

New Resources February 2017

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ADULTS Andrews, Andy. ***The Noticer Returns : Sometimes You Find Perspective, and Sometimes Perspective Finds You.*** Nashville, Tennessee, W Pub. Group, an imprint of Thomas Nelson, [2013].
170.44
ANDREWS

Summary: Perspective is a powerful thing. Andy Andrews has spent the past five years doing a double take at every white-haired old man he sees, hoping to have just one more conversation with the person to whom he owes his life. Through a chance encounter at a local bookstore, Andy is reunited with the man who changed everything for him – Jones, also known as “The Noticer.” As the story unfolds, Jones uses his unique talent of noticing little things that make a big difference. And these “little things” grant the people of Fairhope, Alabama, a life-changing gift - perspective. Along the way, families will be united, financial opportunities will be created, and readers will be left with powerfully simple solutions to the everyday problems we all face. Through the lens of a parenting class at the Grand Hotel in Point Clear, Alabama, Jones guides a seemingly random group to ask specific questions inspired by his curious advice that “You can’t believe everything you think.” Those questions lead to answers for which people have been searching for centuries: How do we begin to change the culture in which we live? What is the key to creating a life of success and value? What if what we think is the end...is only the beginning? What starts as a story of one person's everyday reality unfolds into the extraordinary principles available to anyone looking to create the life for which they were intended. --Thomas Nelson

ADULTS Andrews, Andy. ***The Noticer : Sometimes, All a Person Needs is a Little Perspective.*** Nashville, Tenn, Thomas Nelson, 2009.
170.44
ANDREWS

Summary: In this blend of fiction, allegory, and inspiration, Andrews tells the story of Jones--a mysterious man who shows up when things look the darkest for the people of Orange Beach, Alabama, and whose unique gift of noticing things that others miss helps us understand why things happen and what we can do about it.

ADULTS Acevedo, Jorge. ***A Grace-Full Life DVD: God's All-Reaching, Soul-Saving, Character-Shaping, Never-Ending Love.*** Nashville, Tenn, Abingdon Press, 2017.
234.1
ACEVEDO

Summary: Grace. It’s a game changer. And when never-ending love comes from God, it sometimes feels like more than you can take. Why does God want to have a personal relationship with me? How can I fully experience and respond to God’s grace? What does “grace” really mean? In *A Grace-Full Life*, you’ll examine a Wesleyan understanding of grace for the common person. You'll learn about various forms of grace—prevenient grace, justifying grace, sanctifying grace, and glorifying grace—and you’ll come away knowing how God’s grace truly works in your life. The book may be used as a stand alone resource or combined with a DVD and Leader Guide for a four-session study. The DVD contains four video segments of 10-12 minutes each, featuring Jorge Acevedo and Wes Olds in their warm and inviting style. All video sessions are closed captioned. --Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- 1. Even There: God's All-Reaching Love (11:25) -- 2. Even Now: God's Soul-Saving Love (13:59) -- 3. Even More: God's Character-Shaping Love (14:16) -- 4. Even When: God's Never-Ending Love (12:20)

ADULTS
234.1
ACEVEDO Acevedo, Jorge. ***A Grace-Full Life Leader Guide: God's All-Reaching, Soul-Saving, Character-Shaping, Never-Ending Love***. Nashville, Tenn, Abingdon Press, 2017.

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Content Notes:

- About the Authors -- Introduction -- Leader Helps -- Four Seasons of Grace -- 1. Even There: God's All-Reaching Love, Prevenient Grace -- 2. Even Now: God's Soul-Saving Love, Justifying Grace -- 3. Even More: God's Character-Shaping Love, Sanctifying Grace -- 4. Even When: God's Never-Ending Love, Glorifying Grace

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Content Notes:

- About the Authors -- Foreword (Ken Carter) -- Introduction -- 1. Even There: God's All-Reaching Love, Prevenient Grace -- 2. Even Now: God's Soul-Saving Love, Justifying Grace -- 3. Even More: God's Character-Shaping Love, Sanctifying Grace -- 4. Even When: God's Never-Ending Love, Glorifying Grace -- Epilogue: Grace Ain't Fair -- Notes

ADULTS
241.4
SKELTON Skelton, Stephen. ***Saint Valentine's Day: How the Life of the Saint Illustrates the Four Loves Found in the Bible***. Nashville, Tenn, The Entertainment Ministry, 2017.

