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ADULTS 201 Hamilton, Adam. ***Christianity and World Religions DVD: Questions We Ask About Other Faiths.*** [Nashville, TN], Abingdon Press, 2018.

Summary: If there ever was a time when Christians needed to build bridges with others, seeking peace in our world, loving our neighbors, and finding positive ways to share the gospel, it is now. In *Christianity and World Religions, Revised Edition*, Adam Hamilton deals with questions so many of us have about the four major world religions—Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism—and compares the beliefs of each with those of Christianity. In his trademark honest and open writing style, Hamilton helps answer questions such as: Why are there so many different religions? How should we view their beliefs? What is the fate of those who have these beliefs? Although the book is a stand-alone resource, combined with the DVD and Leader Guide, it becomes an especially relevant six-week study for Christians at all stages in their spiritual journey. The DVD includes six new video sessions featuring Adam Hamilton in 10–15 minute presentations. Each session includes Hamilton interviewing religious leaders from each tradition. All video sessions are closed captioned. --Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- 1: The Wise Men (15:32) -- 2: Hinduism (13:45) -- 3: Buddhism (16:27) -- 4: Islam (15:40) -- 5: Judaism (12:47) -- 6: Christianity (16:52)

ADULTS 201 Hamilton, Adam. ***Christianity and World Religions Leader Guide: Questions We Ask About Other Faiths.*** [Nashville, TN], Abingdon Press, 2018.

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Content Notes:

- To the Leader -- 1: The Wise Men -- 2: Hinduism -- 3: Buddhism -- 4: Islam -- 5: Judaism -- 6: Christianity

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HAMILTON

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Content Notes:

- Introduction -- 1: The Wise Men -- 2: Hinduism -- 3: Buddhism -- 4: Islam -- 5: Judaism -- 6: Christianity -- Key Dates Referenced in This Book -- Notes -- For Further Study -- Acknowledgments

ADULTS ***DISCIPLE Fast Track Into the Word, Into the World.*** Nashville,
220.07 Abingdon Press, 2017.
ABINGDON

Summary: Everything you need to plan and lead your Disciple Fast Track group. Includes one each of in a tote: Genesis-Exodus Study Manual, Luke-Acts Study Manual, Leader Guide, DVD, CEB Bible Dictionary, The Abingdon Introduction to the Bible, Access to Online Promotional Materials you can personalize. This 24-week study will immerse you in the books of Genesis and Exodus. Disciple Fast Track Into the Word Into the World is an adaptation of the original, bestselling Disciple Bible Study Into the Word Into the World. The study is ideal for busy people who want to fit an in-depth Bible study into their schedule. The study retains the familiar Disciple format with its theme word, theme verse, statement of the human condition, daily and weekly assignments, and prayer. Into the Word helps readers deepen their understanding of Scripture and make connections between what they already know and what they are reading. Each week you will encounter three spiritual disciplines, learn what they are, and how you can engage those disciplines. The first discipline varies from week to week, then moves into Sabbath and prayer. In every session, you commit to how you will respond to Scripture in terms of ministry in the world. Into the World identifies some needs in the world for which ministry is needed and suggests possible responses, then invites participants to summarize the scripture message that will shape their ministry and to decide what response and commitment to make to that message. Each week you will be guided in experiencing the gift of Sabbath rest and renewal. Classes meet for a total of 24 weeks, studying Genesis-Exodus and Luke-Acts for 12 sessions each. Daily preparation is manageable, with 3–5 chapters of the Bible to read each day. Minimal additional preparation is needed for the leader—just follow the Guide. Weekly sessions last 75 minutes. Four hosts will provide 3–5 minute video insights related to the week's session. Flexible for use with small groups of 8–14, or for large groups of 15–100. --Cokesbury

ADULTS ***DISCIPLE Fast Track Remember Who You Are.*** Nashville, Abingdon
220.07 Press, 2018.
ABINGDON

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ADULTS Hamilton, Adam. ***Enough DVD: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity***
248.6 ***and Generosity.*** [Nashville, TN], Abingdon Press, 2018.
HAMILTON

Summary: Money has great power in our lives and, when used wisely, helps us meet our goals, provide for our needs, and fulfill our life purpose. But in recent years, many of us ignored this when managing and spending our money. We found ourselves spending tomorrow's money today. The result of all of this was not greater happiness but greater stress and anxiety. Enough is an invitation to rediscover the Bible's wisdom on prudent financial practices. Find the keys to experiencing contentment, overcoming fear, and discovering joy through simplicity and generosity. All videos are closed captioned. 4 video sessions: 15–19 mins. each. --Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- 1. When Dreams Become Nightmares (14:08) -- 2. Wisdom and Finance (17:48) -- 3. Cultivating Contentment (18:01) -- 4. Defined by Generosity (18:21)

ADULTS Hamilton, Adam. ***Enough Leader Guide: Discovering Joy Through***
 248.6 ***Simplicity and Generosity***. [Nashville, TN], Abingdon Press,
 HAMILTON 2018.

