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In God's School (A L' Ecole de Dieu) is foundational Christian instruction. It follows the outline of John Calvin's Geneva Catechism along with the Heidelberg Catechism. According to the ancient practice of the church, In God's School instructs in doctrine, expounding the Apostles' Creed. It enriches common evangelical treatments of these subjects by including fine sections on the church and the ministry of Word and sacraments as means of grace. It lays out basic Christian ethics by expounding the Ten Commandments. It teaches Christian worship by explaining the Lord's Prayer. This book may be used over the course of a school year. Students read a chapter each week. It also familiarizes students with the fine catechetical materials of the Protestant Reformation. Each chapter is divided into daily readings that include Scripture, so the student receives doctrinal teaching along with daily Bible study. Perhaps the greatest strength of In God's School is the presentation of the Commandments and Prayer. John Calvin's stress on the grace of God shines through ethical exhortation. Maturity in Christ comes from a growing knowledge of God through the gospel of his Son, a clearer understanding of the life he calls us to walk before him, and the Spirit's love and strength. With spiritual wisdom and rigor, Pierre Marcel leads us in knowing God.

Foundations for a Faithful Faith Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

For those who yearn for a deeper walk of faith, their journey can begin here. Dr. R. C. Sproul takes theology down from the dusty shelves of theological libraries and expounds in clear and simple terms more than one hundred major Christian doctrines. He offers readers an essential understanding of the Christian faith that will kindle a lifelong love for truth, which is foundational to maturity in Christ. Here are theologically sound explanations of the biblical concepts every Christian should know, written in a way that we all can understand. Sproul's homespun analogies and illustrations from everyday life make this book interesting, informative, and easy to read.

God's Big Picture ReadHowYouWant.com

The Study Companion is a valuable additional resource for introductory courses in church history that use Tim Dowley's popular Introduction to the History of Christianity. Packed with the essential primary readings for introductory courses in the history of Christianity, the Study Companion also provides biographical information, thematic explorations of historical themes that are important today, as well as a host of other pedagogical tools that will enrich the students' experience.

*Christ* Brown Chair Books

The challenges that Western culture keeps posing to the Christian faith are ever new. The goal-posts keep changing. This study guide will equip theology students to understand the culture-shaping beliefs that are driving the kinds of questions it brings to faith. It will be an historical overview of the key stages in the history of Western philosophy with each section carefully tracing the genealogical line of ideas and the Christian responses to them, right up to the present day. For most theology students, learning abstract philosophical concepts involves literally learning a new language, a

language that the initiated converse in with ease but which leaves the uninitiated baffled. Thus, each chapter in this study guide opens with a glossary of terms. Throughout the studyguide students are encouraged to reflect on the ways in which what has been learned might be applied in both explicitly theological and wider cultural contexts - for example, they might be asked to think of a film or book that seems to express elements of existentialism or postmodernism, or to describe how something very like the extreme subjectivity of idealism can sometimes show itself in Sunday morning worship.

*Tracing the Storyline of the Bible* Bloomsbury Publishing

John Stott authors Bible studies from the Gospels on the nature of Christ. The studies include excerpts from his book *The Incomparable Christ*.

**Mere Christianity** IVP Connect

Leadership today is no easy task. Too often our models of leadership are shaped more by culture than by Christ. John Stott rejects popular models of leadership and holds up instead the servant leadership exemplified by Paul in his ministry to the church in Corinth. Stott reassures us that God is at work even in the midst of human weakness.

*The R.C. Sproul Collection Volume 2: Essential Truths of the Christian Faith / Now, That's a Good Question!* Zondervan Academic

Originally published in 1938, *An Introduction to the Study of Christianity* is a consideration of what is truly essential in the Christian faith. The book provides a detailed survey of key elements relating to the origin and growth of Christianity, and puts forward the argument that any apparent blemishes or mistakes are the result of human imperfection and misunderstanding of the real teaching of Jesus and his immediate followers, rather than of any shortcomings in the teaching itself. It first sets out the foundations of Christianity and then calls attention to the different interpretations that successive generations of Christians have placed on them. Exploring the history of the Christian faith up to the 1930s, *An Introduction to the Study of Christianity* will appeal to those with an interest in the history of religion, Christianity, theology, and religious studies.