Summary: Skelton recounts the real life of Saint Valentine and how his faithful Christian devotion illustrates each of the four types of love found in the Bible, the love of romance, family, friendship, and God. Each short chapter ends with discussion questions.

Content Notes:

- 1. Saint Valentine -- 2. Saint Valentine's Day -- 3. Eros: The Love of Romance -- 4. Storge: The Love of Family -- 5. Phileo: The Love of Friendship -- 6. Agape: The Love of God

ADULTS
241.676
SNAPP

Snapp, Natalie Chambers. ***Becoming Heart Sisters: A Bible Study on Authentic Friendships***. Nashville, Tenn, Abingdon Press, 2017.

Summary: "Let's get together to catch up!" How many times have you and your women friends made this exchange? And how many times did you follow up? Despite being more connected than ever before, we struggle to feel connected. And yet, our friendships with other women are not only something we want, they're something we, as women, need. In this six-week DVD Bible study, author Natalie Chambers Snapp teaches you how to develop and nurture the kind of enriching and satisfying friendships that build up the body of Christ and bring honor to God. Includes five daily lessons for each week combining study of Scripture with personal reflection, application, and prayer. A Leader Guide, DVD, and a boxed Leader Kit, which contains one of each component, are also available in this refreshing and insightful women's study. The Leader Kit is an all-inclusive box containing one copy of each of the Bible study's components. The kit includes a book, Leader Guide, and a DVD with six 20–25 minute sessions (with closed captioning). --Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- Intro (4:30) -- 1. Why Do We Need Girlfriends and Where Do We Find Them? (16:10) -- 2. Getting Right with God (17:49) -- 3. Clash of the Titans (20:56) -- 4. The Forgiveness Business (18:17) -- 5. Blurred Lines (16:41) -- 6. Heart Sisters Do's and Don'ts (20:38)

ADULTS
242.3
LUCADO

Lucado, Max. ***Because of Bethlehem / He Chose the Nails: Two-Disc Set for Christmas and Easter***. Nashville, Tenn, Thomas Nelson, 2016.

Summary: In *Because of Bethlehem*, a four-session video Bible study, Max Lucado explores how the One who made everything chose to make himself nothing and come into our world. Jesus' birth gives us the promise that God is always near us, always for us, and always within us--and that we no longer need to have marks on our record. In *He Chose the Nails*, a five-session video Bible study, Max continues by examining the gifts that Christ gave at his crucifixion. These include not only the gift of the cross, but also the gift of the thorns, the nails, and the empty tomb. The cross is rich with God's gifts of grace, and as we unwrap them, we will hear him whisper, "I did it just for you." Designed for use with the *Because of Bethlehem Study Guide* and the *He Chose the Nails Study Guide*. --Thomas Nelson

Content Notes:

- *Because of Bethlehem*: 1. God Has a Face (16:00) -- 2. Worship Works Wonders (18:00) -- 3. God Guides the Wise (14:00) -- 4. Every Heart a Manger (17:30) -- *He Chose the Nails*: 1. He Chose to Be One of Us (15:00) -

- 2. He Chose to Forgive Us (16:00) -- 3. He Chose to Invite Us into His Presence (15:00) -- 4. He Chose to Love Us Forever (16:00) -- 5. He Chose to Give Us Victory (18:00)

ADULTS Lucado, Max. ***Because of Bethlehem Study Guide: Love is Born, Hope is Here.*** Nashville, Tenn, Thomas Nelson, 2016.

242.3
LUCADO

Summary: A remarkable gift can arrive in an unremarkable package. One did in Bethlehem more than 2,000 years ago. No one expected God to come the way he did. Yet the way he came was every bit as important as the coming itself. The manger is the message. In this four-session video Bible study, Max Lucado explores how the One who made everything chose to make himself nothing for us. He experienced hunger and thirst. He went through the stages of human development. He was taught to walk, stand, and wash his face. He was completely and genuinely human. Because of Bethlehem, we no longer have marks on our record . . . just grace. We have the promise that God is always near us, always for us, always within us—and that we have a friend and Savior in heaven. Long after the guests have left, the carolers have gone home, and the lights have come down, these promises endure. The *Because of Bethlehem Study Guide* includes video discussion questions, Bible exploration, and personal study and reflection materials for in-between sessions. Designed for use with *Because of Bethlehem: A DVD Study*. The DVD is a two-disc set for Christmas and Easter. --Thomas Nelson

Content Notes:

- How to Use This Guide -- 1. God Has a Face -- 2. Worship Works Wonders -- 3. God Guides the Wise -- 4. Every Heart a Manger -- Notes

ADULTS Lucado, Max. ***He Chose the Nails Study Guide: What God Did to Win Your Heart.*** Nashville, Tenn, Thomas Nelson, 2016.