Summary: Money has great power in our lives. Used wisely, it is one key to accomplishing our goals, providing for our needs, and fulfilling our life purpose. In recent years, many of us ignored the wisdom of the past when it came to managing and spending our money. Credit card debt soared, savings rates plummeted, and our home equity became something to be tapped into and spent rather than a source of security in retirement. We felt an insatiable desire for more. And we found ourselves spending tomorrow's money today in order to have what we hoped would satisfy. The result of all of this was not greater happiness and satisfaction, but greater stress and anxiety. Enough is an invitation to rediscover the Bible's wisdom when it comes to prudent financial practices. In these pages are found the keys to experiencing contentment, overcoming fear, and discovering joy through simplicity and generosity. This book could change your life, by changing your relationship with money. The Leader Guide contains everything needed to guide a group through the four-week study including session plans, activities, and discussion questions, as well as multiple format options.
 --Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- How to Use This Leader Guide -- 1. When Dreams Become Nightmares -- 2. Wisdom and Finance -- 3. Cultivating Contentment -- 4. Defined by Generosity -- 5. Epilogue: Living the Good Life (optional, no video)

ADULTS Hamilton, Adam. ***Enough Stewardship Program Guide with Flash***
 248.6 ***Drive: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity***.
 HAMILTON Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.

Summary: Church leaders are struggling to help their congregations respond to the violent ebb and flow of the economy. While their members are simply trying to stay afloat financially, the budget of their church is suffering as well. In the midst of all of this, though, there is God and a divine calling for each of us. With *Enough Stewardship Program Guide*, Adam Hamilton offers a simple campaign that will transform how the church and individuals view the role of money in connection with their life's purpose and the positive impact that transformation will have on the world. This program, based on *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*, is designed for church-wide and small-group studies and includes: A campaign timeline, Sample communication pieces, Sermon series notes, Artwork for PowerPoint and signage. --Cokesbury

ADULTS Hamilton, Adam. ***Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and***
 248.6 ***Generosity***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.
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Content Notes:

- Introduction: The Courage to Be Free and Bear Fruit -- 1. When Dreams Become Nightmares -- 2. Wisdom and Finance -- 3. Cultivating Contentment -- 4. Defined by Generosity -- Epilogue: Living the Good Life -- Financial Management Assessment Tools -- Notes

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We Pray With Her: Encouragement for All Women Who Lead.
Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.

Summary: As female leaders, our journeys are littered with obstacles and pitfalls unique to our gender. But we do not need to walk through life alone; we need to support and encourage our fellow women as we forge ahead in our work to leave a positive mark on the world. *We Pray with Her* is a collection of 100 inspiring devotionals written by the women who formed the grassroots movement of the same name. Whether you're a woman leader or an aspiring leader looking for personal inspiration, in a supportive role to a leader, or a woman who wants to support her sisters in Christ, you'll find a home within these pages. --Cokesbury

ADULTS 253 Schreiner, Mike. ***Stride Participant Book: Creating a Discipleship Pathway for Your Life.*** Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.
SCHREINER

Summary: This workbook is intended for small group study participants working through *Stride: Creating a Discipleship Pathway for Your Church* (ISBN: 9781501849220), which shows church leaders how to create a discipleship pathway for their own congregation. The process leads to a church full of deeply committed Christians. This workbook focuses on the work individual leaders must do to create their own, individual discipleship pathway in order to support a church-wide effort. Christians are called to be disciples. While some definitions of the word disciple mean learner or student, as followers of Christ, we are called to do more than just learn. We are called to put our learning into action. This small group study focuses on tangible ways each of us, no matter where we find ourselves currently on our Spiritual journey, can intentionally take steps and strides closer to Jesus. The authors developed and launched a highly successful pathway to discipleship in their church (Morning Star United Methodist Church, St. Louis, Missouri). This workbook guides others through the process of creating a successful discipleship pathway for their own particular contexts, based on

principles developed at Morning Star. The Stride Participant Book is organized into nine sessions, with spiritually-rooted content for instruction and study, application exercises, and questions for reflection and discussion. --Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- Introduction -- 1. Discipleship Overview -- 2. Spiritual Discipline of Prayer -- 3. Spiritual Discipline of Scripture -- 4. Spiritual Discipline of Serving -- 5. Spiritual Discipline of Generosity -- 6. Spiritual Discipline of Worship -- 7. Spiritual Discipline of Sabbath -- 8. Spiritual Discipline of Community -- 9. Spiritual Discipline of Witness -- Appendix-Spiritual Discipline of Presence.