**A Bible Study on the C.S. Lewis Book Mere Christianity** Crossway

In this guide Margaret Aymer introduces the letter of James, countering arguments that it is of limited theological value and significance for early Christianity. Aymer focuses on James' theology of God's divine singularity and immutability, and of God's relationship to the community as father and benefactor. These are theological foundations for its emphasis on community actions of belief, humility and mutual care. Aymer introduces and examines the letter's stand against empire, not least in regard to wealth. Divine power is envisioned as an alternative power to that of the Romans, though in some respects it can seem equally brutal. Aymer concludes by focusing on those addressed by James's homily, the exiles in diaspora. Engaging the psychology of migration, she unpacks the migrant strategy underlying James's call to living 'unstained'. Finally, Aymer encourages student to ask what it might mean now for twenty-first-century people to take seriously a separatist migrant discourse not only as an interesting ancient writing but as a scripture, a lens through which its readers can glimpse the possibilities for how lives are to be lived, and how contemporary worlds

can be interpreted and engaged?

**Essential Truths of the Christian Faith** Zondervan

What are the essentials to the Christian faith? How can you know and find God's will? What doctrines comprise the foundation to a Christian life? What should church leadership look like? What experiences mark a healthy Christian? These questions and more are answered in this book. If you are looking for one book that can cover the whole Christian life then this book is for you as you seek to Love a faithful faith that honors God while learning to experience his goodness daily.

**Mere Christianity Study Guide** InterVarsity Press

In today's uncertain world, storms will arise that test your faith in a loving heavenly Father. At times, the winds and waves of the world's deceptions will roll in and seek to erode your confidence in God. Without a firm foundation in the truth of God's Word, you may be tempted to go off course and accept less than God's best for you. However, when you hear Jesus' words, receive them, and put them into practice, you will construct a life the torrents cannot shake, "because it was well built" (Luke 6:48). The Purple Book will help you understand foundational truths that God wants you to hear on topics such as sin, salvation, spiritual gifts, prayer, worship, generosity, and evangelism. It will show you how the Bible is "God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16). It will help you understand that the faith you hold has true power to change lives and transform nations. It will give you a solid foundation the enemy cannot dismantle—and a heart shaped by knowledge of God's Word.

The Church as Worshiping Community BibleTalk.tv

Sixty-six books written by forty people over nearly 2,000 years, in two languages and several different genres. The Bible is clearly no ordinary book. How can you begin to read and understand it as a whole? This excellent overview gives you the big picture, providing both the encouragement and the tools you need to read the Bible with confidence and understanding.

*An Introduction to the Study of Christianity* Fortress Press

How can you know God's love? How can you trust Jesus? These six studies, based on John Stott's bestselling book *Basic Christianity*, explore who Christ is and what he has done for us. Each session includes quotations from the book matched with Scripture passages, study questions, and application ideas that draw readers to discover the person of Christ in new ways.

**Basic Christianity Bible Study** Wipf and Stock Publishers

John MacArthur has an answer for those finding the Christian life too complicated, their zeal diminished, their relationship with Jesus grown cold and predictable. Awardwinning author and respected pastor - teacher, John MacArthur reminds us in *A Simple Christianity* that what's been lost can be found - and tells us how! This practical tool can h...

The Absolute Basics of the Christian Faith Rose Publishing Inc

The book of Acts opens with the dramatic story of tongues of flame descending upon believers at Pentecost and the prophecy of an egalitarian dispensation of the Spirit being fulfilled. Yet, as the narrative unfolds, we become aware of a tension between the socially egalitarian promise of the Pentecost story and the author's underlying concern to provide reassurance for his elite patron Theophilus that Jesus followers do not disturb the existing social order. In this guide, Acts is read as a struggle to tame the tongues of fire. Acts mutes the egalitarian promise of the Spirit through

presenting an 'orderly account' (as its author calls it) of the Jesus movement that appeals to elite sensibilities. And, at the same time, the narrative contains contradictions, gaps and fissures that suggest the outlines of a more complex, and even subversive, religious movement.

*Taming the Tongues of Fire* Zondervan

World-renowned scholar and preacher John R.W. Stott embarks on a compelling course of study that first defends the fundamental claims of Christianity and then defines the proper overworkings of these basic beliefs in the daily lives of believers. Here is a sound, sensible guide for those who are seeking an intellectually satisfying presentation of the Christian faith.

*Beginning a Relationship with Jesus* InterVarsity Press

This hugely popular international bestseller is being repackaged and rebranded as the leading title in the C.S. Lewis Signature Classics range. One of the most popular and beloved introductions to the concept of faith ever written, *Mere Christianity* has sold millions of copies worldwide. The timeless questions of spirituality which Lewis raises will have resonance with a new generation of readers. *Mere Christianity* brings together Lewis's legendary broadcast talks of the war years, talks in which he set out simply to 'explain and defend the belief that has been common to nearly all Christians at all times.' Rejecting the boundaries that divide Christianity's many denominations, C.S. Lewis provides an unequalled opportunity for believers and nonbelievers alike to hear a powerful, rational case for the Christian faith. This scintillating collection confirms C.S. Lewis's reputation as one of the leading writers and thinkers of our age.

