
New Resources for Fall 2009

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	<i>Bible Study: O.T.</i>						
	PSALMS FOR TODAY						7566
				Tanner, Beth LaNeel	Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK
	This new addition to the popular For Today series deals with important themes in the book of Psalms and provocatively explores the many ways these psalms continue to speak to believers today. The book is ideal for personal and group study, with questions for discussion at the end of each chapter.						
	<i>Children: Non-Bible Stories</i>						
	PRAYING IN COLOR: KIDS' EDITION						7574
	THE TEACHING DVD						
				MacBeth, Sybil	Paraclete Press, Inc., 2008		DVD
	Imagine a group of kids on the floor of a gym, or filling a classroom, or on a weekend retreat, praying in a whole new way--so silently that you can hear a pin drop! It happens everyday with Praying in Color. And now, there's Praying in Color Kid's Edition and Praying in Color: Kid's Edition DVD - a visual tool that guides you, the leader, step by step, in creating a simple workshop.						
	PRAYING IN COLOR: KIDS' EDITION						7573
				MacBeth, Sybil	Paraclete Press, Inc., 2008		BOOK
	Now kids can pray in color, too! This first-of-its-kind resource will forever change the way kids pray - and how adults try to teach them to do it. This is prayer that makes sense to kids. One minute a day will do. Any time of the day will work. Drawing with markers or crayons is half the prayer; the other half is carrying the visual memories throughout the day.						
	<i>Comparative Religion</i>						
	GOD AND THE NEW ATHEISM: A CRITICAL RESPONSE TO						7557
	DAWKINS, HARRIS, AND HITCHENS						
				Haight, John F.	Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK
	Copy 2.						
	SYNAGOGUES IN A TIME OF CHANGE						7536
				Heller, Zachary I., ed.	The Alban Institute, 2009		BOOK
	The issues faced by Judaism in America are not unique to Jewish religious movements. Many of the issues facing synagogues will be familiar to those of all faiths. Each writer brings unique expertise and perspective in describing the development of contemporary religious movements (denominations) in American Judaism, their interrelationships and tensions, and their prospects for the future. Religious groups of all kinds will find reflections of common struggles that can provide a vehicle for constructive conversations about their own pressing issues.						

Evangelism/Church Growth

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	NOOMA: CORNER						7544
	Bell, Rob			Zondervan, 2009		DVD	Can success separate us from those who could use our help? Can it create a wall between those with and those without? Maybe we are only really successful when we can actually see who could use our help. And maybe when we give to those we see, we are reminded of what we have been given.
	NOOMA: TOMATO						7543
	Bell, Rob			Zondervan, 2008		DVD	Most of us grew up believing that our worth, our value, our acceptance comes from how good we are. How smart, how competent, how fast and better and skilled. But Jesus invites us to die to all of that so that we can really live.
	NOOMA: WHIRLWIND						7545
	Bell, Rob			Zondervan, 2009		DVD	There aren't nice, neat answers for why certain things happen to certain people. Often the perspective of a friend can help, but when there is nothing more to say, where do we turn? Maybe it's when there is nothing more to say that God finally speaks. Jesus lived with the awareness that God is doing something, right here, right now, and anybody can be a part of it.
	PLACES OF PROMISE: FINDING STRENGTH IN YOUR CONGREGATION'S LOCATION						7562
	Woolever, Cynthia and Deborah Bruce			Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK	Copy 2.
	SUBURBAN CHURCH, THE PRACTICAL ADVICE FOR AUTHENTIC MINISTRY						7567
	DeKruyter, Arthur H.			Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK	Copy 2.
	UNEXPECTED ADVENTURE						7542
	Strobel, Lee & Mark Mittelberg			Zondervan, 2009		BOOK	When we seize opportunities to talk with others about Jesus, days that start out dull and tedious can quickly blossom into exciting escapades. Written for today's multigenerational, multicultural world, The Unexpected Adventure helps readers take easy steps into a natural evangelistic lifestyle that will energize their own faith while making an eternal difference in the lives of people they encounter. Authors Lee Strobel and Mark Mittelberg use compelling and humorous stories from their own lives in a devotional-style book that paints an irresistible picture of what personal evangelism can be—the fulfilling adventure of a lifetime!

