

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS BY CATEGORY DOUGLAS JACOBY, 11 AUGUST 2018

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Basic Christianity, by John R. W. Stott

The Killer Within: An African Look at Disease, Sin and Keeping Yourself Saved, by Mike Taliaferro. To be reprinted by 2017.

The Lion Never Sleeps: Preparing Those You Love for Satan's Attacks, by Mike Taliaferro

A Quick Overview of the Bible: How All the Pieces Fit Together, by Douglas Jacoby

For all disciples

Caring Beyond the Margins: What Every Christian Needs to Know About Homosexuality, by Guy Hammond

The Disciplined Life: The Mark of Christian Maturity, by Richard S. Taylor

Getting the Most from the Bible: A Guide to In-Depth Study, by G. Steve Kinnard

How to Read a Book: The Classic Guide to Intelligent Reading, by Mortimer J. Adler and Charles Van Dorn

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Repentance: A Cosmic Shift of Mind and Heart, by Edward J. Anton. To be reprinted by 2017.

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Set Apart: Calling a Worldly Church to a Godly Life, by R. Kent Hughes

Till the Nets Are Full: An Evangelism Handbook, by Douglas Jacoby

Spiritual Leadership: A Commitment to Excellence for Every Believer, by J. Oswald Sanders

Strong in the Grace: Reclaiming the Heart of the Gospel, by Thomas A. Jones

Will the Real Heretics Please Stand Up: A New Look at Today's Evangelical Church in the Light of Early Christianity, by David W. Bercot

Your Bible Questions Answered, by Douglas Jacoby

For mature believers

Compelling Evidence, by Douglas Jacoby

The Imitation of Christ, by Thomas à Kempis

The Pilgrim's Progress, by John Bunyan

Serious Call to a Devout and Holy Life, by William Law

High school students

Getting Into College, by Rachel Korn and Jennifer Y. Kabat, eds.

Making the Most of College: Students Speak Their Minds, by Richard J. Light
Preparing for College: Practical Advice for Students and their Families, by John F. Reardon
The Six Most Important Decisions You'll Ever Make: A Guide for Teens, by Sean Covey

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Boundaries: When to Say Yes, How to Say No, to Take Control of your Life, by Henry Cloud and John Townsend
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Dynamic Leadership: Principles, Roles, and Relationships for a Life-Changing Church, by Gordon Ferguson
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Golden Rule Leadership, by Gordon Ferguson and Wyndham Shaw
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