ADULTS 254.5 MIOFSKY
 Miofsky, Matt. **8 Virtues of Rapidly Growing Churches**. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.

Summary: It can be hard to keep a positive attitude while planting a church or revitalizing a congregation, especially if you begin by comparing yourself to the 'heroes' of church growth. Authors Matt Miofsky and Jason Byasse studied several highly successful church plants and found these leaders and their congregations share common practices and characteristics. In *Eight Virtues of Rapidly Growing Churches* they present their discoveries and give you the opportunity to learn how you, too, can tap into a sense of hope about the new things you can do to grow your church plant or to rejuvenate your existing congregation. --Cokesbury

ADULTS 261 RUSAW
 Rusaw, Rick. **The Externally Focused Church**. Loveland, Colo, Group Pub, 2004.

Summary: Learn from churches that have made serving their communities a priority--with dramatic results. Your church can be a firm pillar in your community because of the unwavering truth and love of its members. Use case studies from churches that have mastered community service, and apply the action steps to: Attract new believers and reach hurt and skeptical people through service; Use the resources your church already has to impact those in need; Learn how churches have made community service a part of their DNA; Help your members deepen their spiritual commitment through service; Discover practical ways to change your community--starting now. From the minister to the mechanic and the teen to the tenured, your church will expand God's kingdom when it extends his love to the people in your community. --Group

Content Notes:

- What is an externally focused church? -- Becoming externally focused--one church's journey -- The power of service -- Helping people grow -- Nothing happens outside of relationships -- Good news and good deeds -- From mercy to justice -- Casting the vision -- Assessing the needs of your community -- Organizing for usefulness -- The best is yet to come.

ADULTS Law, Eric H. F. ***The Wolf Shall Dwell with the Lamb: A Spirituality***
 261.873 LAW ***for Leadership in a Multicultural Community***. St. Louis, Mo,
 Chalice Press, 1993.

Summary: From the author of the best-selling Holy Currencies series, Eric H. F. Law, this groundbreaking work explores how certain cultures consciously and unconsciously dominate in multicultural situations and what can be done about it.
 --Chalice Press

ADULTS Carter, Kenneth H. ***Embracing the Wideness: The Shared***
 287.6 ***Convictions of The United Methodist Church***. Nashville,
 CARTER Abingdon Press, 2018.

Summary: Embracing the Wideness contrasts a generous orthodoxy with the culture wars that seek to drive a wedge between Christians with deep faith convictions. A generous orthodoxy is possible for The United Methodist Church because scripture supports both a confessing movement and a reconciling movement. In addition to our divergent understandings of holiness in The United Methodist Church, we apparently have two distinct conceptions of church. These two conceptions of church present in American Methodism grew from seeds planted in the earliest practice of British Methodism: 1. A separatist church, which views holiness as a calling that separates us from the world—"come out from among them and be separated" (2 Corinthians 6:17). Here holiness is a quality that distinguishes Christians from the world. 2. An activist church, which understands holiness as a movement for change in an unjust world. The boundaries between church and society are blurred, with the "wheat and tares" growing together (Matthew 13) until God's final judgment. At times, a denomination is able to hold these two conceptions of church in tension. And at times, as in recent experiences of American Christianity, there is fragmentation and division. The division may finally be the result of clearly articulated values that are not compatible. And the division may also be the result of how leaders do harm to each other. What great things could be accomplished if we rediscovered orthodoxy in service of the healing, instead of dividing, of our bodies—our churches! Such a generous orthodoxy would help us not to become immersed in the emotional processes that pit people against each other. Such a generous orthodoxy would keep us from becoming stuck in cycles of harmful collusion and escalating conflict. Such a generous orthodoxy would know that the source of our capacity to be healed of our schisms is a miracle beyond our human power or goodness or intelligence. --Abingdon Press

ADULTS Gopo, Patrice. ***All the Colors We Will See: Reflections on Barriers,***
 302.0973 ***Brokenness, and Finding Our Way***. Nashville, W. Publishing
 GOPO Group, 2018.

