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Apologetics

Archaeology Sources

Arnold, Bill T., and Beyer, Bryan E., Editors, *Readings from the Ancient Near East*. (Baker Academic, Philadelphia, 2000 by Bill T. Arnold and Bryan E. Beyer). Among other things, this book contains extra-biblical documents (e.g., creation, flood accounts) that are helpful to comparing with what the biblical accounts reveal

Editors: Bienkowski and Millard. *Dictionary of the Ancient Near East*, (University of Pennsylvania Press, Philadelphia, 2000 by The Trustees of the British Museum). This is a good resource for exegesis and overview of Ancient Near Eastern artifacts, texts, etc.

Dever, William G. *What Did The Biblical Writers Know & When Did They Know It? What Archaeology Can Tell Us about the Reality of ancient Israel*. (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2001 Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co). While not a friend of orthodox Christianity, the author provides helpful insight into the problem with “revisionist history’s” and how archaeology buttresses much of the Scriptural accounts of the Monarchial period of David and Solomon.

Hoerth, Alfred J. *Archaeology & The Old Testament*, (Baker Books, 1998 by Alfred J. Hoerth). This text covers archaeological evidence for Biblical accounts, deals with difficult issues, well written, and is simple yet not simplistic.

McRay, John. *Archaeology & The New Testament*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan, 1991 by Baker Book House Company). This is an introductory text to the field of biblical archaeology pertaining to New Testament times. Like its Old Testament counterpart, it is well written, simple but not simplistic.

Mazar, Amihai. *Archaeology of the Land of the Bible: 10,000—586 B.C.E.* (Doubleday, 1990 by Amihai Mazar). A standard text that deals with major archaeological discoveries and considers their bearing on biblical accounts.

Newman, Robert C. Editor. *The Evidence of Prophecy: Fulfilled Prediction as a Testimony to The Truth of Christianity*, (Ibri, Interdisciplinary Biblical Research Institute, 1988 by Robert C. Newman). Many contributors consider how archaeology demonstrates that fulfilled prophecy is evidence for the Bible’s historical reliability

Biblical Documents

Bruce, F.F., *The New Testament Documents: Are They Reliable?* (Reprinted 1974 edition. © Fifth revised edition by The Inter-Varsity Fellowship). A small paperback book, packed with proofs for the reliability of the New Testament documents. He addresses the issue’s importance, and uses internal and external witnesses to make his case.

Bruce, F.F., *The Canon of Scripture*, (Inter-Varsity Press, 1988 by F.F. Bruce). This Text deals with how the Old and New Testament Scriptures came to be canonical. He explains the criteria for canonization.

Geisler, L. Norman, & Nix, E. William, *A General Introduction to the Bible*. (Moody Press, 1968 by The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago). This text is valuable in that it considers questions and provides evidence for the Bible's inspiration, canonization, and its transmission.

Kaiser, Walter C. Jr., *The Old Testament Documents: Are They Reliable & Relevant?* (Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 2001 Walter C. Kaiser Jr.). The author makes a cogent, yet sober case for the historical reliability of the Old Testament. He focuses on the canonicity, historicity, message content and relevance of the Old Testament message. Kaiser emphasizes how essential understanding a books genre is for attaining a proper hermeneutic of the text.

Ladd, George Eldon, *The New Testament And Criticism*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1967). Ladd considers the issues of *how* the Bible is God's word, *what* textual, linguistic, literary, form, historical, and comparative religions criticism is.

Metzger, Bruce Manning, *The Text of the New Testament: It's Transmission, Corruption, and Restoration*. (Oxford University Press, second edition, 1968). This book is advanced reading in the area of how biblical books came to us. This is an excellent treatment of a difficult, but critical subject in Bibliological studies.

_____ *The Canon of the New Testament: It's Origin, Development, and Significance*, (Oxford University Press, First edition in paperback 1997, 1987 Bruce M. Metzger). This is an excellent, cogent, yet cautious scholarly work concerning how the NT became canonized. This is a tremendous resource in the field, both for Metzger's insights and the bibliographies in the first two chapters.

Classic Apologetic Works

St. Anselm, "Cur Deus Homo," *Basic Writings*, (Translated by S. N. Deane, Pp.191-302, © 1962 by Open Court Publishing Company, 2001 Printing). In this treatise Anselm considers why it was necessary for God to become man (i.e., *why the God-man?*) in securing man's salvation.

Aquinas, Thomas, *St. Thomas Aquinas: The Summa Theologica*, "The Nature and Extent of Sacred Doctrine", & *The Existence of God*, Translated by the Fathers of the English Dominican Province, (Benzinger Bros. Edition, 1947). Aquinas considers first the epistemic warrant of sacred doctrine, and secondly several arguments for God's existence.

Arminius, *Declaration of Sentiments*, Dr. Alan Gomes, Spring 2002 Biola University, Reformation & Modern Theology Selected Readings, CD ROM Pp. 1-36). Here the theologian advances his view contra Calvin regarding predestination and it's varied nuances.

Athanasius, "Defense of the Nicene Definition," *The Nicene and Post-Nicene Fathers, Second Series, Volume IV*, Pp.150-172, (T & T Clark Edinburgh, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Reprinted in 1996). This work defends the Nicene Creed's Christology against the Arians view of Christ.

_____ "On The Incarnation of The Word," Pp.36-67, Athanasius explains the nature of Christ and affirms Him as creator and savior.

Augustin, Aurelius, Bishop of Hippo, "Treatise on Nature and Grace: Against Pelagius," *The Nicene and Post-Nicene Fathers, First Series Volume V*, Pp.121-151, (T & T Clark Edinburgh, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Reprinted in 1997). Augustin deals with man's human nature as fallen and sinful, unable to respond to God's call without God's grace for rescue, contra Pelagius.

_____ "On Grace and Free Will," Pp. 443-465, Augustin explains his understanding of man's free will and how it relates to God's grace.

- St. Benedict, *The Rule of St. Benedict In English*; Editor Timothy Fry, O.S.B., (Collegeville, Minnesota: The Liturgical Press, 1981 by the Order of St. Benedict). A monks' view of the holy life and ordering of the monastic life.
- Bunyan, *Grace Abounding to the Chief of Sinners*, Dr. Alan Gomes, Spring 2002 Biola University, Reformation & Modern Theology Selected Readings, CD ROM Pp. 1-58). Considers his wretched life prior to conversion and God's stupendous mercy toward him.
- Calvin, John, *Calvin's Institutes: Chapters 21-24*, (This document is from the [Christian Classics Ethereal Library](#) at [Calvin College](#). Last updated on May 27, 1999. [Contacting the CCEL](#)). Here the theologian makes his case for the biblical doctrine of predestination and answers objections to the view advanced.
- Ignatius, "Epistle to the Romans," 73, "Epistle To Polycarp" 93, *The Ante-Nicene Fathers*, Volume I, (T & T Clark Edinburgh, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Reprinted in 1996). A simple account of Ignatius' view of death and his exhortation to Polycarp.
- Kierkegaard, Søren, *The Sickness Unto Death: A Christian Psychological Exposition For Upbuilding And Awakening*, Edited and translated by Howard V. Hong & Edna H. Hong, (Princeton New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 1980 by Howard V. Hong). The author considers the meaning, cause, and depth of despair and how a Christian ought to deal with it. A truly reflective account of the noetic effects of the fall.
- Luther, Martin, *Concerning Christian Liberty: by Martin Luther 1520*, "The Harvard Classics", Volume 36 (New York: P.F. Collier & Son, 1910, Pages 353-397).
 _____ *Table Talk on Justification*, Ibid.
 _____ *Table Talk on the Church Fathers*, Ibid.
 _____ *Table Talk on the Scriptures*, Ibid.
- Martyr, Justin, "The First Apology of Justin," *The Ante-Nicene Fathers*, Volume I, pp.163-187, (T & T Clark Edinburgh, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Reprinted in 1996). This work demonstrates how early apologists dealt with the state by appealing for Christian toleration in the culture.
- Tertullian, "Against Praxeas," *The Ante-Nicene Fathers*, Volume III, Pp.597-627, (T & T Clark Edinburgh, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Reprinted in 1997). As the Father of Latin Christianity, Tertullian defends the doctrine of the Trinity on all points.
- Wesley, John, Sermon Forty, *Christian Perfection*, Edited by Dave Sparks, (1999 by the Wesley Center for Applied Theology, web site: webadmin@wesley.nnu.edu for permission or to report errors). Considers what it means and what it does not mean to be *perfect* as a Christian.

Comparative Religions, Cults

- George Braswell, Jr., *Understanding World Religions, revised*, © 1994 Broadman and Holman Publishers, Nashville, Tennessee. Written in such a way that while informative, is somewhat dry—bullet-point sense in the communication, yet helpful.
- Corduan, Winfried, *A Christian Introduction to World Religions: Neighboring Faiths*, © 1998 Winfried Corduan, (InterVarsity Press: Downers Grove, Illinois). This is a good introductory text for differing faiths and written in a very clear manner.
- Evans, C. Stephen, *Pocket Dictionary of Apologetics and Philosophy of Religion*, © 2002 by C. Stephen

- Evans, Intersivarsity Press. Concise dictionary of terms and thinkers pertinent to the enterprise of Apologetics and Philosophy of Religion.
- Geisler, L. Norman & MacKenzie, Ralph E., *Roman Catholics and Evangelicals: Agreements and Differences*, (Baker Books: 1995 by Norman L. Geisler & Ralph E. MacKenzie) The book considers the differences that are and are not reconcilable between the two traditions.
- Geisler, L. Norman & Abdul Saleeb, *Answering Islam: The Crescent in Light of the Cross*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Books, 1993 & 2002 by Norman L. Geisler). A good introduction to the differences that obtain between Islam and Christianity.
- Groothius, Douglas R., *Unmasking The New Age: Is There a New Religious Movement Trying to Transform Society,?* (1986 Intersivarsity Christian Fellowship) and *Confronting The New Age: How To Resist a Growing Religious Movement*, (Intersivarsity Press, 1988 by Douglas R Groothius), offers a sober analysis of the New Age Movement in both books and considers evangelistic strategies for reaching those in said movement.
- General Editor: Halverson, C. Dean, *The Compact Guide to WORLD RELIGIONS: Understanding and Reaching Followers Of...and Other World Faiths*, (Bethany House Publishers, 1996 by International Students, Inc) A quick readable reference on religions such as: Hinduism, Islam, Shinto, etc. This book, besides giving brief, introductions on the history and major beliefs within a particular religious system, it also includes suggestions on how to effectively share the faith with people of said Faiths.
- Keating, Karl, *Catholicism and Fundamentalism: The Attack on "Romanism" By "Bible Christians,"* (Ignatius Press, San Francisco, 1988 by Ignatius Press, San Francisco). A Catholic apologetic dealing with issues that divide Evangelical "Fundamentalist's" from them.
- McDowell, Josh, and Stewart, Don, *A Handbook of Today's Religions: Understanding the Cults*, (Here's Life Publishers, Inc. 1982 by Campus Crusade for Christ). Simple straightforward approach to understanding cults.
- Editor: Nuesner, Jacob, *World Religions in America: An Introduction*, (1994 Westminster/John Knox Press). The contents deal with how religious groups like Hispanic Americans, East Asian, Hinduism, etc., materializes in the United States.
- Partridge, Christopher, *Dictionary of Contemporary Religion in the Western World*,
 Editor: Christopher Partridge, © 2002 Intersivarsity Press. A resource that while written mostly by Christians, the articles focus on the descriptive rather than the prescriptive aspects of the subject treated.
- Smith, F. LaGard, *Out On A Broken Limb*, (Harvest House, 1986 by Harvest House Publishers). The author confronts the New Age thinking of Shirley McClain's view concerning the meaning of life and the afterlife.
- Zondervan Guide To The Cults and Religious Movements: Series Editor Alan W. Gomes, Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Each book covers in outline form: an introduction to the group, an overview of the group's theology in its own words, a bibliography with sources for further study, and a comparison chart showing the essential differences between Biblical Christianity and the group. A good start for beginners.
- _____ Beisner, Calvin E., *"Jesus Only" Churches*, , © 1998 by Calvin Beisner
- _____ Bowman, Robert M. Jr., *Jehovah's Witnesses*, © 1995 by Robert M. Bowman, Jr
- _____ Ehrenborg, Todd, *Christian Science & Unity School*, © 1995 by Todd Ehrenborg
- _____ Gomes, Alan W, *Unmasking The Cults*, © 1995 by Alan W. Gomes
- _____ *Unitarian Universalism*, © 1998 by Alan W. Gomes