242.3
LUCADO

Summary: Every gift from God reveals his love, but no gift reveals his love more than the gifts of the cross. These gifts came not wrapped in paper but in passion. They were not placed around a tree but around a cross. They were not covered with ribbons but sprinkled with the blood that Christ shed on our behalf. In this five-session video Bible study, Max Lucado explores the many gifts that Christ provided to us at his crucifixion. These include not only the gift of the cross, but also the gift of the thorns that pierced his brow. The nails that tore his flesh. The seamless robe that he removed for us. The empty tomb where he forever defeated sin and death. The hill of the cross is rich with the gifts of God's grace. These were gifts he didn't have to give. The only required act for our salvation was the shedding of blood, yet God did so much more. So, as we unwrap these gifts, we need to pause and listen for his voice. As we do, perhaps we will hear him whisper, "I did it just for you." The *He Chose the Nails Study Guide* includes video discussion questions, Bible exploration, personal study and reflection materials for in-between sessions, and an additional session for churches and small groups using this study as part of Lent. Designed for use with the *He Chose the Nails DVD*. This is a two-disc set that can be used for Christmas and Easter. --Thomas Nelson

Content Notes:

- How to Use This Guide -- 1. He Chose to Be One of Us -- 2. He Chose to Forgive Us -- 3. He Chose to Invite Us into His Presence -- 4. He Chose to Love Us Forever -- 5. He Chose to Give Us Victory -- Optional Session for Week 6 of Lent: He Chose to Give Us Confidence -- Notes

ADULTS Lucado, Max. ***He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart.***
 242.3 Nashville, Tenn, Thomas Nelson, 2016.
 LUCADO

Summary: Linger on the hill of Calvary. Rub a finger on the timber and press the nail into your hand. Taste the tinge of cheap wine and feel the scrape of a thorn on your brow. Touch the velvet dirt, moist with the blood of God. Allow the tools of torture to tell their story. Listen as they tell you what God did to win your heart. --Thomas Nelson

ADULTS Voskamp, Ann. ***The Broken Way DVD: A Daring Path into the Abundant Life.*** Grand Rapids, Mich, Zondervan, 2016.
 248.86
 VOSKAMP

Summary: In this six-session video Bible Study (guide sold separately), New York Times bestselling author Ann Voskamp takes us on a personal journey along the broken way. The broken way beckons you into more time, more meaning, more authentic relationships. There's a way, especially when things aren't shaping up quite like you imagined, that makes life take the shape of more—more abundance, more intimacy, more God. Ann Voskamp asks the following questions not one of us can afford to ignore: How do you live your one broken life? What does it mean to live cruciform and learn to receive? What do you do if you really want to know abundant wholeness—before it's too late? There's a way of honest, transformative power. Dare to take the broken way—to abundance. Designed for use with The Broken Way Study Guide. --Zondervan

Content Notes:

- 1. How Do We Live This One Broken Life? (20:00) -- 2. Living Cruciform (18:00) -- 3. Learning to Receive (19:00) -- 4. Real Koinonia (20:00) -- 5. Embracing Inconvenience (18:00) -- 6. Who We Serve (19:00)

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Content Notes:

- Read This First -- 1. How Do We Live This One Broken Life? -- 2. Living Cruciform -- 3. Learning to Receive -- 4. Real Koinonia -- 5. Embracing Inconvenience -- 6. Who We Serve

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 248.86 Grand Rapids, Mich, Zondervan, 2016.

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ADULTS Smith, C. Christopher. ***Reading for the Common Good : How Books Help***
253.7 SMITH ***Our Churches and Neighborhoods Flourish***. Downers Grove, Illinois,
IVP Books, an imprint of InterVarsity Press, [2016].

