

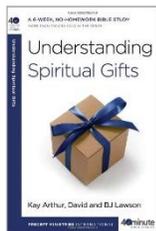
Powered By God, Built On Faith

(Suggested Bible Studies)



[The Shelter of God's Promises](#) by Shelia Walsh

You know God's promises, but are they for you, are they for now, are they for this? If you look to your circumstances alone, it may seem that God has forgotten you. But He hasn't. He can't. And He wouldn't even if He could. God is the only promise maker who is always a promise keeper. And God's promises will never fail you!

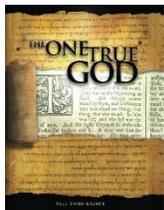


[Understanding Spiritual Gifts](#) - Kay Arthur, David and BJ Lawson

The subject of spiritual gifts can seem complicated: Who has spiritual gifts-"spiritual people" or everybody? What are spiritual gifts anyway?

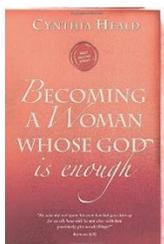
Understanding Spiritual Gifts takes you straight to God's Word to discover answers from the Gift-Giver Himself. As you dig into Bible passages about God's design for each of us, you'll find out that spiritual gifts aren't complicated--but they are life-changing.

Here you will uncover what spiritual gifts are, where they come from, who has them, how they are received, and how they work within the church. As you study, you will have a new vision for how you can use your God-given gifts to bring hope to your home, your church, and a hurting world.



[One True God](#) by Paul David Tripp

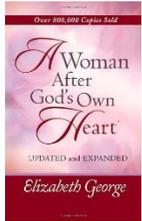
The One True God is a unique kind of workbook, intending not just to teach truth but to lead to an encounter with the living God. Beneath that goal the book aims to ground believers in orthodox Christian theology and the actual contents of the Bible. Students are encouraged to thoughtfully draw conclusions from the Scriptures rather than to merely absorb the principles, inferences, and illustrations set before them by the author. Through God's own words and under various systematic headings the book unfolds the nature of God. In this way the reader is set on a firm foundation and will readily perceive the centrality and high authority of biblical doctrine within the Christian life. It is the author's conviction that the study of doctrine is both an intellectual and devotional discipline. Therefore students are guided throughout the study to think through and apply the truths they learn, meditating on the demands of Scripture for their heart and mind.



[Becoming a Woman Whose God Is Enough](#) by Cynthia Heald

No matter what a woman's age, circumstance, or level of spiritual maturity, author Cynthia Heald comes alongside and helps her lay aside her burdens and embrace the person she was created to be. As a woman grows toward peace with God, she will grow in the joys of loving others, waiting on God with hope, and trusting Him fully. She will be encouraged to respond to God's invitation to deeper intimacy with Him. This eleven-

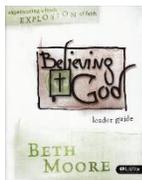
week Bible study helps women discover that God is enough. He is a mighty God, and He longs for His people to plumb His depths and be blessed by who He is.



[A Woman after God's Own Heart](#) by Elizabeth George

Experience real peace and joy as you follow God in every area of your life--and become a woman after His heart. With warmth and grace, Elizabeth George shares practical, scriptural insights on how you can pursue God's priorities when it comes to...

- your husband--foster a deep commitment to serving and honoring him
- your children--pray faithfully for them and teach them God's Word
- your home--create a nurturing atmosphere and a tapestry of beauty
- your walk with the Lord--grow through love of Scripture and in spiritual maturity
- your ministry--learn to reach out and be a blessing to others



[Believing God](#) by Beth Moore

Step-by-step guidance for a leader to facilitate this 10-week women's Bible study based on Isaiah 43:10 that explores what it means not only "to believe in God" but "to believe Him." The bride of Jesus Christ in our generation is nearly paralyzed by unbelief. God is calling His bride to a fresh and lavish anointing of faith. Through studying the lives of Abraham,

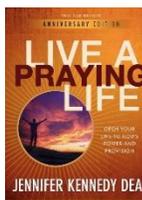
Moses, and others as examples of persons who believed God, Beth encourages women to deepen their own trust in God and receive a fresh word from Him



[A Woman's Heart God's Dwelling Place](#) by Beth Moore

step-by-step guidance for a leader to facilitate this 10-week women's Bible study. Explore the fascinating account of the building of the Old Testament tabernacle, the significance of its intricate design, its pivotal role in God's eternal plan, the grand fulfillment of its purpose by Jesus Christ, and its variety of meanings for your walk with God today.

Perhaps no Old Testament event so dramatically illustrates God's persistent desire to relate to His children as the building of the tabernacle in the wilderness. Through the tabernacle God initiated a deeper relationship with His Chosen People by bringing reconciliation and revealing His glory. And certainly, no Old Testament event so richly prefigures the coming of the true Tabernacle, Jesus Christ. You will be challenged to prepare your heart, like the holy of holies, to become a home for His love and glory — a dwelling place for the Most High God.



