

# Book Recommendations

We live in an age in which most anyone with a laptop and an idea can pound out a book (or two). Even in evangelical circles, this potential for production threatens to overwhelm us. With so many books out there, what should we read? Trinity's staff and leadership offers recommendations that we trust will draw many more readers to a deeper love for the Author of life Himself.

## **Beginners/ Introduction to Christianity**

McDowell, *Evidence that Demands a Verdict*  
Blanchard, *Ultimate Questions*  
Stott, *Basic Christianity*  
Gilbert, *What is the Gospel?*

## **Bible**

NASB  
ESV  
NIV  
John MacArthur Study Bible

## **Bible Study Aids**

Carson, *Moo, Morris Introduction to the New Testament*  
**Bruce, Packer, Henry, *The Origin of the Bible***  
Dillard & Longman, *Introduction to the Old Testament*  
**Fee & Stuart, *How to Read the Bible for All It's Worth***  
Motyer, *Story of the Old Testament*  
**Vaughan Roberts, *God's Big Picture***

## **Biographies**

Bainton, *Here I Stand*  
**Bunyan, *Grace Abounding to the Chief of Sinners***  
Colson, *Born Again*  
Dallimore, *Spurgeon*  
Dallimore, *Whitefield*  
Elliott, *Chance to Die*  
**Elliot, *Through the Gates of Splendor***  
**Foxe, *Foxe's Book of Martyrs***  
Marsden, *Jonathan Edwards: A Life*  
McGrath, *J.I. Packer: A Biography*  
**Metaxas, *Bonhoeffer***  
**Muller, *Autobiography of George Mueller***  
Murray, *D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones (Vol. 1)*  
Murray, *D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones (Vol. 2)*  
**Murray, *Forgotten Spurgeon***  
Murray, *Jonathan Edwards: A New Biography*

**Piper, *Hidden Smile of God***

**Piper, *Legacy of Sovereign Joy***

**Piper, *Roots of Endurance***

Ryle, *Five English Reformers*

Spurgeon, *C.H. Spurgeon, Autobiography -2 Vol*

**Ten Boom, *The Hiding Place***

**Wurmbrand, *Tortured for Christ***

## **Christ and Culture**

Augustine, *City of God*  
Norman Geisler, *Answering Islam*  
Carl F. Henry, *Toward a Recovery of Christian Belief*  
Johnson, *Darwin on Trial*  
Johnson, *Reason in the Balance*  
**Machen, *Christianity and Liberalism***  
**MacArthur, *The Vanishing Conscience***  
**MacArthur, *The Gospel According to Jesus***  
Nash, *Worldviews in Conflict*  
Schaeffer, *Escape from Reason*  
Schaeffer, *Trilogy*  
**Sire, *The Universe Next Door***  
Sproul, *Lifeviews*  
Sproul, *Playing God*  
**Strobel, *Case for Christ***  
**C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity***

## **Christian Living**

**Alcorn, *Money, Possessions & Eternity***  
Bonar, *Words to Winners of Souls*  
**Bonhoeffer, *Cost of Discipleship***  
Bunyan, *All Loves Excelling*  
Bunyan, *Pilgrim's Progress (Today's English)*  
Calvin, *Golden Booklet on the True Christian Life*  
**Carson, *Call to Spiritual Reformation***  
Colson, *How Now Shall We Live*  
**Edwards, *Charity and Its Fruits***  
Edwards, *Resolutions of Jonathan Edwards*  
George, *Amazing Grace*  
Grudem, *Business for the Glory of God*  
Gurnall, *Christian in Complete Armour*

Horton, *In the Face of God*  
**Lloyd-Jones, *Spiritual Depression***  
**Lundgaard, *Enemy Within***  
**Mahaney, *Cross-Centered Life***  
**Mahaney, *Humility***  
**Ortlund, *Gently and Lowly***  
Packer, *God's Plans for You*  
Packer, *Rediscovering Holiness*  
**Peterson, *Lifestyle Discipleship***  
Piper, *Dangerous Duty of Delight*  
**Piper, *Desiring God***  
**Piper, *Don't Waste Your Life***  
Piper, *Future Grace*  
Piper, *God's Passion for His Glory*  
Piper, *Misery of Job-the Mercy of God*  
Piper, *Pleasures of God*  
**Platt, *Radical***  
**Powlison, *Seeing with New Eyes***  
Ryle, *Aspects of Holiness*  
**Ryle, *Holiness***  
**Sande, *Peacemaker***  
**Sanders Oswald, *Spiritual Leadership***  
Sibbes, *Bruised Reed*  
Sproul, *Ultimate Issues*  
Spurgeon, *Finding Peace in Life's Storms*  
Spurgeon, *God's Grace to You*  
Spurgeon, *John Ploughman's Pictures*  
Spurgeon, *John Ploughman's Talk*  
Spurgeon, *Power of Prayer in a Believer's Life*  
Spurgeon, *Praying Successfully*  
Stiles, *Mack & Leann's Guide to Short-Term Missions*  
Stiles, *Speaking of Jesus*  
**Tripp, *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hand***  
**Welch, *When People are Big and God is Small***  
**Whitney, *Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life***  
**Whitney, *10 Questions to Diagnose Your Spiritual Health***  
**Whitney, *How Can I Be Sure I'm a Christian?***

