

# New Resources Dec 2019-Jan 2020

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ADULTS 220 **Adult Bible Studies DVD: Life.** Nashville, Tenn, Cokesbury, 2019.  
COKESBURY

**Summary:** Spring Theme: Life. This spring, our lessons support the theme of "Life." The writer of the student book lessons is Randy Cross; the teacher book writer is Taylor Mills. Wilderness: Spiritual Practice - Fasting. Scripture - Genesis 3:8-24 | Matthew 26:36-46 | Numbers 21:4-9 | Matthew 4:1-11 | 2 Kings 25:8-21. Suffering is a reality of life, and this unit takes us to five places in Scripture where suffering is a dominant theme: an Old Testament garden story and a New Testament garden story, an Old Testament wilderness story and a New Testament wilderness story, and the exile of the people of Judah. We examine these stories, not to wallow in misery, but to understand them as context for hope and salvation. Salvation: Scripture - Mark 15:22-39 | Matthew 28:1-10 | Haggai 2:1-9 | Mark 1:1-8. Spiritual Practice - Generosity. Suffering, the theme connecting the lessons in our first unit this quarter, is not the end of our story when God is involved with us. Thus, this second unit is about salvation. Over its four lessons, we will look at the new start for the people of Judah represented by the rebuilding of the Temple in Haggai's time and the new start for humankind announced by John the Baptist and accomplished through the death and resurrection of Jesus, —new starts made possible by God's initiative. Grace: Scripture - Revelation 22:1-5 | Genesis 3:21; 4:10-16 | Exodus 16:2-15 | Luke 23:32-33, 39-43 | Acts 2:1-21. Spiritual Practice - Service. The first unit in this quarter began with the expulsion from the garden of Eden, the loss of paradise. With this unit, in Lesson 10, we see the Bible's prophecy of the return to paradise, the kingdom of God, made possible by God's grace. The other four lessons of this unit identify points in Scripture at which God's grace was also operative, reminding us that grace is an ongoing force in life for the faithful today as well. The DVD includes 14 brief video segments, each featuring the host for the unit providing context for the lesson and then tying that content to personal stories and daily living. --Cokesbury

ADULTS 220 **Adult Bible Studies Student: Life.** Nashville, Tenn, Cokesbury, 2019.  
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ADULTS 220 **Adult Bible Studies Teacher: Life**. Nashville, Tenn, Cokesbury, 2019.  
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for guiding group discussion. Now, in response to feedback, we are introducing new features and benefits for teachers, and their students including: A comprehensive Bible study plan with more flexibility in terms of Scripture selection and topics. Additional information, as well as suggestions, designed to help leaders and facilitators lead with confidence. Observation of the church seasons, including Advent and Lent. Suggestions for developing spiritual practices (prayer, confession, worship, mindfulness, solitude, community, hospitality, neighboring, service, and celebration). --Cokesbury

ADULTS 225 Wright, N. T. ***The New Testament in Its World: An Introduction to the History, Literature, and Theology of the First Christians***. Grand Rapids, MI, Zondervan Academic, 2019.

**Summary:** Finally: an introduction that captures the excitement of the early Christians, helping today's readers to think like a first-century believer while reading the text responsibly for today. The New Testament in Its World is your passageway from the twenty-first century to the era of Jesus and the first Christians. A highly-readable, one-volume introduction placing the entire New Testament and early Christianity in its original context, it is the only such work by distinguished scholar and author N. T. (Tom) Wright. An ideal guide for students, The New Testament in Its World addresses the many difficult questions faced by those studying early Christianity. Both large and small, these questions include: What is the purpose of the New Testament? What was the first-century understanding of the kingdom? What is the real meaning of the resurrection in its original context? What really were the Gospels? Who was Paul and why are his letters so controversial? As twenty-first-century people, how do we recover the excitement of what it was like to live as Christians in the first or second centuries? In short, The New Testament in Its World brings together decades of ground-breaking research, writing, and teaching into one volume that will open readers' eyes to the larger world of the New Testament. It presents the New Testament books as historical, literary, and social phenomena located in the world of Second Temple Judaism, amidst Greco-Roman politics and culture, and within early Christianity. Written for both classroom and personal use, the benefits of The New Testament in Its World include: A distillation of the life work of N. T. Wright on the New Testament with input from Michael Bird; Historical context that situates Jesus and the early church within the history, culture, and religion of Second Temple Judaism and the Greco-Roman world; Major sections on the historical Jesus, the resurrection of Jesus, and Paul's chronology and theology; Surveys of each New Testament book that discuss their significance, critical topics like authorship and date, and that provide commentary on contents along with implications for the Christian life; Up-to-date discussions of textual criticism and the canonization of the New Testament; A concluding chapter dedicated to living the story of the New Testament; Available Video and Workbook companion resources to enhance learning and experience the world of the New Testament; Illustrated with visually rich pictures, maps, charts, diagrams, and artwork; plentiful sidebars provide additional explanations and insights. --Zondervan