[Live a Praying Life](#) by Jennifer Kennedy Dean

This revised, 13-week study goes back to the biblical basics of prayer, cleaning out myths about prayer to rev up a powerful, ongoing connection to God that can invigorate every aspect of a Christian's life. The author tackles the complex theological questions: If God is sovereign, why pray? If prayer is not a way to change God's mind, what is it?

Prayer is a way, Jennifer illustrates, for God to send His power and provision into the world through His people. The study takes a detailed look at prayer's purpose, process, promise, and practice.



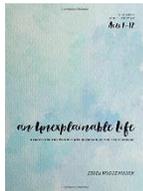
[Why Do You Believe That](#) by Mary Jo Sharp

Video-driven women's Bible study to equip women to have meaningful spiritual conversations.

How confident do you feel in talking about matters of faith? Do you wish you could express your beliefs with more effectiveness? Join Mary Jo in a practical seven-session study and gain understanding and skill to share Jesus effectively with others, and you'll better understand your own faith. Answer your doubts, build your confidence, and start changing lives.

Participants who take this Bible Study will:

- Become equipped to share their faith and defend their faith conversationally with friends and neighbors
- Feel more confident in their faith and knowing what they believe
- Feel comfortable representing Christ to someone who doesn't believe
- Take the mystery and fear out of sharing their faith
- Gain education, build a firm foundation, and be practically equipped



[An Unexplainable Life: Recovering the Wonder & Devotion of the Early Church](#) by Erica Wiggerhorn

In only fifty days Peter was radically transformed. He went from being a man in the shadows denying even knowing Jesus, to a man boldly proclaiming the resurrection of Jesus in the middle of the temple courts. How did the change occur? And more importantly, can such a change occur within us—today, in the here and now?

For fifty days, I invite you to dwell in the first twelve chapters of Acts. Here we meet Peter face-to-face and encounter the source of his power. We become challenged to grab hold of that power ourselves, believing that God wants to do something in and through us that is unexplainable apart from Him. Let's give God fifty days and see what He might do.

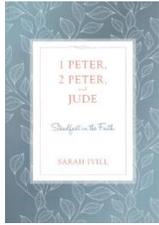
The purpose of this study isn't simply to reiterate a message. (You can find many studies on Acts.) Our purpose is to reignite a movement of the power of the Holy Spirit in each of us individually and in our churches collectively. Are you ready?



[Good to Great in God's Eyes](#) by Chip Ingram

Do you dream of making an eternal impact in the Kingdom of God? Do you long for a spiritual breakthrough? If you're looking to go to the next level or get a fresh infusion of faith and spiritual passion, then look no further than this group study.

Learning how to apply the practical principles in this study will jump-start your relationship with God by providing you with a practical and Biblical means to go from good to great ... in God's eyes.



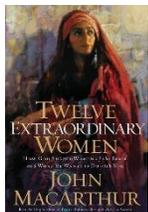
1 Peter, 2 Peter, and Jude: Steadfast in the Faith by Sarah Ivill

The New Testament books of 1 and 2 Peter and Jude offer a timeless message of hope to Christians living in a post-truth culture that seeks salvation in false, futile saviors and rejects Jesus Christ as the way, the truth, and the life. In this ten-lesson Bible study, Sarah Ivill provides students of Scripture with an in-depth look at these three small epistles filled with great truths that will encourage them to remain steadfast in the faith in a world hostile to believers.

Each lesson includes the following features:

- An introduction that provides a big picture of the lesson, showing how it applies to your mind, heart, and hands.
- A personal study section of questions that helps you dig deeply into God's Word.
- A section that puts it all together, which aims to answer any lingering questions you may have after your personal study.
- A section of questions for helping students study the Word of God in community.

Useful for either individual or group studies, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, and Jude includes suggestions for Bible study leaders, an overview of the history of redemption and revelation, and an overview of what it means to study Christ in all of Scripture.



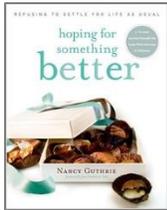
Twelve Extraordinary Women: How God Shaped Women of the Bible and What He Wants to Do with You by John MacArthur

Celebrated for their courage, vision, hospitality, and spiritual giftedness, it's no wonder women were so important to God's place revealed in the Old and New Testaments. It wasn't their natural qualities that made these women extraordinary but the power of the one true God whom they worshipped and served. Their struggles and temptations are the same trials faced by all believers at all ages.

In Twelve Extraordinary Women by John MacArthur, you'll learn more than fascinating information about these women, you'll discover--perhaps for the first time--the unmistakable chronology of God's redemptive work in history through their lives. These women were not ancillary to His plan, they were at the very heart of it. And this book includes their amazing stories.

The twelve women studied in this book are Eve (Genesis 3:20), Sarah (Genesis 11-25), Rahab (Matthew 1:5-6), Ruth (Ruth 1-4), Hannah (1 Samuel 1-2), Mary, the mother of Jesus (Luke 1-2), Anna (Luke 2:36-38), The Samaritan woman (John 4), Martha and Mary (Luke 10:38-42), Mary Magdalene (Matthew 27:56-61), and Lydia (Acts 16:14).