Faith Development

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	40 DAYS LIVING THE JESUS CREED						7570
	McKnight, Scot			Paraclete Press, Inc., 2008			BOOK
	<p>"Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. And...love your neighbor as yourself." Scot McKnight has come to call this vital teaching of our Lord the Jesus Creed. He recites it throughout the day every day and challenges you to do the same. You may find that, if you do, you will learn to love God more creatively and passionately, and find new ways to love those around you.</p>						
	FAITH UNDER FIRE 1: FAITH & JESUS						7549
	PARTICIPANT'S BOOK						
	Strobel, Lee & Garry Poole			Zondervan, 2006			BOOK
	<p>Partipant's Book to four-session DVD small group curriculum based on Lee Strobel's popular PAX-TV program; for small group discussion.</p>						
	FAITH UNDER FIRE 1: FAITH & JESUS						7548
	Strobel, Lee & Garry Poole			Zondervan, 2006			DVD
	<p>Four-session DVD small group curriculum based on Lee Strobel's popular PAX-TV program. Using video clips from the popular PAX-TV program Faith Under Fire, this cutting-edge curriculum features spirited discussions between well-respected Christians, people of other faiths, or people with no faith at all on important spiritual and social issues. Four sessions on Jesus, the resurrection, universalism, and the supernatural.</p>						
	FAITH UNDER FIRE 2: FAITH & FACTS						7550
	Strobel, Lee & Garry Poole			Zondervan, 2006			DVD
	<p>Four-session DVD small group curriculum based on Lee Strobel's popular PAX-TV program. Using video clips from the popular PAX-TV program Faith Under Fire, this cutting-edge curriculum features spirited discussions between well-respected Christians, people of other faiths, or people with no faith at all on important spiritual and social issues. Four sessions on the Bible, heaven, hell, and science.</p>						
	FAITH UNDER FIRE 2: FAITH & FACTS						7551
	PARTICIPANT'S BOOK						
	Strobel, Lee & Garry Poole			Zondervan, 2006			BOOK
	<p>Partipant's Book to four-session DVD small group curriculum based on Lee Strobel's popular PAX-TV program; for small group discussion.</p>						
	FAITH UNDER FIRE 3: TOUGH FAITH QUESTIONS						7553
	PARTICIPANT'S BOOK						
	Strobel, Lee & Garry Poole			Zondervan, 2006			BOOK
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	FAITH UNDER FIRE 3: TOUGH FAITH QUESTIONS						7552
	Strobel, Lee & Garry Poole			Zondervan, 2006		DVD	
	Four-session DVD small group curriculum based on Lee Strobel's popular PAX-TV program. Using video clips from the popular PAX-TV program Faith Under Fire, this cutting-edge curriculum features spirited discussions between well-respected Christians, people of other faiths, or people with no faith at all on important spiritual and social issues. Four sessions on forgiveness, pain and suffering, the Trinity, and Islam.						
	FAITH UNDER FIRE 4: A NEW KIND OF FAITH						7555
	PARTICIPANT'S BOOK						
	Strobel, Lee & Garry Poole			Zondervan, 2006		BOOK	
	Partipant's Book to four-session DVD small group curriculum based on Lee Strobel's popular PAX-TV program; for small group discussion.						
	FAITH UNDER FIRE 4: A NEW KIND OF FAITH						7554
	Strobel, Lee & Garry Poole			Zondervan, 2006		DVD	
	Four-session DVD small group curriculum based on Lee Strobel's popular PAX-TV program. Using video clips from the popular PAX-TV program Faith Under Fire, this cutting-edge curriculum features spirited discussions between well-respected Christians, people of other faiths, or people with no faith at all on important spiritual and social issues. Four sessions on the relevance of Christianity.						
	FIVE THINGS GOD USES TO GROW YOUR FAITH						7546
	Stanley, Andy			Zondervan, 2009		DVD	
	Imagine how different your outlook on life would be if you had absolute confidence that God was with you. Imagine how differently you would respond to difficulties, temptations, and even good things if you knew with certainty that God was in all of it and was planning to leverage it for good. In other words, imagine what it would be like to have PERFECT faith. In this new DVD study, Andy Stanley builds a biblical case for five things God uses to grow BIG faith. (6 sessions of 15-20 minutes each)						
	FIVE THINGS GOD USES TO GROW YOUR FAITH						7547
	PARTICIPANT'S BOOK						
	Stanley, Andy			Zondervan, 2009		BOOK	
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	GOD OF SECOND CHANCES						7558
				Kolbell, Erik	Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK
	<p>In this hopeful book, this insightful writer and caregiver looks back through Scripture and finds that it reveals a God of second chances. The Bible is rich with words like re-conciliation, re-demption, re-vival, and re-surrection, and Kolbell eloquently explores one “re” word in every chapter, each pointing to a well-recognized biblical theme that speaks in its own way to how, when our spirits are weary, God gives us a second chance to deepen our lives of faith. Drawing from a wealth of biblical and contemporary illustrations, Kolbell offers comforting guidance to all spiritual seekers who yearn to find their way back to the sufficiency of God’s love and gain the wisdom to know what to respond in return. Includes questions for discussion or reflection.</p>						
	JESUS CREED						7569
	LOVING GOD, LOVING OTHERS						
				McKnight, Scot	Paraclete Press, Inc., 2008		BOOK
	<p>When an expert in the law asked Jesus for the greatest commandment, Jesus responded with the Shema, the ancient Jewish creed that commands Israel to love God with heart, soul, mind, and strength. But the next part of Jesus' answer would change the course of history. Jesus amended the Shema, giving his followers a new creed for life: to love God with heart, soul, mind, and strength, but also to love others as themselves. Discover how the Jesus Creed of love for God and others can transform your life.</p>						
	JESUS CREED						7568
	SEVEN LESSONS ON LOVING GOD AND LOVING OTHERS						
				McKnight, Scot	Paraclete Press, Inc., 2008		DVD
	<p>In The Jesus Creed DVD, explore with Scot how the great Shema of the Old Testament was transformed by our Lord into the focal point for spiritual maturity. According to the Jesus Creed (found in Mark 12:29-31), loving God and loving others are the greatest commandments.</p>						
	LIFE OF JESUS FOR TODAY						7559
				Allen, Ronald J.	Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK
	<p>In this new volume in the popular . . . for Today series, Ron Allen provides an exciting introduction to the life of Jesus and an engaging discussion of what Jesus’ life means for modern-day believers. Setting Jesus in his ancient context, Allen examines many stories about Jesus’ life, including those that present Jesus as a teacher, a miracle worker, the crucified Messiah, the resurrected Lord, and the Son of God. Throughout, Allen shows how these different stories relate to one another to express the core of Jesus’ message—a message that, as Allen helpfully shows, is of central importance for believers today.</p>						
	NEW CHRISTIAN MANIFESTO: PLEDGING ALLEGIANCE TO						7560
	THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN						
				Ekblad, Bob	Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK
	<p>Bob Ekblad delivers a radical new reading of the Lord’s Prayer by arguing that there are earthly power structures and allegiances that prevent God’s kingdom to come “on earth as in heaven.” Drawing upon his experiences in ministry with marginalized people and his understanding of the Bible, Ekblad calls the church to follow Jesus by seeking its own deliverance from these structures, and to recognize people on the margins as being the most open and available to be agents of transformation. A New Christian Manifesto urges Christians to break down barriers to join Jesus in a movement that includes recruiting, healing, empowering, and sending out to achieve an ultimate victory of the cross.</p>						