Christian History Made Easy Participant Guide InterVarsity Press

This 7 chapter book explains basic topics such as belief in God; the history and writing of the Bible; the person of Jesus; the nature of salvation and more. All presented in an easy to understand approach suitable for those less familiar with the Bible or the Christian religion. #1 Belief in God - This first chapter in the series reviews the reasons why Christians believe in a Supreme Being. This idea is looked at from both a philosophical and theological perspective. #2 The Christian Religion - In this lesson we will examine the Christian religion and see how it compares to the other major religions in the world. #3 The Bible - This lesson examines the history of Bible authorship, how the Bible was organized into its present form, and some key reasons why Christians believe that it is inspired by God. #4 Jesus Christ - The Christian faith is based on the person of Jesus Christ. In this lesson we will look closely at this person in order to more clearly define His true nature and character. #5 Salvation - This lesson lays out the simple yet powerful plan that God has initiated to save mankind from eternal condemnation due to personal sin and how Jesus Christ fits in to this plan of salvation. #6 The Church - The church is the physical presence of Jesus Christ in the world today. In this lesson we will examine the New Testament in order to determine what the inspired text says the church should be like and how it should function. #7 The Christian Lifestyle - A final lesson describing the new motivation and lifestyle that God has designed for those who are followers of Jesus Christ. ----- BibleTalk.tv -----

**Helping You to Grow in the Word of God and Spiritually** InterVarsity Press

What Do All Christians Believe? For many people, words like doctrine and theology cause their eyes to glaze over, or they find them difficult to understand and struggle to see how they are relevant to daily life. But theology is far from boring—it is the study of God and should lead to awe and wonder

as we better understand who God is and what he has done for us. In *Core Christianity*, author, pastor, and theologian Mike Horton tackles the essential and basic beliefs that all Christians share. What is “core” to the Christian faith? In addition to unpacking these beliefs in a way that is easy to understand, Horton shows why they matter to our lives today. This introduction to the basic doctrines of Christianity is a helpful guide by a respected theologian and a popular author, and it includes discussion questions for individual or group use. *Core Christianity* is perfect for those who are new to the faith, as well as those who have an interest in deepening in their understanding of what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ.

*The Purple Book, Updated Edition* Evening Publications

This book is designed for those who want to know about Jesus and what it means to be a Christian. This book is created to introduce (or reintroduce) Jesus to new and seasoned Christians. It is set up like a study guide for a one on one or group bible study. I cover what it means to be a Christian from a biblical point of view (bringing us back to the simple gospel). It is for new believers who don't know where to start and for those who don't know where to go next. The topics covered in this book include the meaning of salvation, spiritual growth, the importance of the holy spirit, studying scripture, the importance of the church body, baptism, communion, and the call to go out and serve others. We are all called to go out and tell people about Jesus (Mark 15:16 & Eph. 5:1) and this book can be very helpful in preparing each one of us for this call as well. I wouldn't call myself

the author, but instead this book could be more accurately described as a compilation of scripture. I open up and reveal the simple truth. I don't make it complicated as it is not supposed to be. Just get to know (and make known) Jesus with everything you've got!

[Essential Christianity](#) Basic Christianity Bible Study

The *Knowing the Bible* series is a new resource designed to help Bible readers better understand and apply God's Word. Each 12-week study leads participants through one book of the Bible and is made up of four basic components: (1) Reflection questions designed to help readers engage the text at a deeper level; (2) “Gospel Glimpses” highlighting the gospel of grace throughout the book; (3) “Whole-Bible Connections” showing how any given passage connects to the Bible's overarching story of redemption culminating in Christ; and (4) “Theological Soundings” identifying how historic orthodox doctrines are taught or reinforced throughout Scripture. With contributions from a wide array of influential pastors and church leaders, these gospel-centered studies will help Christians see and cherish the message of God's grace on each and every page of the Bible. The book of Romans was Paul's greatest literary achievement, a majestic letter in which the apostle expounds on crucial doctrines such as original sin, election, substitutionary atonement, the role of the law, and justification by faith alone. Plumbing the theological depths, Jared Wilson writes with a pastor's eye toward understanding and application as he explains the biblical text with clarity and passion, helping readers follow along as Paul recounts the history of salvation and illuminates the glories of the cross of Christ.

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