- _____ Hawkins, Craig S., *Goddess Worship, Witchcraft and Neo-Paganism*, ©1998 by Craig S. Hawkins
 _____ Rhodes, Ron, *New Age Movement*, , © 1995 by Ron Rhodes
 _____ Van Gorden, Kurt, *Mormonism*, © 1995 by Kurt Van Gorden

Ethics

- Beckwith, Francis, *Politically Correct Death: Answering the Arguments for Abortion Rights*, © 1993 by Francis J. Beckwith, Publisher Baker Book House. The definitive work on Abortion. Beckwith offers a thorough explanation of sixty-nine ethical and philosophical arguments sometimes given to defend a pro-choice position and persuasive pro-life responses to each. His premise is that the unborn entity is fully human, hence elective abortion is morally unjust.
- Bruce Birch/Larry Rasmussen, *Bible and Ethics in the Christian Life*, © 1976 by Augsburg Publishing House, Minneapolis, Minnesota. This text is an attempt to integrate the discipline of ethics and theology in the life of the church. Good read
- Davis, John Jefferson, *Evangelical Ethics: Issues Facing The Church Today*, (Phillipsburg, New Jersey: P&R Publishing 1985, 1993 by John Jefferson Davis) An ethics treatment from a Christian perspective.
- Foreman, Mark W., *Christianity and Bioethics: Confronting Clinical Issues*, © 1999 College Press Publishing House, is an ethics book that focuses on the end of life issues the medical field is confronting today. He does a good job of considering the pro's and con's of each position and goes into more detail than Rae does on his sections—or so it appeared to me.
- George, Robert P., *The Clash of Orthodoxies: Law, Religion, and Morality in Crisis*, © 2001 ISI Books, Wilmington, Delaware. This book focuses on the culture war and how the secularist orthodoxy pits *reason* against *faith* relegating the latter to private personal beliefs, thus muting any religious moral discourse in the public square. George debunks said notions and demonstrates that where true irrationality obtains is with the *secularists* not the *religionists*. Not an easy read.
- Scott Klusendorf, *Pro-life 101: A Step-By-Step Guide to Making Your Case Persuasively*, © 2002 by Scott Klusendorf, Published by Stand To Reason, (**69 pages**). An incisive, compact treatment of the abortion debate in Western civilization. Scott Klusendorf demonstrates how to simplify the abortion issue, defend a pro-life stance scientifically and philosophically, and refute 5 common objections by abortion on demand advocates. Excellent read, great starting point for anyone.
- Moreland, J.P. and Norman Geisler, *The Life and Death: Moral Issues Of Our Time*, © 1990 by J.P. Moreland and Norman Geisler, Praeger: Westport Connecticut, London. This ethics text is a supplementary resource that further explicates the end of life decisions we must make. Especially helpful was the manner in which questions and answers were addressed looking at the opposing views and analyzing their strengths and weaknesses.
- Rae, Scott. B., *Moral Choices: An Introduction to Ethics*, 2nd Edition (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1995, 2000 by Scott B. Rae) An excellent introductory work on Ethics from a Christian perspective that attempts (and in my view succeeds) to deal fairly with rival positions.
- Schmidt, Thomas E., *Straight and Narrow? Compassion and Clarity in the Homosexuality Debate*, (Downers Grove, Illinois: Intervarsity Press, 1995 by Thomas E. Schmidt) A comprehensive, readable, and well researched Christian book on the title's issue. A good "one stop" reference.
- _Alan Shlemon, The Ambassadors Guide Series from STR, *Understanding Homosexuality*, © 2013 by Ala Shlemon

Wolfe, Christopher, Editor, *Homosexuality and American Public Life*, (Dallas, Texas: Spence Publishing Company, 1999 by the American Public Philosophy Institute) Text deals with the issue of homosexuality from a natural law perspective and the varied essays cover the subjects of Science, Moral Norms, and Law. Advanced reading.

Evangelism

Campolo, Tony & Gordon Aeschliman, *50 Ways You Can Share Your Faith*. (InterVarsity Press, 1992 by Tony Campolo & Gordon Aeschliman). Filled with practical suggestions on how to put on an event or strike up a conversation with non-Christians for evangelism.

Green, Michael, *Evangelism in the Early Church*, (William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1970 by Michael Green). The author does a masterful job of Probing the challenges, obstacles, methods, and results the early Christian evangelism. Its historical grounding makes this a sober, yet useful tool for the evangelist/minister/Christian.

_____ *Evangelism Through the Local Church*, (Oliver Nelson, 1990, 1992 by Michael Green). This work is a comprehensive guide to all aspects of evangelism. A must for church planting teams, or anyone wanting to start an evangelistic bible Study.

_____ *But Don't All Religions Lead to God? Navigating the Multi-Faith Maze*, (Baker Book House, 2002 by Michael Green). A short read on the uniqueness of Jesus among all other faiths.

Greenway, Roger S. & Timothy M. Monsma, *Cities: Missions' New Frontier*. (Baker Book House, 1989 by Baker Book House). The authors consider how to strategize our evangelism in light of the shifting sociological trends.

Jacks, Bob and Betty. *Your Home A Lighthouse: Hosting an Evangelistic Bible Study*. (NavPress, 1986 Churches Alive International). A hands-on-approach to starting, hosting and maintaining a home Based evangelistic Bible study.

Little, Paul E. *How To Give Away Your Faith*. (InterVarsity Press, 1966 by InterVarsity). A helpful practical guide for Christians to not keep quiet, but rather to share the good news of Christ Jesus with their loved ones and neighbors alike.

McGrath, Alister and Green, Michael, *How Shall We Reach Them: Defending and Communicating the Christian Faith to Nonbelievers*, (Oliver Nelson, 1995 by Alister E. McGrath and Michael Green). Whether it's the erudite or naïve, the authors are practical but not shallow, in their admonitions to reach them.

Miller, Paul M., *Group Dynamics in Evangelism*, (Herald Press, 1958 by Herald Press, Scottsdale, Pennsylvania). Argues for the priesthood of all believers in the context of shared, transparent, community living within the local church.

Packer, J.I., *Evangelism & The Sovereignty of God*. (InterVarsity Press, 1961 by InterVarsity Press). Packer considers what God's sovereignty is, and how it affects our evangelistic efforts.

General Works

- Brooks, Ron & Geisler, L. Norman, *When Skeptics Ask: A Handbook On Christian Evidences*, (Victor Books, 1990 by SP Publications, Inc). A handy readable book that topically considers the problem of evil, other God's, miracles, the resurrection, and much more.
- Craig, William Lane, *Reasonable Faith: Christian Truth and Apologetics*. (Crossway Books: Revised edition, 1994 William Lane Craig). The author covers topics such as: the epistemic relationship between faith and reason, the existence of God, the problem of miracles, the problem of obtaining historical objective knowledge, the self-understanding of Jesus, the resurrection of Jesus. In every chapter he presents the problem, its ideational historical development, assessments and responses to said ideas, whether pro or con.
- Davis, Stephan T., *God, Reason, and Theistic Proofs*, Reason and Religion Series, Edinburgh University Press, 22 George Square, Edinburgh, © 1997 Stephen T. Davis. A philosophical read on proof's for God's existence. Well written, intermediate level.
- Geisler, L. Norman, *Christian Apologetics*, (1976 by Baker Books). This work is divided into three parts: Methodology, Theistic Apologetics, and Christian Apologetics. This is a solid resource for understanding worldviews, dealing with objections to the faith, and providing evidences for Christianity.
- Geisler, Norman L., *Baker Encyclopedia of Christian Apologetics*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Book House, 1999 by Norman L. Geisler). This work is Geislers' opus in the field of apologetics. This is a must for those interested in getting a general grasp on the major issues concerning this discipline.
- Dr. Douglas Groothuis, *Christian Apologetics: A Comprehensive Case for Biblical Faith*, © 2011 Douglas Groothuis, IVP Academic, Downers Grove, Illinois. This book is impressive in its scope, and the its readable treatment of issues concerning the Christian worldview. Many philosophers are not good writers, Groothuis does not fit that mold. This text can be read piecemeal or straight through. Excellent text!
- Keller, Timothy, *The Reason For God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism*, Dutton, Published by the Penguin Group, NY, NY, © 2008 Timothy Keller. A readable skillful work that answers our cultural milieu's objections to the faith. Keller's diverse use of literary works makes reading his book a delight and is instructive in how to communicate Biblical truth to a secular audience.
- Kreeft, Peter & Tacelli, Ronald K., *Handbook of Christian Apologetics: Hundreds of Answers to Crucial Questions*, (Inter-Varsity Press, 1994 by Peter Kreeft and Ronald K. Tacelli). This book is one of the best handbooks on Christian evidences available. Among other things, it deals with the issue of faith and reason, the problem of evil, the problem of miracles, Christianity and other religions, etc.
- Moreland, J.P., *Scaling the Secular City: A Defense of Christianity*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Book House, 1987 by Baker Book House). In this book, Moreland provides philosophical, theological, and historical proofs for the faith. Advanced reading
- Murray, Michael J., *Reason for the Hope Within*, (1999 by Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co). This book is a compilation of different authors who contribute many philosophical and theological proofs for the Christian Worldview. A good readable apologetic text
- Samples, Richard Kenneth, *Without a Doubt: Answering the 20 Toughest Faith Questions*, (Baker Books,

Grand Rapids, Michigan, © 2004 by K.R. Samples). A great read on objections to the faith that is *readable, useful, and lucidly* written. An excellent resource for high school and college student.

_____. *World's Apart: Putting Christian Truth Claims to the World View Test*, Baker Books, Grand Rapids, Michigan, © 2007 by K.R. Samples. Superb job dealing with how a worldview so intricately affects what people believe, why people believe and if said beliefs rationally and existentially satisfy the human experience. An excellent resource for high school, college students, and anyone that cares about the *thought life*.

Francis Schaffer, The Complete Works of Francis Schaeffer, *A Christian View Of Philosophy and Culture*, Volume 1 consists of: a) *The God Who Is There*; b) *Escape From Reason*; c) *He is There and He is Not Silent*; d) *Back to Freedom and Dignity* is an excellent analysis (in my view) of our current times in the West, even though it was written in 1968. Specific attention is given to the absurdity of life without God in the struggle for existence and making sense of it all.

_____. The Complete Works of Francis Schaeffer, *A Christian View Of The Bible As Truth*, Volume 2 consists of: a) *Genesis in Space and Time*; b) *No Final Conflict*; c) *Joshua and The Flow of Biblical History*; d) *Basic Bible Studies*; e) *Art and the Bible...* is an analysis of the uniformity of the Bible's message where "true, truth" is the rock-bed argument for the Christian method and is the most consistently livable world-view in light of humanity's "mannishness".

