

## New Resources July 2018

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ADULTS      ***Bible Translations Comparison.*** [Peabody, MA], Rose Publishing,  
220.5207      2015.  
ROSE

**Summary:** Some translation committees place a premium on adhering as close as possible to the original languages; others want their English to flow as smoothly as possible. Here are historical backgrounds to, and objective comparisons of, the strengths and weaknesses of the top 20 (e.g., KJV, NIV, ESV, NKJV, NASB, NRSV, RSV, CEB). Windows or Macintosh. --Rose Publishing

ADULTS      Lloyd-Jones, Sally. ***The Story of God's Love for You.*** Grand Rapids,  
220.9505      Michigan, Zondervan, 2015.  
LLOYD-  
JONES

**Summary:** In this trade adaptation of Sally Lloyd-Jones' bestselling Jesus Storybook Bible, readers can explore how God's incredible story centers around his most amazing gift, Jesus. Teens and adults will have their own glimpse of God's amazing, Never Stopping, Never Giving Up, Unbreaking, Always and Forever Love. --Zondervan

ADULTS      Goff, Bob. ***Everybody Always DVD: Becoming Love in a World Full***  
248.4 GOFF      ***of Setbacks and Difficult People.*** [Nashville, TN], Thomas  
Nelson, 2018.

**Summary:** In this five-session video Bible study, bestselling author Bob Goff shares some of the stories from his life that have helped him understand what it truly means to love everybody the way Jesus loved them—without fear, insecurity, or restriction. Following Christ means more than just putting a toe in the water when it comes to loving others. It means grabbing your knees and doing a cannonball! And, as Jesus revealed, it means loving the difficult ones. Everybody, Always will provide practical steps to help you take that journey. Designed for use with the Everybody, Always Study Guide. --Thomas Nelson

**Content Notes:**

- 1. Love People Where You Are (17:00) -- 2. Catch People on the Bounce (17:00) -- 3. Don't Play It Safe (19:00) -- 4. Look at What's in Your Bucket (18:00) -- 5. Love Even the Difficult People (18:00)

ADULTS      Goff, Bob. ***Everybody Always Study Guide: Becoming Love in a***  
248.4 GOFF      ***World Full of Setbacks and Difficult People.*** Nashville,  
Tennessee, Nelson Books, 2018.

**Summary:** In this five-session video Bible study (DVD/downloads sold separately), bestselling author Bob Goff shares some of the stories from his life that have helped him understand what it truly means to love everybody the way Jesus loved them—without fear, insecurity, or restriction. This begins by loving people right

where you are through serving and helping the neighbors God has placed into your world. It means loving people when they mess up and helping them move past the place of shame to acceptance. It continues by being courageous and following where God leads one step at a time—even if you fell you are flying blind. Above all, it means not just agreeing with Jesus but actually stepping out and doing what Jesus said. Following Christ means more than just putting a toe in the water when it comes to loving others. It means grabbing your knees and doing a cannonball! And, as Jesus revealed, it means loving the difficult ones. Everybody, Always will provide practical steps to help you take that journey. The Everybody, Always Study Guide includes video discussion questions, Bible exploration, and personal study and reflection materials for in-between sessions. Designed for use with the Everybody, Always Video Study. --Thomas Nelson

**Content Notes:**

- Introduction -- How to Use This Guide -- 1. Love People Where You Are -- 2. Catch People on the Bounce -- 3. Don't Play It Safe -- 4. Look at What's in Your Bucket -- 5. Love Even the Difficult People -- Leader's Guide

ADULTS  
248.4

Marlow, Chris. ***Doing Good is Simple: [Making a Difference Right Where You Are]***. Grand Rapids, Michigan, Zondervan, 2016.