Summary: We have been created to live and work in community. But all too often we see ourselves primarily as individuals and run the risk of working at cross-purposes with the organizations we serve. Living faithfully in a neighborhood involves two interwoven threads: learning and action. In this book C. Christopher Smith, coauthor of *Slow Church*, looks at the local church as an organization in which both learning and action lie at the heart of its identity. He explores the practice of reading and, in his words, "how we can read together in ways that drive us deeper into action." Smith continues, "Church can no longer simply be an experience to be passively consumed; rather, we are called into the participatory life of a community. Reading is a vital practice for helping our churches navigate this shift." Discover how books can help your churches and neighborhoods bring flourishing to the world. --InterVarsity Press

Content Notes:

- The local church as learning organization -- Slow reading in accelerating times -- Shaping the social imagination -- Reading and our congregational identity -- Discerning our call -- Reading with our neighbors -- Deepening our roots in our neighborhoods -- Hope for our interconnected creation -- Toward faithful engagement in economics and politics -- Becoming a reading congregation -- Revive us again.

ADULTS Watson, Kevin M. ***The Class Meeting : Reclaiming a Forgotten (and***
253.7 ***Essential) Small Group Experience***. Wilmore, Kentucky, Seedbed
WATSON Publishing, 2014.

Summary: Dr. Kevin Watson has written a fresh new guide to the theory and practice of the Wesley class meeting, an essential element of truly Wesleyan spirituality. This book is for clergy and congregations who are looking for ways to develop deeper discipleship. The class meeting is made workable without losing its essential dynamic as a gospel-based accountable community. Watson has resurrected the class meeting and given it new meaning, showing its relevance for the church today and how it may be a perfect means for church renewal. --Cokesbury

ADULTS Hunt, Richard. ***Growing Love in Christian Marriage: Couple's Manual***.
Nashville, Tenn, Abingdon Press, 2013.

259.13 HUNT

Summary: This book will help couples learn more about themselves and their future spouse and address potential problem areas before, rather than after, the wedding. This official United Methodist resource includes worksheets to be completed by each person, Scripture references about marriage, and interactive exercises. Ideal for clergy to present to couples to use during pre-wedding counseling sessions. A separate Pastor's Manual includes guidelines for mentoring couples. For use with couples of all ages, whether they are entering their first marriage or remarrying. --Cokesbury

ADULTS Ives, Jane P. ***Growing Love in Christian Marriage: Pastor's Manual.***
259.13 IVES Nashville, Tenn, Abingdon Press, 2013.

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ADULTS Tenbusch, Mike. ***The Jonathan Effect : Helping Kids and Schools Win the***
261.8325 ***Battle Against Poverty.*** Downers Grove, Illinois, IVP Books, an imprint
TENBUSCH of InterVarsity Press, [2016].

Summary: America may be called the "land of opportunity," but countless kids and teens are struggling like young Davids in the urban wilderness, attempting to fight the giant of poverty under insurmountable odds. What could make a difference? The presence of a "Jonathan" in their lives to offer them the life-giving support they need to survive and thrive. The church is the best source of these Jonathans, as they partner with local schools and provide struggling youth with the relational connections that can help them overcome their circumstances. It's a strategy that works, as author Mike Tenbusch demonstrates through his own inspiring story. A Detroit native and longtime advocate for youth education, he brings you into the classrooms of the toughest schools in America so you can see firsthand the hardships of surviving as a child in these settings. And he introduces you to many real-life Jonathans who are making a tangible difference. The need is tremendous. If you have ever wondered how you, your company, or your church can be a part of the solution to the challenge of extreme poverty, this book will inspire you to take action. By coming alongside our nation's most vulnerable young people, you

will help unleash the Jonathan Effect that will turn the tide in the battle against poverty. --
InterVarsity Press

Content Notes:

- Meeting kymoni -- Alone in the wilderness -- Making the commitment -- The Jonathan commitment -- Becoming a dad -- The church awakening -- Graduating -- Starting steps for building church-school partnerships -- Frozen -- How you can change a life -- Fired -- The plan in action -- Making money -- What to watch out for -- Caught -- Pushing through -- Still standing.

ADULTS Dale, Tony. ***The Rabbit & the Elephant : Why Small is the New Big for***
262.26 DALE ***Today's Church***. Carol Stream, Ill, Barna Books/Tyndale House
Publishers, Inc, 2009.

Summary: A thrilling backstage account of how God is restoring divine order in his house, shifting the church from church-as-we-know-it to church-as-God-wants-it. The Rabbit and The Elephant offers keys to twenty-first-century evangelism: leveraging the power of the small--and taking the gospel to where the pain is and where the people are.