_____. The Complete Works of Francis Schaeffer, *A Christian View Of Spirituality*, Volume 3 consists of: a) *No Little People*; b) *True Spirituality* c) *The New Super Spirituality*; and d) *Two Contents Two Realities*, is an intriguing analysis (originally sermons actually) concerning the issue of spirituality. My take away: 1st, the details of life in our lives God sees and cares for; 2nd, true spirituality consists of orthodox doctrine and orthodox community living; 3rd, authentic Christian living is costly but necessary to be light; and lastly, Godly wisdom is essential to set things in perspective both culturally and in the church.

_____. The Complete Works of Francis Schaeffer, *A Christian View Of The Church*, Volume 4 consists of: a) *The Church at the End of the Twentieth Century*; b) *The Church Before the Watching World*; c) *The Mark of the Christian*; d) *Death in the City*; e) *The Great Evangelical Disaster* is an sobering analysis (in my view) of how crucial it is for believers not to compromise the reality of Scripture's inerrancy and infallibility and what happens when that goes.

_____. The Complete Works of Francis Schaeffer, *A Christian View Of The West*, Volume 5 consists of: *Pollution and the Death of Man*; b) *How Should We Then Live?*; c) *Whatever Happened to the Human Race?* d) *A Christian Manifesto* is an excellent analysis (in my view) of how to consider what it means for Christ to be Lord over all creation in the varied sectors of society and the Christians need to not only point out the problems but become part of the solutions. Excellent and challenging!

History

Avery Dulles, *A History of Apologetics*, (Wipf and Stock Publishers, 1999). A Catholic work that spans a history of apologetics from the NT writers to the twentieth century. He examines the major thinkers in the apologetic enterprise, considering the strengths and weaknesses of their literary works, their respective apologetic inclinations, and how they approached the issues of their day.

Montgomery, John Warwick, *History and Christianity*, (First edition, Here's Life Publishers, 1983). This little book focuses on historical evidences to support the claims of Christianity and considers common philosophical mistakes made by antagonists of the faith.

Methodology

- Boa, Kenneth and Bowman, Robert Jr., *Faith Has It's Reasons: An Integrative Approach to Defending the Faith*, (NavPress, 2001 by Kenneth Boa). This apologetics handbook considers the four major apologetic methodological approaches: the classical, evidentialist, reformed, and fideist. The authors consider the strengths and weaknesses of each position, and attempt to strategize how to integrate, rather than segregate, these methods.
- Cowan, Steven B., *Five Views On Apologetics*, General Editor Steven B. Cowan, (Zondervan Publishing Company, 2000 by Steven B. Cowan). This book is part of a counterpoints series. In it, four different authors advance their views: classical, evidential, cumulative case, presuppositional, and reformed epistemology. The opposition offers critiques, and responses are given to them. This work focuses on the "How-To" of apologetics.
- Mayers Ronald B., *Balanced Apologetics: Using Evidences and Presuppositions in Defense of the Faith*, (Kregel Publications, 1984 by Ronald B. Mayers). A work that considers philosophy, theology, and church history in coming to terms with integrating the best apologetic method for the situation.

Philosophical Works

- Allen, Diogenes, *Philosophy for Understanding Theology*, (Atlanta: John Knox Press, 1995 John Knox Press). A good overview of philosophy's specific impact on the development of theological doctrines. An important text for students of theology to grasp in order to become sharper at making proper distinctions.
- Angeles, Peter A., *The Harper Collins Dictionary of Philosophy, 2nd edition*, (1992 by Peter A. Angeles). A concise dictionary of philosophy, ideal for beginning students of said discipline.
- Davis, Stephan T., *God, Reason, and Theistic Proofs*, Reason and Religion Series, Edinburgh University Press, 22 George Square, Edinburgh, © 1997 Stephen T. Davis. A philosophical read on proof's for God's existence. Well written, intermediate level.
- Evans, C. Stephan, *Faith Beyond Reason: A Kierkegaardian Account*, © 1998 by C. Stephan Evans, Wm. Eerdman's Publishing Company: Grand Rapids, Michigan. Philosophical epistemological treatment of the issue of faith as it relates to reason.
- Ganssle, Gregory E., *Thinking About God: First Steps in Philosophy*, ©2004 by Gregory E. Ganssle, Intervarsity Press, Downers Grove, IL. Greg's manner of writing is more conversational than academic and yet the intricacies of any given topic are not dealt with in a trite way. Good read
- Geisler & Brooks, *Come Let Us Reason: An Introduction to Logical Thinking*, (1990 by Baker Books). An introductory text to logic.
- Habermas, Gary R., & Moreland, J.P., *Beyond Death: Exploring the Evidence for Immortality*, (Crossway Books, 1998 by Gary R. Habermas & J.P. Moreland). This book probes issues like near-death experiences, re-incarnation, the essence of the soul, heaven, hell, etc. Philosophically and theologically astute.
- Paul Helm, *Faith & Understanding*, Reason and Religion Series, Edinburgh University Press, 22 George Square, Edinburgh, © 1997 Paul Helm. An evaluation of the relationship religious faith and philosophy obtain. Here philosophy is not antagonistic to faith but rather provides tools and doctrines that help better articulate and understand the faith. Intermediate level.

- Hurley, Patrick J., *A Concise Introduction to Logic*, (7th Edition, 2000 by Wadsworth). The extreme usefulness of this work is the contents which point the way to constructing sound arguments and evaluating the arguments of others. A must read for those endeavoring to think more clearly.
- Moreland, J.P. & Rae, Scott B., *Body and Soul: Human Nature and the Crisis in Ethics*, (Intervarsity Press, 2000 by J.P. Moreland & Scott B. Rae). A philosophical investigation of the mind/body problem and ethical issues that concern personhood. A tough read. For advanced students.
- Morris, Thomas V., *Making Sense of it All: A Pascal and The Meaning of Life*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1992 by Eerdmans Publishing Company). The author considers what life is all about by considering Blaise Pascal and several of the writings from his *Pensées*.
- Nash, Ronald H., *Life's Ultimate Questions: An Introduction to Philosophy*, (Zondervan Publishing House, 1999 by Ronald H. Nash). A readable philosophical introductory college textbook, that considers the major thinkers of western thought, and tackles important philosophical problems: metaphysics, epistemology, ethics.
- Peterson, Michael and others, *Reason and Religious Belief: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion*, (2nd edition, 1998 by Oxford University Press, Inc). A good introduction to the study of philosophy of religion, intermediate reading.
- Swinburne, Richard, *Is There A God?* (Oxford University Press: 1996 Richard Swinburne) A philosophic treatment of God's existence.
- Keith Yandell, (*Philosophy of Religion: A Contemporary Introduction*, London and New York, Series Editor: Paul K. Moser, © 1999 Keith E. Yandell, Routledge Series). A lucid, intermediate, simple yet not simply written work on Philosophy of Religion. Especially interesting to me is his treatment of monotheism. Surprising to me was that there's a Greek and Hindu form of monotheism. Some areas of argumentation were difficult for me to follow.

Darwinism, Science, & Creation Works

- Bethell, Tom, *The Politically Incorrect Guide to Science: Science Myths Busted*, © 2005 by Tom Bethell, Regnery Press. This text exposes the many myths that are publicly assumed to be "realities" such as: America is causing global warming, Darwinian evolution is a fact supported by overwhelming evidence, Christians used to think the earth was flat, religion is the enemy of science, and so forth. The P.I.G. series is a good place to start when considering the issues they cover.
- Michael Behe, *Darwin's Black Box: The Biochemical Challenge to Evolution*, © 1996 by Michael Behe, Touchstone Books: Simon & Schuster. Behe demonstrates that the theory of evolution at the micro-biological level has serious flaws and rather than arguing for a naturalistic Darwinian view of origins, the evidence points to an Intelligent Designer. He does not however conclude that this Designer is the God of Scripture. Must reading for issue of origins.
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- _____ *Uncommon Dissent: Intellectuals Who Find Darwinism Unconvincing*, © 2004 by ISI Books, (Wilmington, Delaware), is a fascinating look into the minds of not only theists but agnostics who view Darwinian evolution as a bankrupt worldview based on the evidence, not in spite of it

Michael Denton, *Evolution: A Theory in Crisis*—New Developments in Science are Challenging Orthodox Darwinism, © 1985 by Michael Denton, (The Hutchinson Publishing Group), is an Australian molecular biologist and medical doctor who has lived and worked in London, Toronto and Sydney, and who is best known for his biological research. His book is one that convinced Johnson and Behe that Darwinism had many problems

Huchingson, James E., *Religion and the Natural Sciences: The Range of Engagement*, (Harcourt Brace College Publishers, 1993 by Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Inc.). This text is an introduction to the discussion of science and religion, and has a wide range of fields that can benefit from it's insights: students of science, theology, the humanities, liberal studies, philosophy, etc.

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_____ *An Easy –To-Understand Guide For Defeating Darwinism by Opening Minds*, (Intervarsity Press, 1997 by Phillip E. Johnson). A manual for high school people to grapple with the challenges Darwinian evolution presents in the public schools and the public square. Must, easy reading.

_____ *The Right Questions: Truth, Meaning, and Public Debate*, © 2002 by Phillip E. Johnson, Intervarsity Press. An astute critique of Philosophic Naturalism (Darwinism) considering how it has prevented true tolerance, scientific discovery, and civil discourse to obtain in our schools, universities and the political arena. This is not because of real evidence buttressing their position, but in spite of evidence contrary to their worldview. “Might Makes Right!” *is* how the coercive prevailing opinion shuts up the opposition.

_____ *Reason in the Balance: The Case Against NATURALISM in Science, Law & Education* © 1995 by Phillip E. Johnson, Intervarsity Press, is an amazing read on evolutionary influence in the above mentioned categories.

_____ *Objections Sustained: Subversive Essays on Evolution, Law & Culture* © 1998 by Phillip E. Johnson, Intervarsity Press, is an addition to Johnsons arsenal disclosing the problems within the science community that educators nor the media ever let on. Especially helpful are his book reviews.

_____ *The Wedge of Truth: Splitting the Foundations of Naturalism* © 2000 by Phillip E. Johnson, Intervarsity Press. In this edition Johnson looks at how Science as the supreme authority in Western civilization has unwarranted power not in spite of the evidence but because of it. Thus a revolution of world view analysis is offered.

Moreland, J.P. editor, *The Creation Hypothesis: Scientific Evidence for an Intelligent Designer*. (InterVarsity Press, 1994 J.P. Moreland). This book argues for the possibility of an intelligent designer as an alternative to Darwinian evolution concerning the question of origins. An excellent, but advanced book on the topic.

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Theistic Evolution (Fully Gifted Creation).

_____ *Christianity and the Nature of Science: A Philosophical Investigation*, © 1989 by J.P. Moreland, Baker Book House. Advanced read in the area of philosophy of science.

Morris, Henry M., *The Biblical Basis for Modern Science*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Book House, 1984 Henry M. Morris). Deals with subjects as: science and true Christianity, the physical, earth, and life sciences. Young earth perspective.

O’Leary, Denyse, *By Design or By Chance? The Growing Controversy on the Origins of Life in the Universe*, © 2004 Augsburg Fortress, Augsburg Books. A lucidly written account by a journalist who tackles the relevant issues concerning the culture war of ideas regarding Darwinian naturalism and Intelligent Design as a contending scientific movement. A superb introduction indeed!