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	NEWS TO ME: GOSPEL STORIES FOR THE REAL WORLD						7561
	Wood, Lawrence			Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK	
	In this collection of thirty-two elegant reflections on the Christian life, Lawrence Wood brings together insights from Scripture with his own observations of the “real world”—including the lives of famous and not-so-famous people and observations of popular culture—to offer a fresh, engaging, and inspirational look at the gospel at work in everyday life.						
	<i>Prayer/Meditation</i>						
	FIFTY PRAYERS						7556
	Barth, Karl			Westminster John Knox Press, 2005		BOOK	
	“The first and basic act of theological work is prayer,” Karl Barth claimed in his lecture “Introduction to Evangelical Theology.” But how did this preeminent theologian, widely considered one of the most influential theologians of the modern era, craft and present his own public prayers? This collection makes Barth’s pastoral prayers available to an English-speaking audience for the first time, offering a fresh perspective on how the great Swiss theologian understood this central practice of Christian life. The prayers are organized according to seasons of the liturgical year, making them ideal for both group use and individual reflection.						
	PRAYERS FOR THE NEW SOCIAL AWAKENING						7564
	INSPIRATION BY THE NEW SOCIAL CREED						
	Iosso, Christian & Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty,			Westminster John Knox Press,		BOOK	
	In honor of the 100th anniversary of the 1908 Social Creed and the development of a Social Creed for the twenty-first century, Chris Iosso and Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty have compiled new prayers from well-known church and community leaders. This seminal volume includes the words from the new Social Creed and prayers reflecting social justice themes referenced in the creed, including poverty, economic justice, and care for the environment. Walter Brueggemann, John Buchanan, Tony Campolo, Katie Cannon, Bob Edgar, and Marian Wright Edelman are among contributors, making this an important resource for laity and congregational leaders in every denomination for the next century.						
	PRAYING IN COLOR						7571
	DRAWING A NEW PATH TO GOD						
	MacBeth, Sybil			Paraclete Press, Inc., 2008		BOOK	
	Need help communicating with God? Maybe you hunger to know God better. Maybe you love color. Maybe you are a visual or kinesthetic learner, a distractable or impatient soul, or a word-weary pray-er. Perhaps you struggle with a short attention span, a restless body, or a tendency to live in your head. This new prayer form can take as little or as much time as you have or want to commit, from 15 minutes to a weekend retreat.						
	PRAYING IN COLOR						7572
	THE WORKSHOP DVD						
	MacBeth, Sybil			Paraclete Press, Inc., 2008		DVD	
	Everything you need to know to lead your own Praying in Color workshop, featuring author Sybil MacBeth. Segments include: Arrival of participants and introduction to the practice; Getting Started; Beginning to Pray; Bringing your prayer time to a close.						