Summary: Patrice Gopo grew up in Anchorage, Alaska, the child of Jamaican immigrants who had little experience being black in America. From her white Sunday school classes as a child, to her early days of marriage in South Africa, to a new home in the American South with a husband from another land, Patrice's life is a testament to the challenges and beauty of the world we each live in, a world in which cultures overlap every day. In *All the Colors We Will See*, Patrice seamlessly moves across borders of space and time to create vivid portraits of how the reality of being different affects her quest to belong. In this poetic and

often courageous collection of essays, Patrice examines the complexities of identity in our turbulent yet hopeful time of intersecting heritages. As she digs beneath the layers of immigration questions and race relations, Patrice also turns her voice to themes such as marriage and divorce, the societal beauty standards we hold, and the intricacies of living out our faith. With an eloquence born of pain and longing, Patrice's reflections guide us as we consider our own journeys toward belonging, challenging us to wonder if the very differences dividing us might bring us together after all. --Thomas Nelson

CHILDREN Reyna, Mónica. ***Luis Y Mia / Mia and Luis***. Nashville, TN, Abingdon Press, 2018.

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REYNA

Summary: Luis y Mia/Mia and Luis is a flip-over book that tells the story of a cross-cultural friendship from each child's perspective. Luis is the child of Mexican immigrants and Mia is a White American child. Their story begins when Mia makes a culturally insensitive remark to Luis. Prayer and thoughtful conversations with family help Luis and Mia move past this rocky start and develop a lasting friendship. Mia's story explores important issues such as what makes someone American, biblical perspectives on immigrants, and how to make amends. Luis's story explores issues such as cultural pride, challenges faced by immigrants, and forgiveness. Luis y Mia/Mia and Luis will help children ages 6-9 understand the importance of showing love to people who are different, apologizing when you're wrong, forgiving one another, and making everyone feel welcome. Both stories are in English and Spanish. --Cokesbury

YOUTH ***Affirm DVD: God's Call / The World's Need / Your Purpose***.
234.23 [Nashville, TN], Abingdon Press, 2018.

ABINGDON

Summary: While teenagers may have a basic understanding of what it means to be Christian, they still need help developing, deepening, and strengthening their faith. Affirm was written with that challenge in mind. This six-week discipleship resource provides a flipped classroom experience, enabling teens to articulate what they believe and why, helping them see how faith can be practiced in their everyday lives. Youth leaders will find everything they need to guide their teens through a transition in their faith journey, including tools to help enlist the support of parents and the entire church family. In addition to the Student Guide, a Leader Guide, Mentor Guide, Parent Guide, and a DVD are also available for use as a group series, a small group study, or for a weekend retreat. Too often, our conversations about faith are only surface deep. Engage your teens with the Affirm DVD and dive below the service using these creative animated videos that are both inspiring and thought-provoking. Each of the 6 videos corresponds to one of the Affirm lessons and helps teens encounter the often complicated nature of faith. In addition, these videos will help teens connect the more abstract parts of faith to their everyday life. --Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- 1. The Faith Journey (1:51) -- 2. The Faith Given to You (1:39) -- 3. Life in Christ (1:52) -- 4. Know What You Believe (1:43) -- 5. Know Why You Believe (1:51) -- 6. Hearing God Speak (1:41)

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Affirm Leader Guide: God's Call / The World's Need / Your Purpose. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.

ABINGDON

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--Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- About Affirm -- Affirm Resource Kit -- 1. The Faith Journey -- 2. The Faith Given to You -- 3. Life in Christ -- 4. Know What You Believe -- 5. Know Why You Believe -- 6. Hearing God Speak

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Affirm Mentor Guide: God's Call / The World's Need / Your Purpose. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.

ABINGDON

Summary: While teenagers may have a basic understanding of what it means to be Christian, they still need help developing, deepening, and strengthening their faith. Affirm was written with that challenge in mind. This six-week discipleship resource provides a flipped classroom experience, enabling teens to articulate what they believe and why, helping them see how faith can be practiced in their everyday lives. Youth leaders will find everything they need to guide their teens through a transition in their faith journey, including tools to help enlist the support of parents and the entire church family. In addition to the Student Guide, a Leader Guide, Mentor Guide, Parent Guide, and a DVD are also available for use as a group series, a small group study, or for a weekend retreat. With the Affirm Mentor Guide, you will be equipped to be a trusted guide that helps students along their spiritual path. Being a disciple of Jesus can be incredible, but it can also be challenging. None of us can do it alone and we all need mentors along the way.
--Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- Introduction -- The Role of the Mentor -- Mentoring Safely -- The Nitty-Gritty of Mentoring -- Mentoring Lessons -- Mentoring Lesson 1. The

