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FEINBERG

Feinberg, Margaret. ***Taste and See DVD: Discovering God Among Butchers, Bakers, & Fresh Food Makers***. Grand Rapids, MI, Zondervan, 2018.

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Content Notes:

- 1. You're Invited to the Table (18:00) -- 2. Delighting in the Sweetness of Fruitfulness (20:00) -- 3. Chewing on the Bread of Life (21:00) -- 4. Savoring the Salt of the Earth (21:00) -- 5. Relishing the Olive and Its Oil (21:00) -- 6. Discovering the Liturgy of the Table (18:00)

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- Meet the Author -- Dear Leader -- Leader's Guide -- 1. You're Invited to the Table -- 2. Delighting in the Sweetness of Fruitfulness -- 3. Chewing on the Bread of Life -- 4. Savoring the Salt of the Earth -- 5. Relishing the Olive and Its Oil -- 6. Discovering the Liturgy of the Table -- Taste and See Memorization Flash Cards -- Recipe Index -- Notes -- Free Gifts

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HAMILTON

Hamilton, Adam. ***Simon Peter DVD: Flawed but Faithful Disciple.*** Nashville, TN, Abingdon Press, 2018.

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Content Notes:

- 1. The Call of the Fisherman (16:50) -- 2. Walking with Jesus in the Storms (12:07) -- 3. Bedrock or Stumbling Block? (16:22) -- 4. "I Will Not Deny You" (18:41) -- 5. From Cowardice to Courage (17:50) -- 6. The Rest of the Story (18:28)

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- To the Leader -- 1. The Call of the Fisherman -- 2. Walking with Jesus in the Storms -- 3. Bedrock or Stumbling Block? -- 4. "I Will Not Deny You" -- 5. From Cowardice to Courage -- 6. The Rest of the Story

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- Introduction -- 1. The Call of the Fisherman -- 2. Walking with Jesus in the Storms -- 3. Bedrock or Stumbling Block? -- 4. "I Will Not Deny You" -- 5. From Cowardice to Courage -- 6. The Rest of the Story -- Epilogue: The Silent Years -- Notes -- Acknowledgments

Higgs, Liz Curtis. ***The Women of Christmas: Experience the Season Afresh with Elizabeth, Mary, and Anna***. Colorado Springs, Colorado, WaterBrook Press, 2013.

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HIGGS

Summary: A sacred season is about to unfold for three women whose hearts belong to God. Elizabeth is barren, yet her trust in God remains fertile. Mary is betrothed in marriage, yet she is willing to bear God's Son. Anna is a widow full of years, yet she waits patiently, prayerfully for the Messiah to appear in the temple courts. Following in their footsteps, you too can prepare for the Savior to enter your heart, your mind, and your life in a vibrant, new way. Best-selling author Liz Curtis Higgs explores the biblical stories of Elizabeth, Mary, and Anna, unwrapping each verse with tender care and introducing you afresh to The Women of Christmas. --Waterbrook Multnomah

ADULTS
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THIBAULT

Thibault, Jane M. ***Pilgrimage Into the Last Third of Life: 7 Gateways to Spiritual Growth***. Nashville, Tenn, Upper Room Books, 2012.

Summary: Do you dread growing old? The Last Third of life, from age 60 on up, doesn't have to be feared. When viewed from a Christian perspective, this season of life can be meaningful, endurable, and even joyful, say authors Jane Thibault and Richard Morgan. Thibault and Morgan suggest approaching the Last Third as a pilgrimage—a journey full of purpose, ripe with opportunities for spiritual growth. The authors, ages 65 and 82, dig deeply into the realities of their lives and give you 7 ways to open yourself to God and the abundant life God wants for you. They address 7 gateways to spiritual growth: Facing Aging and Dying, Learning to Live with Limitations, Doing Inner Work, Living in and Out of Community, Praying and Contemplation, Redeeming Loss and Suffering, Leaving a Legacy. This collection of scripture-based meditations will inspire you or someone you know to move fearlessly into the Last Third, looking forward to the opportunities this time of life can hold. The book includes reflection questions and can be used by individuals or groups for a 7-week study. --Upper Room

ADULTS 253
BOERS Boers, Arthur P. ***Servants and Fools: A Biblical Theology of Leadership***. Nashville Tennessee, Abingdon Press, 2015.

Summary: Take what you think about church leadership and turn it upside down. Author Arthur Boers believes that many people who apply secular leadership models to the church have not taken the time to reflect and realize that Christian leadership has its own distinctive shape and character. He suggests we look at leadership as it is lived out in the biblical narrative and we'll find we should be thinking in reverse. Jesus practiced service and sacrifice, was cautious about power and hierarchies, and prioritized the vulnerable—pretty much the opposite of what we see in secular leadership standards. *Servants and Fools* is written for students, pastors, staff, and laity—anyone who wants to explore what it really means to be a Christian leader. --Cokesbury

ADULTS 253 Hartwig, Ryan T. ***Teams That Thrive: Five Disciplines of Collaborative Church Leadership***. Downers Grove, Illinois, IVP Books, 2015.

Summary: It's increasingly clear that leadership should be shared—for the good of any organization and for the good of the leader. Many churches have begun to share key leadership duties, but don't know how to take their leadership team to the point where it thrives. Others seriously need a new approach to leadership: pastors are tired, congregations are stuck, and meanwhile the work never lets up. But what does it actually mean to do leadership well as a team? How can it be done in a way that avoids frustration and burnout? How does team leadership best equip the staff and bless a congregation? What do the top church teams do to actually thrive together? Researchers and practitioners Ryan Hartwig and Warren Bird have discovered churches of various sizes and traditions throughout the United States who have learned to thrive under healthy team leadership. Using actual church examples, they present their discoveries here, culminating in five disciplines that, if implemented, can enable your team to thrive. The result? A coaching tool for senior leadership teams that enables struggling teams to thrive, and resources teams doing well to do their work even better. --InterVarsity Press

ADULTS 283.092 Taylor, Barbara Brown. ***An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith***. New York, HarperOne, 2010.

TAYLOR

Summary: In the New York Times bestseller *An Altar in the World*, acclaimed author Barbara Brown Taylor continues her spiritual journey by building upon where she left off in *Leaving Church*. With the honesty of Elizabeth Gilbert (*Eat, Pray, Love*) and the spiritual depth of Anne Lamott (*Grace, Eventually*), Taylor shares how she learned to find God beyond the church walls by embracing the sacred as a natural part of everyday life. In *An Altar in the World*, Taylor shows us how to discover altars everywhere we go and in nearly everything we do as we learn to live with purpose, pay attention, slow down, and revere the world we live in. --HarperCollins

Content Notes:

- Introduction -- Practice of waking up to God : Vision -- The practice of paying attention : Reverence -- The practice of wearing skin : Incarnation -- The practice of walking on the earth : Groundedness -- The practice of getting lost : Wilderness -- The practice of encountering others : Community -- The practice of living with purpose : Vocation -- The practice of saying no : Sabbath -- The practice of carrying water : Physical labor -- The practice of feeling pain : Breakthrough -- The practice of being present to God : Prayer -- The practice of pronouncing blessings : Benediction.

CHILDREN
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HAMILTON

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Content Notes:

- To the Leader -- 1. Jesus Calls Peter to Follow Him -- 2. Jesus and Peter Walk on Water -- 3. Peter the Rock -- 4. Peter Denies Knowing Jesus -- 5. Jesus Asks Peter a Question -- 6. Peter Spreads the Good News

YOUTH
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HAMILTON

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