**Content Notes:**

- Preface -- Abbreviations -- 1. Reading the New Testament -- 1.1 Beginning Study of the New Testament -- 1.2 The New Testament as History -- 1.3 The New Testament as Literature -- 1.4 The New Testament as Theology --2. The World of Jesus and the Early

Church -- 2.1 The History of the Jews between the Persian and Roman Empires -- 2.2 The Jewish Context of Jesus and the Early Church -- 2.3 The Graeco-Roman Context of the Apostles and the Early Church -- 3. Jesus and the Victory of God -- 3.1 The Study of the Historical Jesus -- 3.2 The Profile and Praxis of a Prophet -- 3.3 Who Did Jesus Think He Was? -- 3.4 The Death of the Messiah -- 4. The Resurrection of the Son of God -- 4.1 The Afterlife in Greek, Roman, and Jewish Thought -- 4.2 The Story of Easter according to the Apostle Paul -- 4.3 The Story of Easter according to the Evangelists -- 5. Paul and the Faithfulness of God -- 5.1 The Story of Paul's Life and Ministry -- 5.2 A Primer on Pauline Theology -- 5.3 1–2 Thessalonians -- 5.4 Galatians -- 5.5 1–2 Corinthians -- 5.6 Philippians -- 5.7 Colossians, Philemon, and Ephesians -- 5.8 Romans -- 5.9 The Pastoral Epistles -- 6. The Gospels and the Story of God -- 6.1 Mark -- 6.2 Matthew -- 6.3 Luke–Acts -- 6.4 John -- 6.5 The Making of the Gospels -- 7. The Early Christians and the Mission of God -- 7.1 Introduction to Early Christian Letters -- 7.2 Hebrews -- 7.3 Letters by Jesus's Brothers: James and Jude -- 7.4 Petrine Letters: 1 and 2 Peter -- 7.5 Johannine Letters: 1, 2, and 3 John -- 7.6 John the Seer and the Apocalypse of Jesus Christ -- 8. The Making of the New Testament -- 8.1 Introduction to Textual Criticism of the New Testament -- 8.2 The Canonization of the New Testament -- 9. Living the Story of the New Testament -- 9.1 Bringing it All Together -- Bibliography -- Index.

ADULTS 225 Wright, N. T. ***The New Testament in Its World DVD: An Introduction to the History, Literature, and Theology of the First Christians.*** Grand Rapids, MI, Zondervan Academic, 2019.

**Summary:** Enter the world of the New Testament. A companion to *The New Testament in Its World* by N. T. Wright and Michael F. Bird, these lectures serve as your passageway from the twenty-first century to the era of Jesus and the first Christians. Professors Wright and Bird will guide you through how to read the New Testament, the world of Jesus and the early church, deep studies on both Jesus and the Apostle Paul, lectures on every book of the New Testament, as well as how to live the story of the New Testament today. In addition to numerous studio lectures, on-location sessions will immerse you into the world of the New Testament. Filmed around the world, this series takes you on a journey with Wright and Bird to Jerusalem, Corinth, Athens, Rome, Nazareth, Qumran, Capernaum, and the shores of the Sea of Galilee. At over 13 hours of content, these lectures are the definitive video introduction to the history, literature, and theology of the New Testament. Numerous bonus lectures are also included. --Zondervan