Wells, Jonathan, *Icons of Evolution: Science or Myth? Why much of what we teach about evolution is wrong*, © 2000 by Jonathan Wells, Regnery Publishing, Inc., Washington D.C. Over and again, Wells demonstrates that what the naturalist has branded as “fact” is actually a “farce.” And while said reality does not dis-prove a naturalistic world-view, in the high halls of academia *propaganda—or indoctrination*, rather than *education* is taking place.

_____ *The Politically Incorrect Guide to Darwinism and Intelligent Design*, © 2006 by Jonathan Wells, Regnery Publishing, Inc. An amazingly entertaining, informative, and provocative account concerning the debate over Darwinism and Intelligent Design. His short, concise treatments of the relevant data are exceedingly helpful in order to get a good snapshot of the issues without compromising the substantive matters.

Specialized Focus

Atheism

Copan, Paul & William L. Craig Editors, *Contending with Christianity’s Critics: Answering New Atheists & Other Objectors*, © 2009 Copan & Craig, B&H Publishing Group, Nashville, Tennessee. An apologetics book focused on answering contemporary challenges to the Christian faith concerning: *God’s existence, Jesus’ Historicity, and Christian Doctrine’s Coherence*. Some articles were more useful to me than others, but overall a good source.

Antony Flew with Roy Abraham Varghese, *There is (A) No God: How the World’s Most Notorious Atheist Changed His Mind*, Harper Collins Publisher, © 2008. This resource reveals how one of the top influential thinkers of the 20th century converted to Theism, not Christianity. Good resource.

Gregory Koukl, *The New Atheists: Ambassadors Guide Series* from Stand To Reason, is an accessible no frills little booklet that weeds out the tedious argumentation philosophers engage (which is appropriate often) but unfortunately overwhelms the average reader and discouragement sets in. Not here. Greg simply but not simplistically addresses key issues that my teenage children can understand. To express the difficult in said manner is an art indeed. © 2009 by Gregory Koukl

Relativism/Post Modernism/Pluralism

Beckwith, Francis J. & Gregory Koukl, *Relativism: Feet Firmly Planted in Mid-Air*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Book House, 1998 by Francis J. Beckwith & Gregory Koukl. This book tackles the issue of postmodernism as it relates to moral relativism. The authors are clear, concise, and witty in presenting their arguments.

Copan, Paul, “*True For You, But Not For Me*” *Deflating the Slogans That Leave Christians Speechless*,

- (Bethany House Publishers, 1998 by Paul Copan). A great primer on dealing with the relativistic ideas permeating 21st century western culture.
- Groothuis, Douglas, *Truth Decay: Defending Christianity Against the Challenges of PostModernism*, (Downers Grove, Illinois: Intervarsity Press, 2000 Douglas Groothuis). An excellent treatment of the cultural trends in America and abroad, regarding relativism's effect on the secular and sacred. Especially helpful is the appendix on the decaying effects television has on the church and the Culture.
- Guinness, Os, *Time for Truth: Living Free in a World of Lies, Hype, & Spin*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Books, 2000 by Os Guinness). A sociological read on the current crisis in Western society. The author offers penetrating insights into the dangers of a postmodern treatment of truth. Ultimately, the conclusion is that ideas matter and at the core truth is indispensable.
- Gregory Koukl, *Postmodernism: Ambassadors Guide Series* from Stand To Reason, is an accessible no frills little booklet that weeds out the tedious argumentation philosophers engage (which is appropriate often) but unfortunately overwhelms the average reader and discouragement sets in. Not here. Greg simply but not simplistically addresses key issues that my teenage children can understand. To express the difficult in said manner is an art indeed. © 2009 by Gregory Koukl
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- Kreeft, Peter, *How To Win The Culture War: A Christian Battle Plan For A Society In Crisis*, (Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 2002 Peter Kreeft). The author, with Catholic flavor, explains where Western culture is at and emphasizes that the greatest weapon Christians have is God's truth and love to win the culture war.
- Miscellaneous**
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- Greg Koukl, *Tactics: A Game Plan for Discussing Your Christian Convictions*, © 2009 Gregory Koukl, Zondervan, Grand Rapids, Michigan. An incredibly practical book for evangelism that is desperately needed in our day today. An adroit, compelling, innovative, and humorous account of engaging non-believers.
- _____, *Ancient Words: Reflections on the Reliability and Proper Use of Scripture*, © 2011 by Gregory Koukl, Stand To Reason. In this book Koukl articulates some very big ideas concerning the reliability of Scripture and how we are to proceed both exegetically and hermeneutically. The strength among other things here is that much like Sproul, Greg condenses difficult concepts into chewable, usable bites from which the average reader can derive great benefit.
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- Moreland/Issler, *In Search of a Confident Faith*, © 2008 Moreland/Issler, Intervarsity Press: Downers Grove, Illinois. This book covers the many obstacles we as a Christians confront on our journey

of faith. Both our heads and hearts must overcome challenges that are realized in a believing community context. Good read, especially the area of believing prayer practice.

Moreland, J.P., *Love God With All Your Mind: The Role of Reason in the Life of the Soul*, (NavPress, 1997 by J.P. Moreland). This book establishes the importance of reason to honor God as a disciple in the world. Moreland considers among other things, how we can develop a Christian mind, why this issue matters, what the Christian mind looks like, and how to recapture the mind in the local church.

_____ *The God Question*, Harvest House Publishers: © 2009 J.P. Moreland. A look at not only who the God of Scripture is, but how he is to be known especially through Jesus Christ. At the end of the book he notes ways of building intimacy with God. Especially interesting to me was his testimony and where his journey with Jesus has brought him.

Nash, Ronald H., *Worldviews in Conflict: Choosing Christianity in a World of Ideas*, (Zondervan Publishing House, 1992 by Ronald H. Nash). A concise read on a critical apologetic subject.

_____ *Great Divides: Understanding the Controversies That Come Between Christians*, © 1993 by Ronald H. Nash, NavPress. An excellent though dated book regarding the things that make for conflict among believers. He has a way of being centrist in his handling of issues and in my view models a helpful way to not only understand but also engage our brothers in Christ.

Pearcey, Nancy, *Total Truth: Liberating Christianity from Its Cultural Captivity*, © 2004, 2005 by Nancy Pearcey, Crossway Books, Wheaton, Illinois. This text is a superb resource for understanding worldviews, the current of naturalism that pervades Western civilization, and the need for Christians to love God with their minds as they graciously and skillfully engage the secular city's strongholds.

_____ *Finding Truth: 5 Principles for Unmasking Atheism, Secularism, and Other God Substitutes*, © 2015 by Nancy Pearcey, Published by David C. Cook. Excellent sequel to *Total Truth*.

Postman, Neal, *Technopoly: The Surrender of Culture to Technology*, ©1992 by Neal Postman, A Borzoi Book, Publisher A. Knopf, Inc. A penetrating critique on technology, its history, developments, and effects. Postman shows how the deification of these technologies "technopolys", have dehumanized much of Western civilization. He offers the "Great Conversation" as a means to educate our youth demonstrating the coherence between past and present thinkers and the consequences of their ideas.

Samples, Kenneth, *World's Apart: Putting Christian Truth Claims to the World View Test*, Baker Books, Grand Rapids, Michigan, © 2007 by K.R. Samples. Superb job dealing with how a worldview so intricately affects what people believe, why people believe and if said beliefs rationally and existentially satisfy the human experience. An excellent resource for high school, college student, and anyone that cares about the *thought life*.

_____ *Without a Doubt: Answering the 20 Toughest Faith Questions*, Baker Books, Grand Rapids, Michigan, © 2004 by K.R. Samples. A great read on objections to the faith that are *readable*, *useful*, and *lucidly* written. An excellent resource for high school and college student.

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Barber, Cyril J. & Robert M. Krauss, Jr., *An Introduction to Theological Research: A Guide for College and Seminary Students*, (University Press of America, 2000). This book is an indispensable resource for those endeavoring to build a solid theological library. The authors discuss and consider general reference works, Bible study resources, Old and New Testament word studies, on-line searching, and much more.

Loscalzo, Craig A., *Apologetic Preaching: Proclaiming Christ to a Postmodern World*, (Inter-Varsity Press, 2000 by Craig A. Loscalzo). Without compromising the Gospel's essence, this work considers how to reach the culture in which we live, by using apologetic sermons that connect with people. A fine source for preachers, teachers, and Sunday school workers.

Weston, Anthony, *A Rulebook for Arguments*, 3rd Edition, (Hackett Publishing Company, 2000 Anthony Weston). A little book packed with dynamite. It covers the basic elementary principles for using logic in argumentation on the written page, and also helpful in pointing out a good, from a bad argument.

Biblical Studies

Biblical Language Sources

Greek:

Grammatical Focus

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Braun, Frank X., *English Grammar for Language Students*, (Ann Arbor, Michigan: 1947 by Frank X. Braun, Ph.D.) A very helpful little book to clean out the grammatical cobwebs of the language student's mind.

Burton, Ernest DeWitt, *Syntax of the Moods and Tenses in New Testament Greek*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Kregel Publications, 1900 Ernest D. Burton). A good aid for exegesis and translation.

Clapp, Philip S., Friberg Barbara & Timothy, *Analytical Concordance of the Greek New Testament: Volume 1 Lexical Focus*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Book House, 1991 Baker Book House Company). This text is to be used in conjunction with the AGNT and speeds up the exegetical process.

Detzler, Wayne A., *New Testament Words in Today's Language*, (Wheaton, Illinois: Victor Books, 1986 by SP Publications Inc.). Offers in every entry a word's meaning, Biblical usage, and provides helpful illustrations to more clearly explicate the point.

Friberg, Barbara & Timothy, *Analytical Greek New Testament*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Book House, 1981 Baker Book house Company). This is the complete text of the UBS Greek New Testament with an interlinear grammatical analysis of each word. This volume (a.k.a. AGNT) speeds up the exegetical process.

Greenlee, Harold J., *A Concise Exegetical Grammar of New Testament Greek*, Revised Fifth Edition, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1986). Deals with the etymology and syntax of Greek words. Especially helpful is its brevity and clarity e.g., in dealing with the many uses of the *Genitive case*. It's practical, not exhaustive and for that it's welcomed.

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- Translation of New Testament Greek*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: The Zondervan Publishing Company, 1975 by Andrews University). A helpful tool for reading and translating NT Greek Words. Background in basic Greek grammar required.
- Machen, J. Gresham, *New Testament Greek For Beginners*, (The Macmillan Company, 1923). Book is geared to the student with no prior study of New Testament Greek or for the one that needs an elementary refresher on the subject.
- Metzger, Bruce M., *A Textual Commentary on the Greek New Testament*, (German United Bible Society, 1975). Book deals with New Testament textual variants. A must for translation and exegesis.
- Moule, C.F.D., *An Idiom Book of New Testament Greek*, (Cambridge University Press, 1990 edition). This text aids translation by considering the syntax of the passages covered.
- Moulton, Harold K., *The Analytical Greek Lexicon: Revised 1978 Edition*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1978 by The Zondervan Corporation). A helpful grammatical tool for parsing and declining words.
- Mueller, Walter, *Grammatical Aids for Students of New Testament Greek*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1972 by William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company). Elementary understanding of Greek is required.
- Rienecker, Fritz/ Cleon Rogers, *Linguistic Key to the Greek New Testament*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1980 the Zondervan Corporation). This text not only gives lexical assistance but also provides grammatical instruction. Moreover, by referencing other grammars and lexicons it speeds up the exegetical process.
- Robertson, A.T., *A Grammar of the Greek New Testament in Light of historical Research*, (Nashville, Tennessee, 1934 by Ella Broadus Robertson). An extensive treatment of the varied aspects of NT Greek grammar.
- _____, *Word Pictures in the New Testament, 6 Volumes*, (Nashville, Tennessee: Broadman Press, 1930 Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention). By providing grammatical, syntactical, and lexical information of each New Testament book, the author provides rich exegetical insights, without being too technical. English readers can access with little Greek background.
- Schmoller, Alfred, *Pocket Concordance to the Greek New Testament*, (1938, 1989 German Bible Society). A helpful non-cumbersome book that deals with words and their usage.
- Summers, Ray, *Essentials of New Testament Greek*, (Nashville, Tennessee: Broadman Press, 1950 Broadman Press). An introductory text on New Testament Greek language and usage.
- Trent, Richard C., *Synonyms of the New Testament: Studies in the Greek New Testament*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Reprinted June 1985). A valuable tool for understanding how words are used in various contexts. Greek background required.
- Zerwick, Max S.J., *A Grammatical Analysis of the Greek New Testament, Unabridged 3rd Revised Edition*, (Editrice Pontificio Istituto Biblico, Roma 1988) and it's companion *Biblical Greek* (1963 E.P.I.B. Roma) help one understand the grammatical and syntactical usage of New Testament words.
- Lexicons/Dictionary's**
- John R. Alsop, *An Index To the Revised Bauer-Arndt-Gingrich Greek Lexicon*, Second Edition by Gingrich & Danker, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, Regency Library, 1981 by Zondervan). This index makes using the BAGD fast and efficient when locating specific words in their context.