MARLOW

**Summary:** What if you could become a powerful force for good in the world without moving overseas, burdening your overwhelmed family, or giving up the comforts of modern life? Chris Marlow, founder of the global advocacy organization Help One Now, once felt paralyzed in the face of global problems. They seemed too numerous, too complicated, too big—and after all, how much can one person really do? But a wake-up call in Zimbabwe and a closer study of Scripture soon showed Chris that maybe Christians are overcomplicating how to do act justly in a broken world. Maybe all God is calling us to do is set up a lemonade stand for a good cause. *Doing Good is Simple* is your practical guide to world change wherever you are. Through Chris' own journey of an ordinary person seeking God's good in the world, this book will: Empower you to make a difference where you are; Redefine good according to God's metrics of small, simple things with great love; Bring global concepts down to earth for you to find your place in the area where God is calling you; Disband the top myths we tell ourselves when it comes to world change and why we aren't "enough"; Free you from your first world guilt complex that drags you down; Provide practical, accessible guidelines for getting started today. --Zondervan

**Content Notes:**

- Good grief -- Lemonade with a purpose: how to start small wherever you are -- Ordinary is the new radical: because Jesus doesn't leave justice to the professionals -- Despite your fears: believing you are good enough because God is good -- You've got the goods: the incredible truth that you are already equipped -- People, not projects: the power of relationships in doing good -- Good and plenty: everybody has something to give -- All great things start small: how to stage a

movement -- Better together: how to find a good organization and partner together -- As good as it gets.

ADULTS      Harnish, James A. ***A Disciple's Path Companion Reader: A Guide  
248.4876      for United Methodists.*** Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.  
HARNISH

**Summary:** Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness...this is what we commit to when we become members of The United Methodist Church, and it's a big step. But A Disciple's Path helps us look beyond membership, presenting an engaging approach to discipleship from a distinctly Wesleyan perspective. Discipleship is ongoing, so the 6-week study is perfect for new-member groups, but also works well in small groups of long-time members. It helps you develop spiritual practices, discover your unique gifts, and engage in ministry that brings transformation to your own life and to the lives of others and the world. This Companion Reader provides invaluable insights that enable both participants and leaders to dig deeper into the spiritual practices essential to the life of discipleship. Each chapter corresponds to a week in the Daily Workbook, providing biblical and theological background on the week's theme from a distinctively United Methodist perspective. Perfect for enhancing personal or group study and reflection, answering questions, and providing material for worship planning during a congregation-wide emphasis. --Cokesbury

ADULTS      Harnish, James A. ***A Disciple's Path Daily Workbook: A Guide for  
248.4876      United Methodists.*** Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.  
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ADULTS      Harnish, James A. ***A Disciple's Path DVD: A Guide for United  
248.4876      Methodists.*** [Nashville, TN], Abingdon Press, 2018.  
HARNISH

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who introduce the weekly topics with dynamic and relevant conversation, setting the tone for group discussion. Each video segment is approximately 10–12 minutes in length and combines with the workbook contents to make an ideal six-week group study. All videos sessions are closed captioned. --Cokesbury

**Content Notes:**

- 1. A Disciple's Path Defined (10:27) -- 2. Prayers (10:08) -- 3. Presence (10:26) -- 4. Gifts (10:27) -- 5. Service (10:31) -- 6. Witness (10:00)

ADULTS  
248.4876  
HARNISH

Harnish, James A. ***A Disciple's Path Leader Guide with Download: A Guide for United Methodists***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.

**Summary:** Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness...this is what we commit to when we become members of The United Methodist Church, and it's a big step. But A Disciple's Path helps us look beyond membership, presenting an engaging approach to discipleship from a distinctly Wesleyan perspective. Discipleship is ongoing, so the 6-week study is perfect for new-member groups, but also works well in small groups of long-time members. It helps you develop spiritual practices, discover your unique gifts, and engage in ministry that brings transformation to your own life and to the lives of others and the world. This Leader Guide provides group facilitators with helpful tips for leading a group, material for leading an introductory session or pastor's coffee, and six ready-to-use session guides. Also included is a link to downloadable resources, along with previews of these online tools, including sample e-mails handouts, including customizable templates that can be modified for any congregation, and PowerPoint presentations. --Cokesbury

ADULTS  
248.845  
HOLLADAY

Holladay, Tom. ***Love-Powered Parenting: Loving Your Kids the Way Jesus Loves You***. Grand Rapids, MI, Zondervan, 2011.