**Content Notes:**

- 0 - Welcome to the Study (13 min) -- 1 - Beginning Study of the New Testament (19 min) -- 2 - The New Testament as History (5 min) -- 3 - The New Testament as Literature (18 min) -- 4 - The New Testament as Theology (19 min) -- 5 - The History of the Jews between the Persian and Roman Empires (10 min) -- 6 - The Jewish Context of Jesus and the Early Church (9 min) -- 7 - The Greco-Roman Context of the Early Church (14 min) -- 8 - The Study of the Historical Jesus (24 min) -- 9 - The Profile and Praxis

of a Prophet (15 min) -- 10 - Who Did Jesus Think He Was? (45 min) -- 11 - The Death of the Messiah (9 min) -- 12 - The Afterlife in Greek, Roman, and Jewish Thought (11 min) -- 13 - The Story of Easter according to the Apostle Paul (35 min) -- 14 - The Story of Easter according to the Evangelists (41 min) -- 15 - The Story of Paul's Life and Ministry (9 min) -- 16 - A Primer on Pauline Theology (24 min) -- 17 - Galatians (23 min) -- 18 - 1 and 2 Thessalonians (25 min) -- 19 - Philippians (25 min) -- 20 - Colossians, Philemon, and Ephesians (28 min) -- 21 - 1 and 2 Corinthians (29 min) -- 22 - Romans (23 min) -- 23 - The Pastoral Epistles (31 min) -- 24 - The Gospel according to Mark (21 min) -- 25 - The Gospel according to Matthew (19 min) -- 26 - The Gospel according to Luke and Acts of the Apostles (31 min) -- 27 - The Gospel according to John (23 min) -- 28 - The Making of the Gospels (11 min) -- 29 - Introduction to the Early Christian Letters (6 min) -- 30 - The Letter to the Hebrews (16 min) -- 31 - Letters by Jesus' Brothers: James and Jude (17 min) -- 32 - Petrine Letters: 1 and 2 Peter (17 min) -- 33 - Johannine Letters: 1, 2, and 3 John (16 min) -- 34 - Revelation (20 min) -- 35 - Introduction to Textual Criticism of the New Testament (18 min) -- 36 - The Canonization of the New Testament (6 min) -- 37 - Bringing It All Together (32 min).

ADULTS 225 Wright, N. T. ***The New Testament in Its World Workbook: An Introduction to the History, Literature, and Theology of the First Christians***. Grand Rapids, MI, Zondervan Academic, 2019.

**Summary:** This workbook accompanies *The New Testament in Its World* by N. T. Wright and Michael F. Bird. Following the textbook's structure, it offers assessment questions, exercises, and activities designed to support the students' learning experience. Reinforcing the teaching in the textbook, this workbook will not only help to enhance their understanding of the New Testament books as historical, literary, and social phenomena located in the world of early Christianity but also guide them to think like a first-century believer while reading the text responsibly for today. --Zondervan

**Content Notes:**

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of the New Testament -- 37 - Bringing It All Together.

ADULTS  
232.96  
FUQUAY

Fuquay, Rob. ***The Passion Play DVD: Living the Story of Christ's Last Days***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** Recognize your own place in the story and Passion of Jesus. Jesus' Passion story is presented each Lent in countless churches every year. But one play presented by the inhabitants of the village of Oberammergau, in Bavaria, Germany, may be one of the longest-running performance of all. Staged every ten years since 1634, the play makes an impact not only on the villagers who portray the characters but on all who see it as well. In *The Passion Play*, Rob Fuquay follows the biblical story of the Passion and shows how this amazing play has been used both as a ritual of praise and later as a weapon through its anti-Semitic past. The book makes a perfect six-week Lenten group study when paired with the Leader Guide and the DVD, which was filmed on location in Germany and contains behind-the-scenes footage of the production. The six-session DVD features Rob Fuquay guiding participants through the study. The video sessions are approximately 6–8 minutes in length and, when combined with the six book chapters, make an ideal six-week group study. All videos sessions are closed captioned. -- Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- 1. The Power of a Vow (7:55) -- 2. The Importance of Community (7:28) -- 3. The Role of Ritual (6:09) -- 4. Living the Story (7:42) -- 5. Telling a Better Story (8:47) -- 6. The Power of the Cross (8:20)

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**Content Notes:**

- Introduction -- 1. The Power of a Vow -- 2. The Importance of Community -- 3. The Role of Ritual -- 4. Living the Story -- 5. Telling a Better Story -- 6. The Power of the Cross -- Notes.