- Bauer, Arndt, Gingrich & Danker, *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature*, Second Edition (University of Chicago Press, Chicago and London, 1957, 1979 University of Chicago). This is a standard lexicon (a.k.a. BAGD) for NT Greek students and professors alike. It deals with Classical, New Testament, and the church Father's Greek usage. Greek background necessary.
- Balz, Horst & Gerhard Schneider, *Exegetical Dictionary of the New Testament, Volumes 1-3*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1990 by William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Reprinted January 1994). These books deal with a Greek words' usage in context and notes cognate words and their textual References. Greek background required.
- Brown, Colin, General Editor, *The New International Dictionary of New Testament Theology, Volumes 1-3*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1981 by Zondervan Publishing House, 6th Printing). This dictionary has can be mined by scholars, those in advanced theological studies, and people with little technical theological knowledge. Features like the glossary of terms, Scripture and subject index, and the alphabetized entries, enhances the sets' usefulness.
- Gingrich & Danker, *A Shorter Lexicon of the Greek New Testament*, (University of Chicago Press, 1983 by The University of Chicago). This book deals with the basic lexical information on New Testament words from BAGD. Greek background necessary.
- Kittel, Gerhard & Gerhard Friedrich, *Theological Dictionary of the New Testament, Volumes 1-10*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1964 Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company). A monumental work in the treatment of religious and theological words. While considerable focus is placed on Greek theological terms, Old Testament Hebrew terms are considered as well. The 10th volume index makes finding Scripture references and words an easy experience. English readers can use it well, those with a Greek background can better use it.
- Liddell & Scott, *Greek-English Lexicon*, New Edition Stewart Jones and Roderick McKenzie, (New York, Clarendon Press: Oxford University Press, 1992 edition). A classic lexicon that covers Greek usage from the classical period on through the NT. Greek background needed.
- Louw, J.P. & Nida, E.A., *Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament Based on Semantic Domains*, Second Edition Volumes I, II, (New York, United Bible Societies, 1988, 1989 United Bible Societies). Explicates how NT words are used and focuses on how in a given language, said words or phrases can be translated, so as to be loyal to the original text, while enhancing it's contemporary usage in meaning. Greek background is preferable, but the index makes usage for the neophyte attainable.
- Metzger, Bruce M., *Lexical Aids for Students of New Testament Greek*, (Published by the Author, Distributed by the Theological Book Agency, Princeton New Jersey, 1983). Helps students see among other things, the frequency of a word's usage, and provides helpful mnemonic memory devices.
- Spicq, Ceslas, *Theological Lexicon of the New Testament, Volumes 1-3*, Translated and Edited by James D. Ernest, (Peabody, Mass.: 1994 by Hendrickson Publishers, Inc.). Both scholars and non-specialists can access the massive information contained in these volumes. Of the many attractive features, the footnotes and bibliography seem prominent.

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- Botterweck, Johannes G. & Helmer Ringgren, *Theological Dictionary of the Old Testament, Volumes 1-7*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1974 by William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company). The counterpart to Kittel's New Testament voluminous work. An excellent exegetical and lexical tool. Hebrew required for maximum benefit.

- Brown, Francis, Driver, and Briggs, *The New Brown Driver, Briggs, Gesenius Hebrew and English Lexicon with an Index Containing the Original Aramaic*, (Peabody, Mass.: Hendrickson Publishers, Inc., 1979 by J.P. Green Sr.). This lexicon is keyed to Strong's Concordance and makes lexical study easier. A standard Hebrew resource for many generations. Elementary Hebrew helpful.
- Davidson, B., *The Analytical Hebrew and Chaldee Lexicon*, (Samuel and Sons Ltd. New York: Harper and Brothers). This lexicon has in the beginning a short section on verbs and their functions, names, etc.
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- Girdlestone, Robert B., *Synonyms of the Old Testament: Their Bearing on Christian Doctrine*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1983). The companion volume to the synonyms of the New Testament volume. Good resource on key words e.g., "God's Names, Redemption," etc.
- Harris, Laird R., *Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament, Volumes 1-2*, (Moody Press, Chicago: 1980 by the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago). A conservative Evangelical compilation of a words usage and theological significance. Keyed to Strong's Concordance, these two volumes can be readily used by novices in biblical Hebrew.
- Holladay, William L., *A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1971 by E.J. Brill, Leiden, Netherlands). A shorter lexicon has the advantage helping the student find words more easily than a more exhaustive text.
- VanGemeren, Willem A., General Editor, *New International Dictionary of Old Testament Theology & Exegesis, Volumes 1-5*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1997 by Willem A. VanGemeren). This set compliments its New Testament counterpart by Colin Brown. Excellent resource.
- Wigram, George V., *The New Englishman's Hebrew/Aramaic Concordance*, (Peabody, Mass.: Hendrickson Publishers, Inc., 1984 by J.P. Green Sr.). This text is to be used in conjunction with Strong's Concordance and BDB. A good resource for bible students, elementary Hebrew helpful.
- Wilson, William, *Wilson's Old Testament Word Studies*, (McLean, VA: Mac Donald Publishing Company). An easy to use word study resource for the Old Testament. Reader needs no Hebrew background.

Hermeneutics

- Adler, Mortimer J. & Van Doren, Charles, *How To Read a Book: The Classic Guide to Intelligent Reading*, (Simon and Schuster, 1940 by Mortimer Adler, 1972 by Mortimer Adler and Charles Van Doren). The best book of which I'm aware that considers how to read every genre of literature skillfully. This book is essential for anyone's library.
- Carson, D.A., *Exegetical Fallacies*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Book House, 1984 by Baker Book House). An excellent resource for teachers and pastors who continuously teach Scripture, but often make simple and avoidable logical errors in their interpretation of texts.
- Fee, Gordon D. & Douglas Stewart, *How To Read The Bible For All It's Worth: A Guide To Understanding The Bible*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1982 by The Zondervan Corporation). This work focuses

on issues surrounding good Bible exposition. It is helpful to both scholar and student alike.

Fee, Gordon D., *New Testament Exegesis: A Handbook For Students And Pastors*, (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: The Westminster Press, 1983 Gordon D. Fee). This companion volume to D. Stewart's work on the Old Testament is an excellent resource for studying the New Testament. Especially helpful is Fee's guide to full exegesis, or his short guide for sermon exegesis.

_____, *Gospel And Spirit: Issues in New Testament Hermeneutics*, (Peabody, Mass: 1991 by Hendrickson Publishers, Inc.) In this book, Fee considers some critical hermeneutical issues facing Evangelicals today and how our interpretation affects practical living.

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Stewart, Douglas, *Old Testament Exegesis: A Primer For Students And Pastors*, Second Edition, Revised and Enlarged. (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: The Westminster Press, 1984 by Douglas Stewart). An excellent resource for studying the Old Testament. Especially helpful is Stewart's guide to full exegesis, or his short guide for sermon exegesis.

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Archer, Gleason L., *Encyclopedia of Bible Difficulties*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1982 by the Zondervan Corporation). A great resource for understanding textual difficulties from Genesis to Revelation. Theologically and practically sound.

DeMoss, Matthew S. & J. Edward Miller, *Zondervan Dictionary of Bible and Theology Words*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan, 2002 by DeMoss & Miller). This text is an easy to use fast reference work with concise definitions. A good resource for beginners.

Elwell, Walter A., Editor, *Evangelical Dictionary of Theology*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1984 by Baker Books). This one volume dictionary is an indispensable tool for students of theology, pastors, and the novice. This volume deals with systematic theology and the creedal formulations of the church. The entries while not exhaustive are generally thorough, coupled with bibliographies at the end of each entry makes the further study of topics more facile.

_____, *Evangelical Dictionary of Biblical Theology*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Baker Books, 1996 by Walter A. Elwell). Decidedly evangelical in its treatment of topics, this volume emphasizes the theological message of the biblical writers. A indispensable companion volume *Evangelical Dictionary of Theology*.

_____, *Topical Analysis of the Bible*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1991 Baker Books). This volume restricts it's analysis to thirteen major doctrines of Scripture (e.g., God, Christ, the Holy Spirit, etc.). Especially helpful is that the scriptures are quoted in full—from the NIV, not abbreviated references.

Harrison, Everett F., General Editor, *Baker's Dictionary of Theology*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1960 by Baker Book House). While this volumes is somewhat "dated", nonetheless the scholarship is some of the finest from 20th century evangelicals. A very good conservative resource.

Tenney, Merrill C., General Editor, *The Zondervan Pictorial Encyclopedia of the Bible, Volumes 1-5*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1976 by The Zondervan Corporation). A solid conservative treatment of biblical subjects.

New Testament Emphasis

Evans, Craig A., and Stanley E. Porter, Editors, *Dictionary of New Testament Background: A Compendium of Contemporary Biblical Scholarship*, (Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 2000 by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship). This resource pulls together a plethora of data from the Dead Sea Scrolls to ancient geographical perspectives. Excellent resource.

Green, Joel B., Scot McKnight, I. Howard Marshall, Editors, *Dictionary of Jesus and The Gospels: A Compendium of Contemporary Biblical Scholarship*, (Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 1992 by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship). This volume is the first of those following its scholarship and insight. A must resource for students, pastors, scholars and laypersons.

Hawthorne, Gerald F., Ralph P. Martin, Daniel G. Reid, Editors, *Dictionary of Paul and His Letters: A Compendium of Contemporary Biblical Scholarship*, (Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 1993 by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship). The student, pastor and scholar of New Testament studies can mine this *Summa* of Pauline theology. Excellent resource.

Martin, Ralph P. and Peter H. Davids, Editors, *Dictionary of The Latter New Testament And Its Developments: A Compendium of Contemporary Biblical Scholarship*, (Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 1997 by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship). This source deals with early Christian history, literature, theology, practice and much more. Excellent resource.

Old Testament Emphasis

Alexander, T. Desmond and David W. Baker, Editors, *Dictionary of the Old Testament Pentateuch: A Compendium of Contemporary Biblical Scholarship*, (Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press, 2003 by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship). This edition considers issues of origins, the covenant(s), textual historical criticism, and much more. Excellent resource.