Faith Journey -- Mentoring Lesson 2. The Faith Given to You -- Mentoring Lesson 3. Life in Christ -- Mentoring Lesson 4. Know What You Believe -- Mentoring Lesson 5. Know Why You Believe -- Mentoring Lesson 6. Hearing God Speak -- Life After Affirm

YOUTH ***Affirm Parent Guide: God's Call / The World's Need / Your Purpose.*** Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.
234.23
ABINGDON

Summary: While teenagers may have a basic understanding of what it means to be Christian, they still need help developing, deepening, and strengthening their faith. Affirm was written with that challenge in mind. This six-week discipleship resource provides a flipped classroom experience, enabling teens to articulate what they believe and why, helping them see how faith can be practiced in their everyday lives. Youth leaders will find everything they need to guide their teens through a transition in their faith journey, including tools to help enlist the support of parents and the entire church family. In addition to the Student Guide, a Leader Guide, Mentor Guide, Parent Guide, and a DVD are also available for use as a group series, a small group study, or for a weekend retreat. Affirm recognizes the difficulties and anxieties that emerge from raising a young person to be faithful. In response, the Affirm Parent Guide provides parents with the tools to be companions to their teens on this journey. As a parent, you'll be invited to reflect on your own faith, so that you can help them as they learn about their own. The Affirm Parent Guide is full of helpful tips and activities to use as you both strive to grow in your faith and deepen your relationship with Christ. --Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- Introduction -- 1. The Faith Journey -- 2. The Faith Given to You -- 3. Life in Christ -- 4. Know What You Believe -- 5. Know Why You Believe -- 6. Hearing God Speak

YOUTH ***Affirm Student Guide: God's Call / The World's Need / Your Purpose.*** Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.
234.23
ABINGDON

Summary: While teenagers may have a basic understanding of what it means to be Christian, they still need help developing, deepening, and strengthening their faith. Affirm was written with that challenge in mind. This six-week discipleship resource provides a flipped classroom experience, enabling teens to articulate what they believe and why, helping them see how faith can be practiced in their everyday lives. Youth leaders will find everything they need to guide their teens through a transition in their faith journey, including tools to help enlist the support of parents and the entire church family. In addition to the Student Guide, a Leader Guide, Mentor Guide, Parent Guide, and a DVD are also available for use as a group series, a small group study, or for a weekend retreat. The Affirm Student Guide is a devotional resource designed to support the ownership of your teen's faith journey. We know teens are social. The devotional material is woven into the rest of the student material so their growth gets worked out with their peers, and is shareable. This connection with their small group will lead to better faith/life integration. --Cokesbury

Content Notes:

- Welcome -- 1. The Faith Journey -- 2. The Faith Given to You -- 3. Life in Christ -- 4. Know What You Believe -- 5. Know Why You Believe -- 6. Hearing God Speak

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WILLIMON

Willimon, William H. ***Making Disciples Confirmand's Journal: [Confirmation Through Mentoring]***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.

Summary: Making Disciples is a 13-session mentor-based confirmation program that pairs confirmands with adult mentors and guides them through a variety of learning experiences that will strengthen the student's understanding of the faith while connecting him or her with the community of believers in a personal way. It can be used as a stand-alone program, or in conjunction with your current curriculum as a special experiential unit. This is a confirmation program that is more like a process and less like a reading assignment, more engaging and congruent with the nature of the Christian faith than existing programs. Using an "apprenticeship" approach to confirmation Will Willimon produced a series of learning experiences where adult mentors and confirmands are both teachers and learners at the same time. This time-tested approach has been extensively revised and updated for usage in today's churches that take seriously Christ's command to be engaged in disciple making. The Confirmand's Journal is a place where an individual can write down highlights, memories, and details of their confirmation journey. This journal is a guided journal. Which means the confirmand will be given directions on things to do, and questions to reflect on, which will help them get started in their writing. Topics explore the basics of Christian faith: God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, worship, the Bible, gifts, ministry, baptism, spiritual life, death and resurrection, the church. --Cokesbury

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WILLIMON

Willimon, William H. ***Making Disciples Coordinator's Guide: [Confirmation Through Mentoring]***. Nashville, Abingdon Press, 2018.

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the Holy Spirit, worship, the Bible, gifts, ministry, baptism, spiritual life, death and resurrection, the church. --Cokesbury

YOUTH Willimon, William H. ***Making Disciples Mentor's Guide:
268.43 [Confirmation Through Mentoring]***. Nashville, Abingdon Press,
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