ADULTS  
248.3  
CHERRY

Cherry, Constance M. ***Worship Like Jesus: A Guide for Every Follower.*** Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** Learn what worship is, why we do it, and how Jesus shows us the way. God love 'em, truly, those congregants who faithfully "ride the pines" every Sunday, but who remain spectators rather than active participants in worship. Maybe they just don't grasp how important their role in worship is. *Worship like Jesus* will help ministry leaders share the basic meaning and purpose of worship with everyone in their congregation, using Jesus' model of worship. By presenting the most essential features of Christian worship for all Christ-followers—as well as an understanding of their role in worship—believers will be able to enter into worship in exciting and profound ways. Its well-organized structure uses sermons, team studies, and group experiences to help you change the culture of your whole church in ways you could never imagine. Includes a built-in Leader Guide for group study. --Cokesbury

ADULTS  
248.4  
HAMILTON

Hamilton, Adam. ***The Walk DVD: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life.*** Nashville, TN, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** How do we walk with Christ—daily follow him, grow in him, and faithfully serve him? Join Adam Hamilton this Lent and Easter in *The Walk* and discover five essential spiritual practices rooted in Jesus' own walk with God. In each chapter, Hamilton's engaging teaching style will help you

explore one of these practices—each of which is intended to be a part of our daily walk with Christ—its New Testament foundation, and its potential effect on our personal lives and our lives together as the church. Perfect as a standalone book or can be combined with the DVD, Leader Guide, and youth and children’s resources to create a six-week, churchwide study. The six-session DVD features Adam Hamilton guiding participants through the study. The video sessions are approximately 10–12 minutes in length and, when combined with the six book chapters, make an ideal six-week group study. All videos sessions are closed captioned. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- 1. Worship and Prayer: A Living Hallelujah (14:02) -- 2. Study: The Importance of Listening and Paying Attention (12:50) -- 3. Serve: Here I Am, Lord, Send Me (12:48) -- 4. Give: Where Your Treasure Is... (12:58) -- 5. Share: Going Fishing, Reflecting Light (13:25) -- 6. The Five Practices from the Cross (14:51)

ADULTS  
248.4  
HAMILTON

Hamilton, Adam. ***The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life.*** Nashville, TN, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** How do we walk with Christ—daily follow him, grow in him, and faithfully serve him? Join Adam Hamilton this Lent and Easter in The Walk and discover five essential spiritual practices rooted in Jesus’ own walk with God. In each chapter, Hamilton’s engaging teaching style will help you explore one of these practices—each of which is intended to be a part of our daily walk with Christ—its New Testament foundation, and its potential effect on our personal lives and our lives together as the church. Perfect as a standalone book or can be combined with the DVD, Leader Guide, and youth and children’s resources to create a six-week, churchwide study. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- Introduction: Walking with God -- 1. Worship and Prayer: A Living Hallelujah -- 2. Study: The Importance of Listening and Paying Attention -- 3. Serve: Here I Am, Lord, Send Me -- 4. Give: Where Your Treasure Is... -- 5. Share: Going Fishing, Reflecting Light -- 6. The Five Practices from the Cross -- Postscript: A Final Challenge -- Notes -- Acknowledgments.