General

Carson, D.A., Douglas Moo & Leon Morris, *An Introduction to the New Testament*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1992 by D.A. Carson, Douglas J. Moo, and Leon Morris). The book not only considers introductory notes to each book, but the authors offer an outline of each as well.

_____, *The God Who is There: Finding Your Place in Gods Story*, © 2010 by D.A. Carson, Published by Baker Books. This text is a wonderful overview of redemptive history that's easy to understand, delightfully presented, skillful in its approach, useful for believers and unbelievers alike, great for evangelistic Bible studies, or group study sessions.

_____, *The God Who is There: Finding Your Place in Gods Story, Leaders Guide*, © 2010 by D.A. Carson, Published by Baker Books. Great for helping the discussion groups not get away from the intended meaning of the books focus.

Ligon Duncan, *Fear Not! Death and the Afterlife from a Christian perspective*, © 2008 Ligon Duncan. In this small book the issue of death's presence, its cost, and final vanquishing are considered. Comforting yet sobering

Gilbert, Greg, *What is the Gospel?* Crossway Books, Wheaton, Illinois, © 2010 by Greg Gilbert. A Nine

- Marks Series book dealing with issues deemed essential to the health of the church but unfortunately are today largely neglected by a lot of Evangelicalism. Gilbert emphasized what the Gospel is and is not. Good job, good read.
- Wayne Grudem, *Christian Beliefs: Twenty Basics Every Christian Should Know*, © 2005 by Wayne Grudem, Zondervan, Grand Rapids, Michigan. This is a remedial text great for high school. A bit too sparse I prefer his Systematic Theology text.
- Ladd, George Eldon, *A Theology of the New Testament*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1974 by William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company). A good text dealing with the central message of the New Testament with special emphasis on the meaning, scope, and other aspects of the kingdom of God.
- Leeman, Jonathan, *Reverberation: How God's Word Brings Light, Freedom, and Action to His People*, © 2011 by Jonathan Leeman, Moody Publishers, Chicago. Book's focus: the primacy of the Word in all things for the church and the individual.
- Muller, Richard A., *Dictionary of Latin and Greek Theological Terms: Drawn Principally from Protestant Scholastic Theology*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1985 Baker Book House Company). A helpful work for not only understanding theological terms, but especially for understanding Protestant theology.
- _____, *The Study of Theology*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1991 by Richard A. Muller). This work considers two major concerns: the place biblical hermeneutics obtains within the "theological encyclopedia." And the implications of exegesis within biblical, historical, systematic, and practical theology. Must reading for those desiring to grow in their knowledge of God and understanding of how the various disciplines can aid the student in said task.
- John Piper, *A Hunger For God: Desiring God Through Fasting and Prayer*, © 1997 by John Piper, Crossway Publishers. This book was especially moving in the Isaiah 58 passage which speaks of fasting as a means to doing justice.
- _____, *Think: The Life of the Mind and the Love of God*, © 2010 by John Piper, Crossway Books. An earnest plea for believers both the scholar like the *non*-reader to humbly consider God's honor in their learning, reading, *thinking*. Good read together with Moreland's *Love God with All Your Mind*, for truly all believers.
- Sproul, R.C., *Chosen By God: Know God's Perfect Plan For His Glory and His Children*, Tyndale Publishers, © 1986 RC Sproul. This book is worthy of consideration when the issue of Divine sovereignty and man's free will are considered. Again, Sproul communicates difficult concepts into a user friendly manner.
- _____, *Reason to Believe: A Response to Common Objections to Christianity*, Zondervan Publishers, © 1978 by GL Publications. Sproul aptly communicates difficult concepts into user friendly terms. He is a joy to read and worthy of emulation.
- _____, *Willing to Believe: The Controversy Over Free Will*, Baker Books, © 1997 by R.C. Sproul. Sproul aptly communicates the controversy over Free Will and considers the great minds that have wrestled with this issue as it pertains to the *Fall* and its *noetic effects on humanity*. Clearly one's view of original sin impacts their view of the *ordus salutis*.
- _____, *What is Reformed Theology: Understanding the Basics*, © 1997 by R.C. Sproul, Baker Books: Grand Rapids, Michigan. In his typical fashion, Sproul explains in condensed form the essential core of Reformed theology. His historical theological insight and the way in which he explains TULIP is very helpful. Excellent source

- _____, *The Consequences of Ideas: Understanding the Concepts that Shaped Our World*, © 2000 by R.C. Sproul, Crossway Books: Wheaton Illinois. A nice read on the philosophy that shaped Western thought. It's a good introductory text for the history of philosophy.
- Thielicke, Helmut, *A Little Exercise for Young Theologians*, Translated from the German by Charles L. Taylor, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: William B Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1962 by Helmut Thielicke). This little book focuses on the dangers and attitudes young theologians must avoid to promote, rather than to hinder, the cause of Christ within the church and among non-believers.
- John Thompson, *Modern Trinitarian Perspectives*, Oxford University Press: © 1994 John Thompson. I didn't find this particularly helpful. Perhaps because of the academic-ness of the book—lots of end notes, etc.. It stated more than any other thing what others position obtains on Trinity doctrine from either East or West position. **(157 pages)**
- Dr. Bruce Ware, *Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: Relationships, Roles, and Relevance*, Crossway Books, Wheaton Illinois, © 2005 Bruce Ware. A masterful work of cogent biblical argumentation written at a popular practical level. Ware demonstrates the doctrine of the Trinity as the basis for understanding *how* the three distinct persons who are God relate to each other, in love, delight in their distinctive roles and how we as believers are to emulate them in our horizontal relationships. **(158 pages)**

Systematic Theology

Volumes

- Erickson, Millard J., *Christian Theology: Unabridged One Volume Edition*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1983, 1984, 1985 by Baker Book House). An excellent one-volume treatment of systematic theology that both scholars and students can mine. Evangelical persuasion.
- Fruchtenbaum, Arnold G., *Israelology: The Missing Link in Systematic Theology*, (Tustin, California, Ariel Ministries Press, 1993 by Ariel Ministries). A good resource.
- Grudem, Wayne, *Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Biblical Doctrine*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1994 by Wayne Grudem). Theologically sound and practically useful, this volume makes theology accessible to the masses without considering the many nuances of the topics treated. A good evangelical resource.
- Hodge, Charles, *Systematic Theology, Volumes 1-3*, (Hendrickson Publishers: 2nd Printing July 2001). An Evangelical work.
- Mueller, John Theodore, *Christian Dogmatics: A Handbook of Doctrinal Theology for Pastors, Teachers and Laymen*, (St. Louis, Mo: Concordia Publishing House, 1934). A Lutheran work.
- Strong, Augustus Hopkins, *Systematic Theology: A Compendium and Common Place Book Designed for the Use of Theological Students*, (Philadelphia: The Judson Press, 1907 by A.H. Strong).
- Thiessen, Henry C., *Lectures in Systematic Theology*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1949 Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company). Good work, Evangelical in persuasion.
- Turretin, Francis, *Institutes of Elenctic Theology, Three Volumes*, Translated by George M. Giger & Edited by James T. Dennison, Jr., (Phillipsburg, New Jersey: Presbyterian and Reformed Publishing Company, 1992 by James T. Dennison, Jr.). A giant in Reformed theology, Turretin's work has richly impacted theologians in the Reformed tradition since his time. Theologically adroit and

practically adept.

Miscellaneous

Randy Alcorn, *If God is Good: Faith in the Midst of Suffering and Evil*, Multnomah Publishers, © 2009 by Eternal Perspectives Ministries. Alcorn does a good job of considering the issue of suffering from a theological, philosophical, sociological and practical level. Its outline form can be very useful for use in a sermon series or a group study.

Bauman, Michael, *Pilgrim Theology: Taking The Path of Theological Discovery*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1992 by Michael Bauman). This text considers the varied ways in which theological discovery is prevented and how to avoid said pitfalls.

Berkhof, Louis, *The History of Christian Doctrines*, (The Banner of Truth Trust: 1937 Louis Berkhof). This text is handbook on the development of major Christian doctrines from the Patristic era to the Modern one. This volume is intended for use in conjunction with Berkhof's systematic theology work. An excellent resource for all students of theology.

_____. *Summary of Christian Doctrines*, (Grand Rapid, Michigan: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1938 Louis Berkhof). This text is an excellent primer for systematic theology. Excellent for Sunday School use, personal study. It's a "Cliffs Notes" of Christian doctrine.

Edmund Clowney, *Called to the Ministry*, © 1964 Edmund P. Clowney, Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia. In this small book Clowney sets forth the issue of calling as it pertains to every Christian and the specific calling God places on His people for acts of service. Useful and needs to be re-read.

Bob Kauflin, *Worship Matters*, © 2008. Kauflin skillfully compiles his theology of *worship* as it pertains to congregational singing: be it the choosing of songs, instruments, teams, themes, etc., and delightfully breaks down misconceptions of *what* worship is and is not. An excellent resource for any one leading the congregation or small group in the *singing* segments of the worship gathering.

Timothy Keller, *The Prodigal God: Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith*, Dutton Publishers, © 2008 Timothy Keller, is a masterful representation of the Father's heart and the Son's love for lost sinners—the religious and the immoral!

_____, *Ministries of Mercy: The Call of the Jericho Road* is a book that focuses on the Gospel Call to be salt and light in our cities through acts of mercy. Much thought and detail is given to how we as the church can work for social justice as the gospel of the kingdom is central to all our works. P&R Publishing, 2nd Edition © 1997 by Timothy Keller

_____, *Generous Justice: How God's Grace Makes Us Just*, © 2010 by Timothy Keller, Published by Dutton. Much of this book is akin to *Ministries of Mercy*.

Nash, Ronald H., *The Concept of God: An Exploration of Contemporary Difficulties with the Attributes of God*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1983 The Zondervan Corporation). This small book is packed with philosophical theological issues regarding the attributes of God. Though it was written over twenty years ago, the issues are still being dealt with today, especially with the "Openness of God" wave sweeping through many Evangelical sectors of the Church.

J.I. Packer & Mark Dever, *In My Place Condemned He Stood: Celebrating the Glory of the Atonement*, Crossway Books, Wheaton Illinois, © 2007 Packer and Dever. Theological essays on how the penal substitutionary atonement is at the heart of the Gospel. Highly recommended reading on the subject. Especially helpful to me is the Epilogue where under, *The Centrality of the Cross* section there's a quick reference to the "Lamb of God" passages OT/NT for dialogue and teaching purposes.

Plantinga, Cornelius Jr., *Not The Way It's Supposed to Be: A Breviary of Sin*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: 1995 by Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company). This work focuses on the *descriptive* aspects of sin as it manifests in people's lives. A valuable contemporary sketch of mankind's maladies.

John Piper, *Filling Up The Afflictions of Christ: The Cost of Bringing the Gospel to the Nations in the Lives of Tyndale, Judson, and Paton*, "The Swans Are Not Silent Series: *Book Five*" © 2009 John Piper, Crossway Publishers. Another excellent biographical resource of how the lives of sinful extraordinary men make a difference for God's glory to the peoples of the earth.

Tedd Tripp, *Shepherding A Child's Heart*, © 1995 Tedd Tripp, Shepherd Press, Wapwallopen, PA. This is a book dealing with parenting that appears to be very biblically based. It's the resource SGF used for our parenting class.

Tullian Tchividjian, *Unfashionable: Making a Difference in the World by Being Different*, © 2010 by William Graham Tullian Tchividjian, Multnomah Books, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Book focused on thinking Christianly as we engage the culture without being biblically and culturally irrelevant.

Commentaries

Old Testament

C.F. Keil and F. Delitzsch, *Commentary on the Old Testament*, Vol. 1-10, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co. Reprinted 1986 Edition). Excellent commentary set and to get more out of these volumes a knowledge of Latin and Hebrew is helpful.