Presbyterians

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	BOOK OF ORDER 2009-2011						7538
	PART II: THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PCUS						
	Office of the General Assembly			OGA, PCUSA 2009			BOOK
	Copy 2.						
	BOOK OF ORDER 2009-2011						7537
	PART II: THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PCUS						
	Office of the General Assembly			OGA, PCUSA 2009			BOOK
	The Book of Order is the second part of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). This volume contains the Form of Government, the Directory for Worship, and the Rules of Discipline. Additional information is provided to the reader through the inclusion of Received Ecumenical Statements of Guidance, Articles of Agreement, and material on the seal of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).						
	<i>Professional Ministry</i>						
	HOLY CLARITY						7535
	THE PRACTICE OF PLANNING AND EVALUATION						
	Drummond, Sarah B.			The Alban Insitute, 2009			BOOK
	In Holy Clarity, Sarah Drummond explores the most basic reason leaders of religious organizations conduct evaluations: To find and create God-pleasing clarity regarding the organization's purpose and the impact of its activities. Leadership and evaluation are not separate disciplines, she argues. Effective leaders evaluate because they need to know what is happening in their organizations and how those activities are effecting change.						
	KNOW YOUR STORY AND LEAD WITH IT						7540
	THE POWER OF NARRATIVE IN CLERGY LEADERSHIP						
	Hester, Richard L. & Kelli Walker-Jones			The Alban Institute, 2009			BOOK
	Knowing your story is an essential component of effective leadership, but finding your story among the myriad narratives that fill your life isn't a simple task. Richard L. Hester and Kelli Walker-Jones have offered a path to finding your own story amid the powerful family and cultural narratives that may be obscuring your vision. The aim of this book is to show leaders how to explore their story of reality, tell it to other group members, and consider how it can be used as a resource for leadership.						
	STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP FOR A CHANGE						7541
	FACING OUR LOSSES, FINDING OUR FUTURE						
	McFayden, Kenneth J.			The Alban Institute, 2009			BOOK
	Strategic Leadership for a Change provides congregational leaders with new insights and tools for understanding the relationships among change, attachment, loss, and grief. It also helps to facilitate the process of grieving, comprehend the centrality of vision, and demonstrate theological reflection in the midst of change, loss, grief, and attaching anew. All this occurs as the congregation aligns its vision with God's and understands processes of change as processes of fulfillment.						

Seminaries/Higher Education

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	PREPARING FOR "THE ORDS"						7539
	15TH EDITION						
	Office of Student Relations			Princeton Theological Seminary, 2006			BOOK
	This resource (FOR REFERENCE ONLY) is an informal, practical guide to students about to take the ordination exams. Includes upgraded materials, some recent exams, guidelines for reading groups, and "Golden Rules" from earlier years.						
	<i>Sermon Resources</i>						
	GUIDE TO PREACHING AND LEADING WORSHIP						7565
	Willimon, William H.			Westminster John Knox Press, 2008			BOOK
	One of the world's most admired preachers here offers his practical and sage advice for some of the most basic tasks of ministry: preparing, delivering, and evaluating sermons; planning, leading, and evaluating worship services; offering public prayers; and celebrating baptism and the Lord's Supper. In addition, Willimon provides creative suggestions for involving laity in worship. Ideal for beginning ministers and seasoned veterans alike.						
	<i>Theology/Christian Doctrine</i>						
	POWER OF GOD AND THE GODS OF POWER						7563
	Migliore, Daniel L.			Westminster John Knox Press, 2008			BOOK
	What is the power of God? Revered professor Daniel Migliore here shows how different it is from the powers that surround us. First demonstrating the ways the triune God's power is at work in the world, providing meaning and form to the Christian life, he concludes with a chapter looking at the power of God in the witness of both Christianity and Islam.						