ADULTS  
248.4  
HAMILTON

Hamilton, Adam. ***The Walk Leader Guide: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life.*** Nashville, TN, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** How do we walk with Christ—daily follow him, grow in him, and faithfully serve him? Join Adam Hamilton this Lent and Easter in The Walk and discover five essential spiritual practices rooted in Jesus’ own walk with God. In each chapter, Hamilton’s engaging teaching style will help you explore one of these practices—each of which is intended to be a part of our daily walk with Christ—its New Testament foundation, and its potential effect on our personal lives and our lives together as the church. Perfect as a standalone book or can be combined with the DVD, Leader Guide, and youth and children’s resources to create a six-week, churchwide study. The Leader Guide contains everything needed to guide a group through the six-week



study including session plans, activities, and discussion questions, as well as multiple format options. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- To the Leader -- 1. Worship and Prayer: A Living Hallelujah -- 2. Study: The Importance of Listening and Paying Attention -- 3. Serve: Here I Am, Lord, Send Me -- 4. Give: Where Your Treasure Is... -- 5. Share: Going Fishing, Reflecting Light -- 6. The Five Practices from the Cross.

ADULTS  
248.4  
HAMILTON

Hamilton, Adam. ***The Walk Prayer Journal: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life***. Nashville, TN, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** In *The Walk*, Adam Hamilton focuses on five essential spiritual practices that are rooted in Jesus' own walk with God and taught throughout the New Testament. Each of these practices is intended as part of our daily walk with Christ while also being an essential part of growing together in the church. *The Walk Prayer Journal* will help you deepen your walk with God through five essential practices of the Christian life. Packaged in quantities of 10, this prayer journal leads you through 40 days of prayer based on the five essential practices: worship, study, serving, giving, and sharing. Contains prompts for daily prayer and response based on *The Walk*, with ample space to write your prayers and reflections. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- Introduction -- Walking with Jesus -- Worship and Prayer: A Living Hallelujah -- Study: Listening and Paying Attention -- Serve: Here I Am, Lord, Send Me -- Give: Where Your Treasure Is... -- Share: Going Fishing, Reflecting Light -- The Five Practices from the Cross -- Continuing the Walk.

ADULTS  
248.4  
JAMES-  
BROWN

James-Brown, Erin. ***Finding Peace in an Anxious World***. New York, United Methodist Women, 2020.

**Summary:** The 2020 Spiritual Growth Study by staff of the Urban Village Church, uses the book of Proverbs and "The Serenity Prayer" as a guide to help Christians find their way through anxiety, worry, and fear and move towards God's peace that surpasses all understanding. Using "The Serenity Prayer" as a scaffold, *Finding Peace in an Anxious World* explores ways to discover peace through scriptural and spiritual disciplines so that we can be rooted in God and energized to live fully as disciples of Christ. --United Methodist Women

ADULTS  
248.4  
MIOFSKY

Miofsky, Matt. ***Let Go: Leaning Into the Future Without Fear***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** Move beyond fear into the life God wants for you. Imagine leaving everything you know, roaming through the unknown, going to a place you know nothing about to build a future. This is the story of Moses leading the

Israelites out of Egypt. Although the lives we lead may not be of biblical proportion, sometimes we, too, find ourselves on the edge of the unknown, anxious and fearful to move forward. Let Go uses the story of the Exodus to lead us beyond fear and through our very own “wilderness” to a promising future. Great for individuals or groups. --Cokesbury

ADULTS  
252.076  
WILLIMON

***Lectionary Sermon Resource: Year A Part 1.*** Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2019.

***Summary:*** Just what you need to begin the journey to a sermon! Will Willimon is widely acclaimed as one of the top ten preachers in the world. For each Sunday of the Christian year, Will provides just what you need to begin the journey toward a sermon. This guide will stoke, fund, and fuel your imagination while leaving plenty of room to insert your own illustrations, make connections within your congregational context, and speak the Word in your distinctive voice. Guidance from Will Willimon is like sitting down with a trusted clergy friend and asking, “What will you preach next Sunday?” Each week of sermon resources includes: 1. Readings 2. Theme title 3. Introduction to the Readings 4. Encountering the Text 5. Proclaiming the Text 6. Relating the Text --Cokesbury

