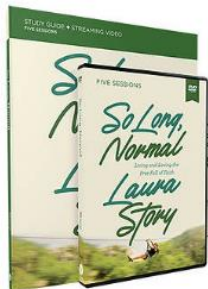
DVDs:



DISCIPLINES OF THE SPIRIT (104107) Author: Dunnam, Maxie D. In this seven-session DVD study, Maxie Dunnam explores core spiritual disciplines that have shaped the lives of Christians from apostolic times to today. Sessions: 1) Going on to salvation (5 min.); 2) Walking in the ways of God (7 min.); 3) Growth in grace (6 min.); 4) The means of grace (5 min.); 5) Baptism and Holy Communion (6 min.); 6) Prayer (5 min.); 7) Acting our way into Christlikeness (7 min.). The study consists of daily assignments (found in the study book) and weekly group discussions during which you will view the week's DVD segment. A study book for each participant will need to be purchased. Includes leader's guide and sample study book. Age: Adult. 41 Minutes.



FIRST AND SECOND THESSALONIANS: KEEP CALM AND CARRY ON (106103) Author: Lusko, Levi. In this six-session DVD study, Levi Lusko discusses Paul's letter to the Thessalonians, revealing what the apostle's words meant to his original readers and how they apply to us today. Part of the 40 Days Through the Book series, designed to help believers more actively engage with God's Word. Each study encourages participants to read through one book in the New Testament at least once during the course of 40 days (approximately 6 weeks of meetings) and will provide them with a clear understanding of the background and culture in which the book was written, insights into key passages of Scripture, and clear applications and takeaways from the particular book that participants can apply to their lives. Sessions: 1) The word is out (21 min.); 2) Never give up (20 min.); 3) Born for this (18 min.); 4) Mind your business (20 min.); 5) Between now and then (22 min.); 6) Keep calm and carry on (20 min.). Includes guide. CLOSED CAPTIONED. Age: Adult. 124 Minutes.

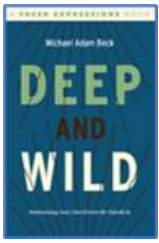


SO LONG, NORMAL: LIVING AND LOVING THE FREE FALL OF FAITH (119187) Author: Story, Laura. In this five-session DVD study, Laura Story guides us to leave behind the idols of comfort, caution, and routine so we can live strong and well in the face of adversity. Abundant life in Christ is truly found beyond our expectation when we say so long to normal. Sessions: 1) What's so bad about normal? (18 min.); 2) So long, familiar (20 min.); 3) So long, self (23 min.); 4) Hello, new life (22 min.); 5) Hello, unknown (24 min.). Includes study guide and paperback book. CLOSED CAPTIONED. Age: Adult. 107 Minutes.

Books:



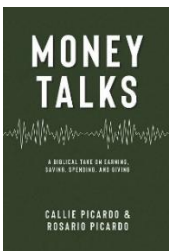
50 BIG IDEAS FOR CHURCH LEADERS (821117) Author: Bosarge, Anne. Would you say you're an in-the-box or out-of-the box thinker? Do you accept things as they are or challenge the norm? Do you settle for the way things are or push to understand more? Do you ask questions... Why? When? Where? Who? What? How? Too many church leaders conform to the comfortable culture of their congregation instead of pushing them to think outside themselves, their church, their preferences, and their comfort zone. If you're ready to stop the cycle of small thinking and begin to think BIG ministry thoughts, this book is for you! As you read the thoughts in this book, you will begin to embrace BIG ideas and see church ministry from a whole new perspective! Age: Adult. 102 Pages.



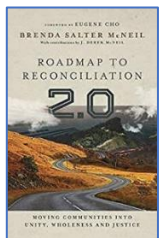
DEEP AND WILD: REMISSIONING YOUR CHURCH FROM THE OUTSIDE IN (821103) Author: Beck, Michael Adam. For better or worse, Jesus entrusted his mission to “make disciples of all nations” to us, and it starts in our own neighborhood. On the new missional frontier, being deep is not enough—God is calling forth some missional wild ones. We need to be deep and wild! Across the United States and beyond, the God who makes all things new is up to something. Amid a Christian landscape that looks and feels like a desert of decline, new oases of the Spirit are springing forth. Inherited congregations with long histories and deep roots are experimenting with cultivating wild forms of church called “fresh expressions.” Whereas revitalization often involves internal adjustments (an inside-out approach with better preaching, better coffee, better programs, etc.), remissioning through fresh expressions involves an outside-in approach. This book is a guide to help local church folks, the everyday heroes of the faith, make this much-needed journey toward vitality for the twenty-first century church. Chapters: The opening vision – a tree of life; The new missional frontier; Post-everything – six shifts; God of recycling bins, not dumpsters; Wild branches – fresh expressions; Deep roots – the blended ecology; (Re)missioning – time for a remix; Symbiosis – the hybrid organism; Closing vision – tree of life (re)mixed. Includes bibliography. Age: Adult. 309 Pages.