Content Notes:

- Introduction -- In the beginning -- God breaks through -- A history lesson -- History brought up-to-date -- Beyond reformation -- A radical (church) life -- The master's voice -- Drenched in prayer -- Images of church -- Simply reproducible -- Marching to the spirit's drumbeat -- The great omission -- Luke 10 principles -- Stories from the harvest -- Telling stories -- Making disciples -- Leadership -- Unity in diversity -- Kingdom finances -- Challenges to the momentum -- Pitfalls to avoid -- No empire building, no control, and no glory -- The art of rabbiteering.

ADULTS Willimon, William H. ***Who Lynched Willie Earle? : Preaching to Confront***
277.30089 ***Racism***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, [2017].
WILLIMON

Summary: How do pastors of white, mainline Protestant churches preach effectively in situations of racial violence and dis-ease? Even though you long to address contemporary social crises, how do you know where to begin when it's simply not possible to relate to black pain? *Who Lynched Willie Earle?* uses the true story of pastor Hawley Lynn's 1947 sermon, a response to the last lynching in Greenville, South Carolina, to help pastors preach on race and violence in America, inviting and challenging the church to respond. --Cokesbury

ADULTS Lyons, Gabe. ***The Next Christians : The Good News About the End of***
277.3083 ***Christian America***. New York, Doubleday Religion, 2010.
LYONS

Summary: Lyons carefully observes the end of Christian America's dominance and offers a compelling vision for how followers of Jesus can recover their core identity while faithfully navigating our current cultural milieu.

Content Notes:

- Fading reality -- New normal -- Parody of ourselves -- Relearning restoration -- Provoked, not offended -- Creators, not critics -- Called, not employed --

Grounded, not distracted -- In community, not alone -- Countercultural, not
"relevant"; -- Next big shift.

ADULTS Douglas, Kelly Brown. ***Stand Your Ground : Black Bodies and the Justice
305.800973 of God.*** Maryknoll, New York, Orbis Books, [2015].
DOUGLAS

Summary: On the Sunday morning after the acquittal of Trayvon Martin's killer, black preachers across America addressed the questions his death raised for their communities: "Where is the justice of God? What are we to hope for?" In this timely and compelling book, Kelly Brown Douglas examines the myths and narratives underlying a "stand-your-ground" culture, taking seriously the social as well as the theological questions raised by this and similar events, from Ferguson, Missouri to Staten Island, New York. But the author also brings another significant interpretative lens to this text: that of a mother. She writes: "There has been no story in the news that has troubled me more than that of Trayvon Martin's slaying. President Obama said that if he had a son his son would look like Trayvon. I do have a son and he does look like Trayvon." In the face of tragedy and indifference, Kelly Brown Douglas arms the truth of a black mother's faith in these times of "stand your ground." --Orbis Books

Content Notes:

- America's exceptionalism -- The Black body: a guilty body -- Manifest destiny war -- Excursus: from Tacitus to Trayvon -- A father's faith: the freedom of God -- Jesus and Trayvon: the justice of God -- Prophetic testimony: the time of God -- A mother's weeping for justice.

ADULTS Andrews, Andy. ***The Final Summit : A Quest to Find the One Principle
813.6 that Will Save Humanity.*** Nashville, [Tenn.], Thomas Nelson, 2010.
ANDREWS

Summary: David Ponder is back—and this time, the fate of mankind may be in his hands. This is humanity's last chance. Centuries of greed, pride, and hate have sent mankind hurtling toward disaster, and far from its original purpose. There is only one solution that can reset the compass and right the ship—and that answer is only two words. With time running out, it is up to David Ponder and a cast of history's best and brightest minds to uncover this solution before it is too late. The catch? They are allowed only five tries to solve the ominous challenge. --Thomas Nelson

ADULTS Bunyan, John. ***The Pilgrim's Progress.*** Orleans, Mass, Paraclete Press,
828.407 1982.
BUNYAN

Summary: For centuries this book had an honored place in thousands of American homes alongside the family Bible, and its story of man's pilgrimage towards the Celestial City found an echo in the experience of millions of Christians. This edition seeks to make its language clear to modern readers without losing the flavor and charm of the original. -
-Back cover