ADULTS  
252.076  
WILLIMON

***Lectionary Sermon Resource: Year A Part 2.*** Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2019.

***Summary:*** Just what you need to begin the journey to a sermon! Will Willimon is widely acclaimed as one of the top ten preachers in the world. For each Sunday of the Christian year, Will provides just what you need to begin the journey toward a sermon. This guide will stoke, fund, and fuel your imagination while leaving plenty of room to insert your own illustrations, make connections within your congregational context, and speak the Word in your distinctive voice. Guidance from Will Willimon is like sitting down with a trusted clergy friend and asking, “What will you preach next Sunday?” Each week of sermon resources includes: 1. Readings 2. Theme title 3. Introduction to the Readings 4. Encountering the Text 5. Proclaiming the Text 6. Relating the Text --Cokesbury

ADULTS  
254.5 LEWIS

***Be the Welcoming Church.*** Washington, D.C, Lewis Center for Church Leadership, 2019.

***Summary:*** The Be the Welcoming Church Video Tool Kit will help you develop a congregation-wide ethos of hospitality and institute best practices for greeting newcomers, making them feel at home and encouraging them to return. Be the Welcoming Church will help your congregation be more effective as hosts for Christ. This resource may be used for hospitality training or in adult classes or groups. --Lewis Center

***Content Notes:***

- Biblical Hospitality (10:23) -- Seeing Your Church Through the Eyes of Someone New (4:03) -- Your Welcome Begins Online (5:31) -- How Welcoming is Your Building? (6:32) -- Hospitality is Everybody's Responsibility (10:42) -- Making Your Worship

Visitor-Friendly (11:09) -- Letting Your Visitors Know You Want to See Them Again (8:00)

ADULTS  
261.58  
RAWLE

Rawle, Matt. ***The Grace of Les Miserables***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** This Lent ponder the themes of justice, poverty, freedom, and love. Victor Hugo's *Les Misérables* is a truly epic story. Whether you've read the novel, seen the Broadway musical, heard its soundtrack, or seen the several screen adaptations, you already know the power in the story. In the six-week Lenten study *The Grace of Les Misérables*, author and pastor Matt Rawle dives into six ideals found in the story—grace, justice, poverty, revolution, love, and hope—each represented by a character in Hugo's story. In keeping with his previous works, Rawle brings us to the intersection of Church and Pop Culture by drawing parallels between the iconic story and musical and our Christian calling, inspiring us to both understand our faith and live it out in the world. Additional study components include a DVD, a comprehensive leader guide, a youth resource, and a Worship Resources Flash Drive. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- Introduction -- A Quick Refresher -- 1. Grace Well Received: The Story of Jean Valjean -- 2. When Grace and Justice Collide: The Story of Javert -- 3. The Poor Are Always with You: The Story of Fantine -- 4. The Gift of Love: The Story of Marius and Cosette -- 5. Building the Barricade: The Story of Les Amis -- 6. The Blessed Garden: A Hopeful Vision -- Acknowledgments -- Notes.

ADULTS  
261.58  
RAWLE

Rawle, Matt. ***The Grace of Les Miserables DVD***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** This Lent ponder the themes of justice, poverty, freedom, and love. Victor Hugo's *Les Misérables* is a truly epic story. Whether you've read the novel, seen the Broadway musical, heard its soundtrack, or seen the several screen adaptations, you already know the power in the story. In the six-week Lenten study *The Grace of Les Misérables*, author and pastor Matt Rawle dives into six ideals found in the story—grace, justice, poverty, revolution, love, and hope—each represented by a character in Hugo's story. In keeping with his previous works, Rawle brings us to the intersection of Church and Pop Culture by drawing parallels between the iconic story and musical and our Christian calling, inspiring us to both understand our faith and live it out in the world. Additional study components include a DVD, a comprehensive leader guide, a youth resource, and a Worship Resources Flash Drive. The six-session DVD features Matt Rawle guiding participants through the study. The video sessions are approximately 8–10 minutes in length and, when combined with the six book chapters, make an ideal six-week group study. All videos sessions are closed captioned. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- 1. Grace Well Received: Valjean (11:55) -- 2. When Grace and Justice Collide: Javert (10:19) -- 3. The Poor Are Always with You:

Fantine (10:16) -- 4. The Gift of Love: Marius and Cosette (11:24)  
-- 5. Building the Barricade: Les Amis (10:31) -- 6. The Blessed  
Garden: A Hopeful Vision (10:28)

ADULTS  
261.58  
RAWLE

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Abingdon Press, 2019.