New Testament

Morris, Leon, *The New International Commentary on the New Testament*, "The Gospel According To John" (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co. 1971) The beginning and advanced Bible student can profit much from this text.

General Editor: Frank E. Gaebelin, *The Expositors Bible Commentary*, Volume 1-12 (© 1976 by the Zondervan Corporation, Grand Rapids, Michigan).

Audio

Audio: Lectures / Seminars / Books on Tape

Books on Tape

Avo Audio, (14 Chapters) *Foxes Book of Martyrs*; The first two chapters have been overwhelmingly humbling. People's love for Christ sees them being brutally tortured—women, children, and men. At times it's hard to listen. One thing is certain—these saints loved Jesus! Another thing is apparent—we have it so well with our protected borders, running water, and supermarkets that to complain, while human, is dastardly. (489 MB hours)

John Calvin, (18 Chapters) *Institutes Of The Christian Religion*: Book One—*Of The Knowledge Of God The Creator*, (118 MB Hours). Calvin's arguments supporting his theology are biblically saturated. The audio sounds like its computer read.

Christian Audio, (8 Parts) *Paradise Lost*; The book was somewhat uninteresting not because it is not well written—though extremely verbose—but perhaps because of the type of literature—seemed allegorical/fictional—account of struggle between the reign of God and the forces of Satan. He

- took much of his material from the Bible itself. Moreover, at times it was hard to hear the content while pressure washing. I never would have read this book unless it had been read to me. (258 MB hours)
- _____, **Green Key: New Testament** is the NT being read in this translation. For the most part it's a good rendering of the biblical text but there are areas that try to "soften" the harshness of the original. Tends to use gender neutral language. Good to hear the Scriptures! (429 MB Hours)
- _____(11 Parts) Dante's: **The Divine Comedy**; This read was not as interesting as *Paradise Lost*, but in all fairness it was good. The imagery of hell, those present and the decreed punishments that obtain were very intriguing. I'm glad that it was audio, otherwise never would I read this text. (357 MB hours)
- _____(7 Parts): **The Shack**; Seems to have an aversion to hierarchical system of ruling, that if one is in a loving relationship, then the need for authority is not needed. This also, seems to downplay the distinct roles the Trinity obtain "economy of the Trinity" and seg-ways into roles between male and female. Lucidly written, excellent story, writer and reader. At the conclusion, the author explains the origin and reason for writing the "Shack" and wants everyone to know the *real Jesus*, which I took to mean—his understanding was the *proper* one to have. Interesting. (234 MB hours)
- _____(16 Parts) **The Brothers Karamazov** the story of a Russian family where among other things religion, family feuding and the problem of evil are treated. Fascinating, intriguing and laborious to hear. (527 MB hours)
- Jim Belcher, (11 Part) **Deep Church** is a book dealing with how in our culture we may be the church in a way that is both connected to the past and preparing us for the future. He argues that the "Emergent" and "Traditionalist" churches are speaking past each other, have strengths and weaknesses, and advances a third way of doing church. Need to get the book, am also listening to series a second time (196 MB Hours)
- Francis Chan, (12 Part) **The Forgotten God** is a book that deals with the person of the Holy Spirit and how his presence and power while available to the believer is egregiously neglected by so many professing believers. Very convicting and moving. Need to hear again. (114 MB Hours)
- D.A. Carson, (14 Lectures) **The God Who is There: Finding Your Place in Gods Story**, © 2010 by D.A. Carson, Published by Baker Books. This CD is a wonderful overview of redemptive history that's easy to understand, delightfully presented, skillful in its approach, useful for believers and unbelievers alike, great for evangelistic Bible studies, or group study sessions. Saw it with my family as a means to discuss the gospel. (814 MB Hours)
- Timothy Keller, (16 Chapters) **Ministries of Mercy: The Call of the Jericho Road** is a book that focuses on the Gospel Call to be salt and light in our cities through acts of mercy. Much thought and detail is given to how we as the church can work for social justice as the gospel of the kingdom is central to all our works. Heard twice and ordered book. (261 MB hours)
- Dave Ramsey, **The Total Money Makeover: A Proven Plan For Financial Fitness**, 3 CD's, © 2003 Thomas Nelson Publishers. This CD series considers how to practically get out of debt and stay out. Did with the family on Sunday afternoons. Very instructive and confrontive.
- R.C. Sproul, (6 Parts) **The Holiness of God**, read by AVO Audio. Book needs to be read, very well done however and the holiness of God in light of my experience of it, my sinfulness, and His transcendence were deeply moving to me. (178 MB Hours)
- Ten-Boon, Corrie, **The Hiding Place** by Christian Audio is the intriguing story of a Dutch Reformed family that goes through the horrors of WWII and whose home is used as a refuge for Jews hiding from the Nazis. It's a story that considers the problem of evil, civil disobedience, ultimately being

a Christian in a sinful, horrific world. The story often left me crying in how God's love triumphs over darkness. (256 MB Hours)

Lectures , Seminars & Sermons

Acts 29, (41 Sessions) **2004/05 Church Planters Seminars**: Pastor's. Listening to the varied topics and their presentation left me feeling at times very discouraged—I'm not a church-planter, I struggle sharing the gospel with people and frankly I'm at a loss concerning the purpose for which God has created me (337 MB hours)

_____, (10 Lectures) **2008 Church Planters Seminars: Dwell Conference in London**, Mark Driscoll another fine job of motivating the men to rise up and lead as men in the home, church, market place. (121 MB hours)

_____, (79 Lectures) **2008 Church Planters Seminars: Dallas, Chicago, Raleigh, Seattle, St. Louis, New York Conferences**. Driscoll, and company dealing with issues that concern the church, culture, and how to reach out in a way that is faithful to Scripture while being creative in form. (1.5 GB hours)

_____, (17 Sessions) **Excerpts**: Pastor's answer differing questions in the "panel" setting of diverse seminars. Helpful, but too short. Better to have the context of the seminar to get more out of it I presume. (34.4 MB hours)

Jerram Barrs, (26 Lectures) **Apologetics and Outreach** is from the Worldwide Classroom of *Covenant Seminary*. Very informative, Jerram Barrs manner of communication is extremely winsome and worthy to be emulated. He understands the need to bring special revelation and general revelation in the area of Gospel proclamation. (304 MB Hours)

_____, (23 Lectures) **Francis Schaeffer: The Early Years** is from the Worldwide Classroom of *Covenant Seminary*. Very informative, Jerram Barrs manner of communication is extremely winsome and worthy to be emulated. His experiential insight into the life of the Schaeffer's is very helpful (338 MB Hours)

_____, (23 Lectures) **Francis Schaeffer: The Later Years** is from the Worldwide Classroom of *Covenant Seminary*. Very informative, Jerram Barrs manner of communication is extremely winsome and worthy to be emulated. Unfortunately, some of the messages did not record completely. And would often leave me frustrated. (385 MB Hours)

Dr. Belcher, (34 Lectures) **Isaiah through Malachi**; an **RTS** virtual class. Again, tough to listen to, a bit dry. Perhaps of where I'm at spiritually, yet I plowed through it. (701 MB hours)

Jerry Bridges, (5 Part Lecture) **The Pursuit of Holiness** are lectures that focus on God's holiness as the ground for ours and how we are to make it our aim to be holy as God is because of His worth. Very encouraging and humbling. Listen to it again (64 MB Hours)

David Calhoun, (35 Lectures) **Ancient and Mediaeval Church History** is from the Worldwide Classroom of *Covenant Seminary*. Very informative (277 MB Hours)

DA Carson, (14 Part Lectures) **The God Who is There** is a lecture series on God's self-revelation through the Bible. Series for believer and non-believer alike. A great overview of redemptive history in a user friendly manner. (814 MB Hours)

_____, (22 Lectures) **Varied Messages in the Gospel of Matthew** is an excellent resource for how the writer of this gospel communicates Christ's life. (464 MB Hours)

Biblical Manhood/Womanhood, (14 Lectures) **Biblical Manhood and Womanhood** compiled CD with

- Grudem, Piper, and Driscoll address the issues pertaining to biblical manhood and womanhood. (203 MB hours)
- CBMW, (30 Lectures) *Building Strong Families in Your Church* varied speakers consider the theological, sociological, and practical out-workings in the home and church of a complementarian view of men and woman. (338 MB hours)
- _____, (4 Lectures) *Seminars 2005* President of CBMW speaks on the home and masculinity. (42.2 MB hours)
- _____, (35 Lectures) *Seminars 2009 through 2006* varied speakers consider the theological, sociological, and practical out-workings in the home and church of a complementarian view of men and woman. (407 MB hours)
- Dr. Chamblin, (24 lessons) *C.S. Lewis* an RTS virtual class. This lecture series is rich with a realistic view of Lewis the man, the scholar, the prophet and mostly—the Christian. Lewis is portrayed as perhaps the most significant Christian thinker of the 20th century because of his erudition, and his ability to relate the most treasured of realities—Christ Jesus and his kingdom, in a way a child can grasp. I was also left with the need to read much more of Lewis than *Screwtape Letters & Mere Christianity*. (264 MB hours)
- _____(48 lessons) *Gospels & Acts* an RTS virtual class. This lecture series is a gem of information where Dr. Chamblin considers the literary genre, particular difficulties, core themes, and critical studies assaults on said books. (493 MB hours)
- _____(47 lessons) *Pauline Epistles* an RTS virtual class. This lecture series is a gem of information where Dr. Chamblin considers the literary genre, particular difficulties, core themes, and critical studies and assaults on said letters. (482 MB hours)
- Bryan Chapell, (24 Lectures) *Christ-Centered Preaching*, a Covenant Theological Seminary series on the subject of preparing, and preaching sermons. This is a very thorough treatment of the enterprise of public preaching and the many things it concerns. Excellent resource, must re-listen to the content. *Heard twice* (387 MB Hours)
- Dalbey, Dr. Mark, (20 Lectures) *Christian Worship, PT 330* Covenant Theological Seminary is a series encompassing many aspects of Christian worship Including: A Biblical and Historical Overview, the Regulative Principle, Gospel-Centered worship, the Worship Leader, Contemporary Issues and the Sacraments. Helpful resource. (400 MB Hours)
- Desiring God Ministries Pastors Conference 1995*, (7 Lectures) *Pastor's Conference: Expository Preaching*, Speakers: Carson, Piper, Armstrong, Nichols. Armstrong and Nichols in particular deeply moved me concerning God's "call" to the ministry and the requisite holiness that must accompany it. Nichols, a missionary in third world countries really gripped my heart with reaching out to people. In particular as it pertains to my gifting and passions. (128 MB hours)
- _____*Pastors Conference 1996* (7 Lectures) *Pastor's Conference: The Pastor and His Study*, Speakers: Murray, Piper, Hughes, Love. Bookwork is the activity in the workshop of the pastor. Piper's talk on Luther was very stirring and confronted my sluggish tendencies—especially when it comes to study. Murray was quite instructive historically as pertains to maintaining doctrinal purity with a gracious demeanor. (126 MB hours)
- _____*Pastors Conference 1997* (7 Lectures) *Pastor's Conference: The Privilege of Ministry*, Speakers: Macarthur, Piper, Whitney, and Wilson. Macarthur's messages were very impacting using Paul's example of one who through trial learned to trust God without compromising his gifting or message, coupled with deep interpersonal pain—the Corinthian church. (113 MB hours)