CHILDREN Keffer, Lois. ***All Together Now: 13 Sunday school lessons when you
268.432 have kids of all ages in one room.*** Loveland, Colo, Group, 2013.
KEFFER

Summary: Take your kids of all ages on a personal journey with Jesus! They'll be fascinated by these remarkable lessons on Jesus' last week on earth, his resurrection and ascension, and his followers' miraculous adventures in Acts. Kids will grow closer to God and learn invaluable truths with All Together Now, Volume 3. Whether the children in your combined class are age 4, 12, or anything in between, these 13 interactive lessons for Spring will help kids experience the wonder and adventure of the Bible. They'll learn unforgettable lessons such as: No matter what happens, God's timing is perfect; Praying can help us stand strong; Jesus shows us the right path; and many more. With step-by-step instructions, it's easy to lead your children on a journey through the Gospel of John and Acts. Their lives will never be the same! --Group

Content Notes:

- Introduction -- Active Learning in Combined Classes -- How to Get Started With All Together Now -- Quick-Grab Activities—Plan in a Can -- 1. The Night visitor: Nicodemus Visits Jesus by Night—John 3:1-17; Ezekiel 36:25-27 -- 2. My Father's House: Jesus Clears the Temple—John 2:13-22; Isaiah 56:6-8 -- 3. Jesus Raises Lazarus From Death: Jesus Waits to Go to Bethany—John 11:1-44; Psalm 30:5 -- 4. The Most Important Things: Jesus Teaches His Disciples—John 14–16; Psalm 27:13 -- 5. In the Garden: Jesus Struggles in Prayer—Matthew 26:36-46; Psalm 105:4 -- 6. A King for a Day: Palm Sunday —John 12:12-19; Zechariah 9:9 -- 7. Breaking News: Jesus Has Risen! Easter—Matthew 28:1-10; John 20:3-9, 19-20, 24-28; Isaiah 53:1-11 -- 8. Into a Cloud: Jesus Gives Last Instructions—John 20:19-20; Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 62:5 -- 9. Here Comes the Holy Spirit: Pentecost—Acts 2:1-41; Joel 2:28-32 - - 10. Face-Off With the Sanhedrin: Peter Heals and Preaches— Acts 3:1–4:22; Psalm 118 -- 11. A Strange Meeting: Saul's Conversion—Acts 9:1-19; Ezekiel 36:26-27 -- 12. Saul Over the Wall: Saul's Friends Help Him Escape From Prison—Acts 9:19-25; Psalm 107 -- 13. Safe in a Shipwreck: Paul Is Shipwrecked on Malta—Acts 27:1–28:10; Psalm 65:7

CHILDREN Keffer, Lois. **All-in-One Sunday School**. Loveland, Colo, Group, 2011.
268.432
KEFFER

Summary: Discover 13 fun, Bible-based programs full of creative ideas for classes with kids ages 4 to 12. You'll save time and money--just gather a few common, inexpensive items, photocopy the handouts, and you're ready to teach creative Bible lessons your kids will love. Each lesson comes complete with Active-learning experiences--to catch kids' interest and teach them lessons they'll remember; Interactive Bible stories--to help even the youngest kids grasp the real meaning of Scripture; Life applications--to encourage children to use what they've learned; Take-home handouts--so children can share what they've learned with their families; And more--including tips to help you better understand kids! BONUS: You'll also discover how to help kids of multiple ages work together as a team...learn what to expect from different age groups...and be able to give young children the extra attention they crave while helping older children feel special as they help younger children learn. Use All-in-One Sunday School any time you want to teach meaningful Bible lessons to kids of different ages--in the same class. You'll be ready no matter who shows up! --Group

YOUTH Kacos, Erin. **Worship Feast: Liturgical Dance: 8 Easy-to-Learn Dances**
246.7 **for Worship**. Nashville, Tenn, Abingdon Youth, 2007.
KACOS

Summary: Worship Feast Liturgical Dance is a DVD of instructional choreography for liturgical dance. Dances are choreographed for eight songs including both hymns, worship songs, and contemporary Christian music. Professional choreographers and leaders of youth dance teams, John DeYoung and Erin Kacos bring the dances to life and their step-by-step approach to the dance moves will help any skill-level bring dance into the worship setting. Step-by-step instructions to learn the dances to the following songs: Adore, Agnus Dei, Doxology, How Great Thou Art, Oh Holy Night, Shackles, Thy Word, Wonderful Cross. --Cokesbury