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**Content Notes:**

- A Note to Group Leaders -- 1. Grace Well Received: The Story of Jean Valjean -- 2. When Grace and Justice Collide: The Story of Javert -- 3. The Poor Are Always with You: The Story of Fantine -- 4. The Gift of Love: The Story of Marius and Cosette -- 5. Building the Barricade: The Story of Les Amis -- 6. The Blessed Garden: A Hopeful Vision

ADULTS  
263.92  
MOORE

Moore, James W. ***Give Up Something Bad for Lent: A Lenten Study for Adults***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2012.

**Summary:** Wrap your arms around the "Good News" for Lent. During Lent each year, Christians give up something as an act of sacrifice and spiritual discipline. Often it is something like chocolate, knowing that after Easter Sunday they can once again enjoy what they have given up. James Moore challenges readers to take it further—to give up something spiritually that they would be better off not doing. He invites all to seek God's help to focus on eliminating one habit or attitude that is destructive. Imagine giving up envy, jealousy, self-pity, apathy, procrastination, gossip, resentment, or negative thinking, how much better life would be. The forty days of Lent are ideal to use this study and prepare to give up something bad while preparing to fully embrace the "Good News" of Easter. Study includes seven sessions, one for each Sunday in Lent and Easter Sunday. Each session features a Scripture reference, a personal reading, questions for personal reflection or group study, and closing prayer. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- First week of Lent, give up something bad for Lent -- Second week of Lent, give up harsh, condemning judgments for Lent -- Third week of Lent. give up the enemies within for Lent -- Fourth week of Lent. give up running away for Lent -- Fifth week of Lent. give up a bad habit for Lent -- Sixth week of Lent, give up pettiness for Lent -- Holy Week and Easter, wrap your arms around something good for Easter.

ADULTS  
282.092  
HALL

Hall, Amy Laura. ***Laughing at the Devil: Seeing the World with Julian of Norwich***. Durham, Duke University Press, 2018.

**Summary:** Laughing at the Devil is an invitation to see the world with a medieval visionary now known as Julian of Norwich, believed to be the first woman to have written a book in English. (We do not know her given name, because she became known by the name of a church that became her home.) Julian “saw our Lord scorn [the Devil's] wickedness” and noted that “he wants us to do the same.” In this impassioned, analytic, and irreverent book, Amy Laura Hall emphasizes Julian's call to scorn the Devil. Julian of Norwich envisioned courage during a time of fear. Laughing at the Devil describes how a courageous woman transformed a setting of dread into hope, solidarity, and resistance.

**Content Notes:**

- Time : on Poynte -- Truth : divine delight -- Blood : spiritual safety -- Bodies : nakedly and truly.

CHILDREN  
248.4  
HAMILTON

Hamilton, Adam. ***The Walk Children's Leader Guide: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life***. Nashville, TN, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** How do we walk with Christ—daily follow him, grow in him, and faithfully serve him? Join Adam Hamilton this Lent and Easter in The Walk and discover five essential spiritual practices rooted in Jesus’ own walk with God. In each chapter, Hamilton’s engaging teaching style will help you explore one of these practices—each of which is intended to be a part of our daily walk with Christ—its New Testament foundation, and its potential effect on our personal lives and our lives together as the church. Perfect as a standalone book or can be combined with the DVD, Leader Guide, and youth and children’s resources to create a six-week, churchwide study. The Children’s Leader Guide contains session plans for younger and older children (grades K–2 and 3–6) including games, activities, craft ideas, and reproducible handouts. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- To the Leader -- 1. Worship -- 2. Listening -- 3. Kindness and Service -- 4. Generosity -- 5. Witness -- 6. Following Jesus' Example.

CHILDREN  
248.4  
RANKIN

Rankin, Trudy. ***Managing Our Emotions: A Children's Study***. New York, United Methodist Women, 2020.