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- Pastors Conference 1998 (7 Lectures) ***Pastor's Conference: The Gospel in Contemporary Culture***, Speakers: Wells, Piper, Verwer, Begg. This series was especially helpful in dealing with a view to missions strategizing, and the temptations to compromise we confront as ministers of the Gospel. (131 MB hours)
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- Pastors Conference 1999 (5 Lectures) ***Pastor's Conference: Preaching Today: The Almost Forgotten Task***, Speakers: Boice, Mahaney, Piper. I was encouraged to focus on gospel preaching—Christ centered preaching in all that I preach. (96.1 MB hours)
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- Pastors Conference 2000 (5 Lectures) ***Pastor's Conference: Courage in Christian Ministry***, Speakers: Mohler, Tson, Piper and Patterson. An especially pertinent conference that dealt with the difficulties and heart-wrenching realities of being God's privileged slave. Brother Tson particularly and Patterson generally touched my soul with their life experiences of possible martyrdom on the one hand and academic persecution at Hope College on the other hand. (133 MB hours)
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- Pastors Conference 2001 (7 Lectures) ***Pastor's Conference: God, Psychology and Christian Care***, Powlison, Hulse, Livingston, and Piper. The need to be biblically sound and personally in touch with people's greatest need—God! Is what these talks emphasized. Also encouraging was Powlison's base for counseling: God of Scripture. Very helpful and challenging to me personally in the area of helping loved one's work through tough issues. (134 MB hours)
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- Pastors Conference 2002 (6 Lectures) ***Pastor's Conference: Sovereignty of God and Soul Dynamic***, Ellis, Huerta, and Piper. The "Black" issue in culture and its relevance to all people groups cannot be underestimated. Ellis does a good job of painting the picture of why the Black Church has its distinctive worship practices and so forth—these are deeply rooted in their history of suffering as a people. Excellent! (106 MB hours)
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- National Conference 2003 (10 Lectures) ***National Conference: A God Entranced Vision of All Things***; Dever, N. Piper, Murray, Whitney, Packer, Storms and Piper. This conference was on Jonathan Edward's life and legacy 300 Year Anniversary (death or birth?). Stunned and very disturbing my life compared to this giant in the faith. His mind I'll never possess, but his discipline I can in some measure imitate. God help me. Excellent! (146 MB hours)
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- Pastors Conference 2004 (7 Lectures) ***Pastor's Conference: Money, Ministry, and the Magnificence of Christ***. Alcorn, Piper, Perry, Mueller, and Verwer. My heart was pleasantly warmed and stirred to look again at the state of my soul. Particularly Verwer moved me with his passion and transparent brokenness. (215 MB hours)
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- National Conference 2004 (7 Lectures) ***National Conference: Sex and the Supremacy of Christ***; Piper, Mohler, Dever, McCulley, Mahaney Carol and C.J., Patterson. My heart was stirred, pricked, bothered, and longing to glorify God in my sexuality. Another conference edifying to my soul. (316 MB hours)
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- Dr. ?, (24 lessons) ***Theological Foundations***, an RTS virtual class. Covers Reformed theology and the tenets of Calvinism. Well done with graciousness and an "anointed" Scottish or Irish accent. (235 MB hours)
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- Dr. ?, (37 Lectures) ***Judges through the Poets***; an RTS virtual class. I hit a lull listening to this series, but regardless good information. Would be a good idea to re-listen. (391 MB hours)
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- Dr. John Frame, (36 lessons), ***History of Philosophy and Christian Thought***, an RTS virtual class. Covers philosophy from the *Pre-Socratics* to *Present Day*. (423 MB hours)
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- (26 lessons) ***Christian Apologetics***, an RTS virtual class. Covers *God's knowledge, Historical*

- _____. *Methodology and Specific topics*. Excellent resource. (305 MB hours)
- _____. (43 Lectures) **Pastoral and Social Ethics**, an RTS lecture series. This was a very heavy class to hear, much about ethics and the Reformed approach I never considered. I do appreciate his care of articulating Scripture's supremacy in the area of ethics and especially helpful was his treatment of the ten commandments. (934 MB hours)
- Dr. Douglas Groothuis, (43 Lectures) **Christian Apologetics** from Monergism. A very extensive, well presented, different angled approach to this enterprise. He is very engaging and thus for me, easy to listen. I've heard these lectures all the way through at least (4 x's) (426 MB Hours)
- Grudem, Wayne, (17 Lectures) **Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Christian Doctrine**, DOCTRINE OF GOD: Incommunicable, Communicable Attributes and Trinity; classes taught at his church. His manner of teaching and tone are not just pleasant but also very biblically insightful. (368 MB hours)
- _____. (4 Lectures) **Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Christian Doctrine**, DOCTRINE OF CREATION: Creation—evolutionary worldview is considered, Providence—divine sovereignty and human freedom is considered; and Miracles is covered. His manner of teaching and tone are not just pleasant but also very biblically insightful. (93 MB hours)
- Dr. James, (32 lessons) **Church History I**, an RTS virtual class. Covers from the *Early Church* to *Anselm*. Excellent resource *Historical Theology* (316 MB hours)
- _____. (32 lessons) **Church History II**, an RTS virtual class. Covers from *Anabaptists* to *Zwingli*. Excellent resource *Historical Theology* (609 MB hours)
- Dr. Jones, (24 Lectures) **Christian Ethics** is from the Worldwide Classroom of *Covenant Seminary*. Dr. Jones manner in teaching this subject is humble and adept. Very helpful. (247 MB Hours)
- Dr's Keller & Clowney, (35 Lectures) **Preaching Christ to a Postmodern World**; an RTS virtual class. An intriguing and challenging seminar on preaching Christ from the whole Bible. I need to listen again and take notes. There's much here that I need to consider in order to become a better preacher and communicator. (611 MB hours)
- Timothy Keller, (31 Sermons) **DISCOVERY: What is the Gospel** is a slew of messages concerning the nature of the Gospel, its wondrous gift to us, and its contrast from this world. Personally, many of the messages pierced my soul and stripped me bare. How deeply I need God is more apparent than ever (660 MB hours)
- _____. (10 Sermons) **DISCOVERY: Can I Believe** is a series on barriers people face when confronting Christianity. Apologetic in nature. (132 MB hours)
- _____. (23 Sermons) **DISCOVERY: Who is God** is a series on the doctrine of God. Again, Keller's way of putting things is very creative without compromising biblical content. (480 MB hours)
- _____. (16 Sermons) **GROWTH: A New Kind of Community** is a series on the doctrine of the church and how we are to be in the community and in the world. Keller has an uncanny way of bringing the work and person of Jesus to bear on every subject. (323 MB hours)
- _____. (13 Sermons) **GROWTH: How Do I Experience God** is a series on the doctrine of walking with God. This series has been most penetrating to me in a time in my walk where I feel so dry and weak. It was a God send. (255 MB hours)
- _____. (17 Sermons) **GROWTH: How Does the Gospel Change Me?** is a series on the doctrine of walking with God. This series has been most penetrating to me in a time in my walk where I feel

- so dry and weak. It was a God send. (329 **MB hours**)
- _____, (11 Sermons) **MISSION: Movement** is a series on the doctrine of Missions, how the community is to both see itself in light of the Gospel and how through church planting the city can experience justice and healing. (167 **MB hours**)
- _____, (14 Sermons) **MISSION: Renewal** is a series on how the Christian worldview impacts a holistic approach to work, vocation, and the benefitting of the city. Need to hear these again also. (290 **MB hours**)
- _____, (13 Sermons) **MISSION: Service** is a series on the doctrine of the Gospel and how it applies to renewal in the city. Included in this renewal is the championing of justice for the poor. It really challenged me. Need to hear these again. (244 **MB hours**)
- Dr. Kistemaker, (45 lessons actually heard 31) **Hebrews to Revelation** an **RTS** virtual class. This lecture series is a gem of information where Dr. Kistemaker considers the literary genre, particular difficulties, core themes, and critical studies and assaults on said letters. His manner of communication can often seem “wooden”, but the man is a treasure house of biblical knowledge. (453 **MB hours**)
- Monergism, (39 Lectures) **Prayer Topics #1: Varied Speakers** on the subject of prayer. I was especially moved by Eric Alexander’s messages on the priority of prayer by the Gethsemane prayer of Jesus. I was moved to commune with the LORD more through these talks. (344 **MB Hours**)
- Ronald Nash, (31 Lectures) **Apologetics**, a **RTS** series on the subject of Christian Apologetics. An excellent presentation of Christian defenses that’s wittingly delivered and refreshingly different (206 **MB Hours**)
- _____, (24 Lectures) **Advanced Worldview Analysis**, a **RTS** series on the subject of worldview analysis where he spends much time considering economic structures and how they form the way we live in society. The lectures unfortunately were not in their entirety it seemed from the recording I heard. (154 **MB Hours**)
- Dr. Peterson, (20 lessons) **Counseling**, an **RTS** virtual class. Covers areas from introduction to *Pastoral Counseling to Calling and Career Counseling*. Peterson’s manner is both adroit and relational— theologically, philosophically, and with current issues. His Biblical Theology/Systematic Theology governs his approach to knowledge and practice. Worth listening to over and over again especially *Calling & Career Counseling*. (435 **MB hours**)
- _____(24 lessons) **The Educational Ministry of the Church** an **RTS** virtual class. Great class, horrible audio. It really was a shame but that’s the breaks. (295 **MB hours**)
- _____, **RTS Lectures (20) Pastoral Counseling** was a refreshing class focusing on considering the worldview from which counseling is approached today, underscores the necessity for being Christ centered in our counseling, admits that there’s some things that can be learned from secular counseling, but that at the end of the day the only hope for true healing people can have is ultimately in Christ. His adroit manner and concern for people comes through his communication. (435 **MB Hours**)
- Dr. Rana, (14 Lectures) Reasons To Believe Series **The Cell’s Design** is a series of interviews that cover the books contents on pod-cast. He considers the work of Behe and builds on it. Book will probably be better than these lectures (152 **MB hours**)
- Vaughn Roberts, (15 Sermons) *Assorted Sermons From St. Ebbes Church in Oxford, England, Volume 1*. His delivery is winsome, his detail not bogged down, his passion is Christ. Very encouraging. (79.8 **MB Hours**)

- _____, (111 Sermons) *Assorted Sermons From St. Ebbes Church in Oxford, England*, Volume 1. His delivery is winsome, his detail not bogged down, his passion is Christ. Very encouraging (A lot of **Hours**)
- RC Sproul, (35 Lectures) *The Consequences of Ideas: Thales to Modern Philosophers*. Sproul has a way of teaching difficult concepts in understandable and practical ways. This introduction to philosophy may be a great supplement to the HS Course *Life's Big Questions*. (211 MB hours)
- Tedd Tripp, (20 Lectures) on *Parenting* have really impacted my understanding of the core motivations I must endeavor to target with my children—their hearts, not their behavior. Because out of the heart comes behavior, not the converse. Very eye opening and humbling (201 MB Hours)
- Westminster Profs., (13 Part Lectures) *Apologetics* the professors focused on Van Till's Pre-suppositional Apologetics, more than once it was declared how badly his views have been skewed by Evangelicals, and given special attention to the noetic effects of sin and how we should approach the non-believer—special revelation should be assumed. Really good, need to listen to again. (431 MB Hours)
- Williams, Dr. Michael (23 Lectures) *God and His Word*, a CTS Systematic Theology series where: the doctrine of Scripture, including inspiration, inerrancy, and the principles of biblical interpretation, as well as the person, works, and attributes of God and His relation to the created order, are covered. Especially helpful is Williams manner of considering the attributes of God mainly as a person who can be known through Christ, rather than a list of attributes to be remembered. (281 MB Hours)