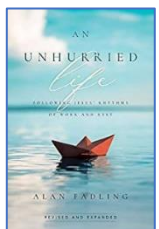
FORMING RESILIENT CHILDREN: THE ROLE OF SPIRITUAL FORMATION FOR HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT (821118) Author: Allen, Holly Catterton. Many children today are growing up in the midst of adversity, whether brought on by family difficulties or larger societal crises. All children need to be able to deal with stress, cope with challenges, and persevere through disappointments. While we cannot protect children from all hardships, we can promote healthy development that fosters resilience. In this interdisciplinary work, Holly Catterton Allen builds a bridge between resilience studies and children's spiritual formation. Because children are spiritual beings, those who work with them can cultivate spiritual practices that are essential to their thriving in challenging times. This book equips educators, counselors, children's ministers, and parents with ways of developing children's spirituality to foster the resilience needed to face the ordinary hardships of childhood and to persevere when facing trauma. It offers particular insight into the spiritual experiences of children who have been hurt by life through chronic illness, disability, abuse, or disasters, with resources for healing and hope. Chapters: What is children's spirituality?; Resilience in children; The intersection of children's spirituality and resilience; Parenting, children's spirituality, and resilience; Grandparenting, children's spirituality, and resilience; Intergenerational Christian experiences; God's story, our story; Body and spirit; Wonder; Severe trauma; Grief and loss; Good books; Hope and resilience. Age: Adult. 185 Pages.



MONEY TALKS: A BIBLICAL TAKE ON EARNING, SAVING, SPENDING, AND GIVING (821097) Author: Picardo, Callie and Picardo, Rosario. Money talks. Money has power. Influence. It ascribes worth and value. The good news is, money isn't the only thing that talks. God also talks. Even louder than money if we have the ears to hear. God is speaking today through the power of the Holy Spirit. And as much as the world loves to talk about money, God has even more to say. What is He trying to tell us in the midst of all this money talk? Simply this: He is enough. So, how can we talk about money as it relates to our relationship with God, others, and the world? This book is spiritual, but it's also practical. Readers will explore how to actually earn, save, spend, and give in a way that puts God, not money, first. Chapters: Introduction – what discipleship looks like; Chase money vs. earn money; Hoard money vs. save money; Squander money vs. spend money; Worship money vs. give money; Postlude – blessings. Larger than average print. Age: Adult. 168 Pages.



ROADMAP TO RECONCILIATION 2.0: MOVING COMMUNITIES INTO UNITY, WHOLENESS AND JUSTICE (821121) Author: McNeil, Brenda Salter. We can see the injustice and inequality in our lives and in the world. We are ready to rise up. But how, exactly, do we do this? How does one reconcile? What we need is a clear sense of direction. Based on her extensive consulting experience with churches, colleges and organizations, Rev. Dr. Brenda Salter McNeil has created a roadmap to show us the way. She guides us through the common topics of discussion and past the bumpy social terrain and political boundaries that will arise. In this revised and expanded edition, she has updated her signature roadmap to incorporate insights from her more recent work. This book includes a new preface and a new chapter on restoration, which address the high costs for people of color who work in reconciliation and their need for continual renewal. With reflection questions and exercises at the end of each chapter, this book is ideal to read together with your church or organization. If you are ready to take the next step into unity, wholeness and justice, then this is the book for you. Chapters: Introduction – a prophetic journey; What is reconciliation?; Landmarks of reconciliation; Shake it up! – the power of catalytic events; A shift in perspective – the realization phase; A group effort – the identification phase; Planning for action – the preparation phase; Doing justice – the activation phase; Repairing broken systems together – the restoration cycle; Staying the course – living out holistic transformation; Conclusion – living our holistic transformation. Age: Adult. 147 Pages.



UNHURRIED LIFE: FOLLOWING JESUS' RHYTHMS OF WORK AND REST (821125) Author: Fadling, Alan. Chapters: A frenetic life; An unhurried apprentice; Productivity – unhurried isn't lazy; Temptation – unhurried enough to resist; Unhurried enough to care; Unhurried enough to pray; Rest – the rhythm of creation; Suffering – unexpected unhurrying; Maturity – growing up takes time; Spiritual practices for unhurrying; An eternal life. Includes discussion questions and notes for a group study. Age: Adult. 208 Pages.