**Summary:** Managing Our Emotions helps children learn about their emotions and accept God's gift of their entire range of emotions (sadness, joy, excitement, fear, and frustration to name just a few) through four two-hour sessions. --United Methodist Women

CHILDREN  
268.432  
KEFFER

Keffer, Lois. **All Together Now: 13 Sunday school lessons when you have kids of all ages in one room.** Loveland, Colo, Group, 2012.

**Summary:** Lead your children, 4–12, on a journey through Exodus. All Together Now Sunday School is a best-selling Sunday school series by Lois Keffer. You'll find All Together Now Sunday school lessons available in four volumes--one for each season of the year starting with fall. Through these kids' Sunday school lessons, your children's ministry will experience life-changing adventures for kids in kindergarten through 6th grade. Imagine the impact these 13 interactive Sunday school lessons will have on the children of your church. Through All Together Now Sunday School, you'll discover interactive Sunday school lessons filled with creative ideas for mixed-age classes ages 4 to 12. All Together Now Sunday school lessons work great for small churches, larger churches with multi-age classes, midweek programming, and anytime you want to teach meaningful Bible lessons to children of different ages in the same class. With these kid's bible lessons you will be ready no matter who shows up. All Together Now Volume 1: Fall brings the book of Exodus to life in a way that engages children of all ages--even when they're all in the same room. These 13 interactive lessons will teach them unforgettable lessons such as God always helps us, God lights up our lives and saves us, and many more --Group

YOUTH  
248.4  
HAMILTON

Hamilton, Adam. **The Walk Youth Study Book: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life.** Nashville, TN, Abingdon Press, 2019.

**Summary:** How do we walk with Christ—daily follow him, grow in him, and faithfully serve him? Join Adam Hamilton this Lent and Easter in The Walk and discover five essential spiritual practices rooted in Jesus' own walk with God. In each chapter, Hamilton's engaging teaching style will help you explore one of these practices—each of which is intended to be a part of our daily walk with Christ—its New Testament foundation, and its potential effect on our personal lives and our lives together as the church. Perfect as a standalone book or can be combined with the DVD, Leader Guide, and youth and children's resources to create a six-week, churchwide study. This Youth Study Book takes the ideas presented in Adam Hamilton's book and interprets them for young people grades 6–12. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- Introduction: Walking with God -- 1. A Living Hallelujah -- 2. Listening and Paying Attention -- 3. Here I Am, Lord, Send Me -- 4. Where Your Treasure Is... -- 5. Going Fishing, Reflecting Light - - 6. The Five Practices from the Cross.

YOUTH  
248.4  
RANKIN

Rankin, Trudy. **Managing Anxiety: A Youth Study.** New York, United Methodist Women, 2020.

**Summary:** In *Managing Anxiety*, authors Trudy Rankin and Faye Wilson provide youth with a foundational understanding of anxiety and other emotions while equipping young people with practical ways they can manage them using our Christian faith as a guide. --United Methodist Women

YOUTH  
363.7  
TANGLED

***Inventing Tomorrow: The Future is Brighter Than You Think.*** Chevy Chase, MD, Tangled Bank Studios, 2018.

**Summary:** INVENTING TOMORROW follows young scientists from Indonesia, Hawaii, India and Mexico as they tackle some of the most complex environmental issues facing humanity today – right in their own backyards. Each student is preparing original scientific research that he or she will defend at ISEF, the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair. Framed against the backdrop of the severe environmental threats we now face, we immerse the audience in a global view of the planetary crisis, through the eyes of the generation that will be affected by it most. Considered the Olympics of high school science fairs, ISEF is the largest gathering of high school scientists in the world, attracting approximately 1,800 finalists from over 75 countries, regions and territories. All the finalists want to do a good job, but the heart of the story isn't about whether they go home with an award. As they take water samples from contaminated lakes, dig up the dirt in public parks, board illegal pirate mining ships, and test their experiments in a lab, we see each student display a tenacious curiosity, and a determination to build a better future. Motivated by the desire to protect their homes, these young people are asking questions about the issues they observe in their communities, and proposing innovative solutions to fix them. --Good Docs

***Content Notes:***

- 1. Theatrical version (87 min.) -- 2. Hour Version (55 min.)