**Summary:** Love-Powered Parenting is written out of a love for parenting and a deep desire to encourage parents. Yes, there are experiences in parenting that can cause deep hurt. Yes, there are realities in parenting that certainly will cause you to feel inept. Yet at the core of it all there is a deep gratefulness for the gift that God gives in the opportunity to love a child. This book is a biblical guide to parenting. And by "biblical guide" we mean these pages are intended to take you on a journey through what the truth of God's Word has to say about parenting. The main goal is not to uncover psychological truths about your child—there are many good resources on psychological theory; nor does it include practical tips for everyday circumstances such as how to get your kids to eat their green beans. Here, we will explore the simple and profound principles of God's Word to distinguish psychological truth from error, educational reality from untested theory, and we'll be looking at these tips within the broader context of God's principles for parenting. --Zondervan

ADULTS 253.2  
PROESCHOLD-  
BELL

Proeschold-Bell, Rae Jean. ***Faithful and Fractured: Responding to the Clergy Health Crisis***. Grand Rapids, Michigan, Baker Academic, a division of Baker Publishing Group, 2018.

**Summary:** Clergy suffer from certain health issues at a rate higher than the general population. Why are pastors in such poor health? And what can be done to help them step into the abundant life God desires for them? Although anecdotal observations about poor clergy health abound, concrete data from multiple sources supporting this claim haven't been made accessible--until now. Duke's Clergy Health Initiative (CHI), a major, decade-long research project, provides a true picture of the clergy health crisis over time and shows that improving the health of pastors is possible. Combining the expertise of a health psychology researcher and a leading pastoral theologian, this book brings together the best in social science and medical research, quantifying the poor health of clergy with theological engagement about what can be done about it. Although the study focused on United Methodist ministers, the authors interpret CHI's groundbreaking data for a broad ecumenical readership, explaining that the findings are applicable to all North American clergy. In addition to physical health, the book treads deep into the territory of mental health and spiritual well being, and suggests that increasing the presence of positive mental health may prevent future physical and mental health problems for clergy. The authors weave concrete suggestions tailored to clergy throughout the book. --Baker Academic

**Content Notes:**

- Creatures doing the creator's work -- When work is holy : highs and lows of ministry work -- Slowed down and overwhelmed : clergy and depressive symptoms -- A practical guide to combating stress symptoms -- The pastor's paradox : clergy health and disease -- Feeling alive : the role of positive emotions -- Clergy flourishing : in their own words -- The lord bless you and keep you.

ADULTS 254.4 UMCOM **Crisis Communications: A Reference Guide for United Methodist Communicators.** [Nashville, TN], United Methodist Communications, 2018.

**Summary:** This handbook is a quick reference for handling crises and controversies. It is designed to supplement crisis and media training offered by United Methodist Communications. While the handbook focuses on annual conferences, the information is relevant to any United Methodist organization. -- Introduction

ADULTS 266 RUFFLE **Ruffle, Douglas W. A Missionary Mindset: What Church Leaders Need to Know to Reach Their Community--Lessons from E. Stanley Jones.** Nashville, TN, Discipleship Resources, 2016.

**Summary:** Doug Ruffle writes "A Missionary Mindset" using the timeless principles of E. Stanley Jones and transfers them for use today. Teaching us to approach the mission field as if we were from a different country and learning a new culture, a new way of communicating, and a new way to connect people to the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ. --Cokesbury

YOUTH 259.23 DIAZ **Diaz, April L. Redefining the Role of the Youth Worker: A Manifesto of Integration.** San Diego, The Youth Cartel, LLC, 2013.

**Summary:** This is not a book about youth ministry. Well, it's not entirely about youth ministry. This is a book about the church and her relationship with teenagers. And it's a book about leadership. These pages offer an invitation for anyone who loves teenagers. This is a story, a calling, a vision for the church to be more whole, more cohesive, and longer lasting than the six or seven years that make up most youth ministries. In part, this book is a case study about one church who became captivated by a bigger vision for their teenagers and decided things needed to be different. Quite different. And it's a stake in the ground that things must be different in our churches and cities for the sake of this generation and the ones to come. Birthed in the cauldron of frustration and possibility, youth worker and author April Diaz took a big risk when a staff position opened in youth ministry at her church. She led her church by asking some tough questions: What if we changed this position from a Youth Pastor to Student Integration Pastor? And what if this was more than a job title, but a change in the way our church views its relationship with teenagers? What if we don't just hire a youth ministry Pied Piper to isolate our teenagers, but hire a youth ministry champion who won't let the congregation forget about her responsibility for the spiritual formation of the teenagers in our midst? Equal parts intervention, idealism, memoir and guide, this tiny book packs a punch you'll be thinking about and wrestling with well beyond the final page. --Youth Cartel