### **Church & Worship**

Adams, *Handbook of Church Discipline*  
Armstrong-Ed., *Coming Evangelical Crisis*  
**Carson, *Worship by the Book***  
Dever, *Display of God's Glory*  
**Dever, *Nine Marks of a Healthy Church***  
Johnson, *Reformed Worship*  
Leeman, *Membership*  
Lawrence, *Conversion*

Murray, *Invitation System*  
**Piper, *Biblical Eldership***  
**Piper, *Brothers, We Are Not Professionals***  
**Piper, *Supremacy of God in Preaching***  
Stott, *What Christ Thinks of the Church*  
**Strauch, *Biblical Eldership***  
**Whitney, *Spiritual Disciplines Within the Church***

### **Commentaries**

**Boice, *Genesis (Vol 1 &2)***  
**Boice, *Minor Prophets***  
Boice, *Romans 1*  
Boice, *Romans 2*  
Boice, *Romans 3*  
Boice, *Romans 4*  
Calvin, *Romans*  
John MacArthur, *NT Commentary series*  
Stott, *The Letters of John (Tyndale NT Commentary)*  
IVP/Erdman's, *Commentaries*  
Tyndale, *NT Commentaries*  
BST/IVP, *Commentaries*  
**IVP Bible Background Commentary (OT & NT)**

### **Devotional Aids**

**Bennett, *Valley of Vision***  
Johnstone, *Operation World*  
Spurgeon, *Beside Still Waters*  
Spurgeon, *Morning and Evening*  
Carson, *For the Love of God (Vol. 1)*  
Carson, *For the Love of God (Vol. 2)*

### **Evangelism**

Fickert, *When Helping Hurts*  
**Johnson, *Missions***  
**Metzger, *Tell the Truth***  
**Packer, *Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God***  
**Piper, *Let the Nations Be Glad***  
**Stiles, *Evangelism***  
Beougher, *Overcoming Walls to Witnessing*

### **History**

Dowley, *Introduction to History of Christianity*  
**Timothy P. Jones, *Church History Made Easy***  
Murray, *Evangelicalism Divided*  
Murray, *Revival & Revivalism*

## **Marriage & Family**

Chapell, *Each for the Other*

**Grudem & Piper, *Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood***

**Mahaney, *Sex, Romance, and the Glory of God***

**Piper, *This Momentary Marriage***

**Keller, *The Meaning of Marriage***

Piper, *Treasuring God in Our Traditions*

**Priolo, *Complete Husband***

**Scott, *Exemplary Husband***

**Thomas, *Sacred Marriage***

## **Theology**

Calvin, *Institutes of the Christian Religion*

**Carson, *Difficult Doctrine of the Love of God***

Carson, *Divine Sovereignty & Human Responsibility*

Carson, *Love in Hard Places*

**Ferguson, *Christian Life***

**Ferguson, *The Whole of Christ***

**Ferguson, *Devoted to God***

Ferguson, *Grace of Repentance*

George, *Theology of the Reformers*

Goldsworthy, *According to Plan*

Goldsworthy, *Gospel in Revelation*

Goldsworthy, *Preaching the Whole Bible as Scripture*

Goldsworthy, *Trilogy*

**Grudem, *Systematic Theology***

Kaiser, *Old Testament Documents: Are They Reliable?*

Kuyper, *Lectures on Calvinism*

**Letham, *Work of Christ***

**Luther, *Bondage of the Will***

Malone, *Baptism of Believers Alone*

Ware, *God's Greater Glory*

## **Suffering**

**Bridges, *Trusting God Even When Life Hurts***

**Carson, *How Long, O Lord?***

Fernando, *A Call to Joy and Pain*

**Eareckson Tada, *When God Weeps***

## **Raising Children**

Fitzpatrick, *Give them Grace*

Helm, *The Big Picture Story Bible*

Klumpenhouwer, *Show Them Jesus*

Lloyd-Jones, *The Jesus Storybook Bible*

Scott & Peace, *Faithful Parenting*

Plowmann, *Wise Words for Moms*

Tripp, *Shepherding a Child's Heart*

Tripp, *Instructing a Child's Heart*

Tripp, *Age of Opportunity*

## **Women**

Elliott, *Passion and Purity*

Fitzpatrick/Cornish, *Women Helping Women*

Fitzpatrick, *Because He Loves Me*

Fitzpatrick, *Counsel from the Cross*

Fitzpatrick, *Idols of the Heart*

Fitzpatrick, *Love to Eat, Hate to Eat*

Kostenberger, *Women in the Church*

Hunt, *By Design: God's Distinctive Calling for Women*

Leigh DeMoss, *Biblical Womanhood in the Home*

Leigh DeMoss, *Lies Women Believe*

Leigh DeMoss, *Choosing Forgiveness*

Mahaney, *Feminine Appeal*

Mahaney & Whitacre, *Girl Talk: Mother-Daughter Conversations on Biblical Womanhood*

McCulley, *Did I Kiss Marriage Goodbye? Trusting God with a Hope Deferred*

Thomas, *Sacred Influence*

Wilkin, *Women of the Word*

Wilkin, *None Like Him*

Wilkin, *In His Image*