This edition includes a Study Guide for group discussion.

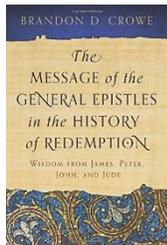


[HOPING FOR SOMETHING BETTER](#) by Nancy Guthrie

Many people live with a simmering sense of disappointment with life, with their own walk of faith, and with God. Doubts about whether or not Jesus is the only way to know God in a culture where his distinctives have become fuzzy and where radical discipleship is becoming costly only add to our discontent. The book of Hebrews was written to such people—people who needed to see clearly what makes Jesus worthy of our worship, worthy of our vigorous pursuit, worthy of our very lives.

Hoping for Something Better is an in-depth, understandable and practical Bible study of the book of Hebrews for the modern heart and mind. In the end, readers will more fully grasp the person of Jesus Christ, what he has done for us, and why we should invest our lives in drawing near to him.

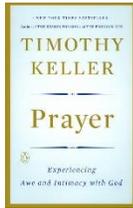
Hoping for Something Better is written for long-time believers who will appreciate the depth, to not-yet-believers who will appreciate the clarity and authenticity. The book includes questions to be answered on the text for a complete and thorough study of the book of Hebrews.



[The Message of the General Epistles in the History of Redemption](#) by Brandon D. Crowe

The message of the later books of the New Testament, particularly James through Jude (also known as the General Epistles), is often disregarded due to their brevity and location at the end of the canon; understandably, many focus more on major collections such as the Gospels and Paul's epistles. However, the General Epistles have much to contribute to our understanding of salvation and Christian living, and we ignore them at our own peril. Therefore, the purpose of this book is to provide an exposition of the message of salvation in these letters, along with their implications for the church today.

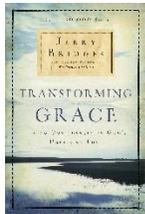
This volume considers the theological richness (indicative) and practical relevance (imperative) of the New Testament General Epistles—James, 1-2 Peter, 1-3 John, and Jude—within a redemptive-historical framework. Although not the most familiar portion of the New Testament, these letters have much to say about the call to discipleship in the twenty-first century. Part One (“Scallywags”) focuses on 1 Peter. Here we see that Christ has accomplished salvation and that his life provides the pattern for faithful living in the face of worldly opposition. In Part Two (“Scoffers”) the truth of 2 Peter and Jude is set in contrast to the destructive doctrines of scoffing false teachers. Part Three (“Schisms”) reflects on the challenges of the Johannine letters that address who belongs to God’s family. Finally, Part Four (“Wisdom”) looks at the practical teaching of James in light of the teaching of Jesus. (8 Chapters)



[Prayer: Experiencing Awe and Intimacy with God](#) By Timothy Keller

Christians are taught in their churches and schools that prayer is the most powerful way to experience God. But few receive instruction or guidance in how to make prayer genuinely meaningful. In *Prayer*, renowned pastor Timothy Keller delves into the many facets of this everyday act.

With his trademark insights and energy, Keller offers biblical guidance as well as specific prayers for certain situations, such as dealing with grief, loss, love, and forgiveness. He discusses ways to make prayers more personal and powerful, and how to establish a practice of prayer that works for each reader.

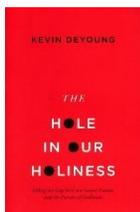


[Transforming Grace: Living Confidently in God's Unfailing Love](#) by Jerry Bridges

Funny how the riches of God's grace seem to run out the moment we're saved! From then on, we tend to base our relationship with him on our accomplishments rather than on his unconditional acceptance. In "*Transforming Grace*" Bridges addresses the "performance treadmill" and what can happen when we forget how generous God's grace is. Come back to the love that's waiting for you, and learn to trust His grace every day.

The freedom in falling short of God's standard relies on His gift of grace. Unfortunately, too many of us forget the free offer. We spend our lives basing our relationship with God on our performance rather than on Him. We see our identity as never being worthy of His love.

Isn't it time to stop trying to measure up and begin accepting the transforming power of God's grace? The product of more than 10 years of Bible study, Navigator author Jerry Bridges' *Transforming Grace* is a fountainhead of inspiration and renewal that will show you just how inexhaustible and generous God's grace really is. A discussion guide is available separately (ISBN 9781600063046).



[The Hole in Our Holiness: Filling the Gap Between Gospel Passion and the Pursuit of Godliness](#) By Kevin DeYoung

If there is a hole in our holiness, Pastor DeYoung believes it's that evangelicals don't look particularly holy! Looking to right the balance between grace and legalism, he presents an engaging exploration of sanctification and union with Christ. Discover the critical relationship between being joined to Jesus and being like him. Includes end-of-chapter discussion questions. 160 pages, softcover from Crossway.

Given the lack of holiness in our culture today, DeYoung presents a popular-level treatment of sanctification and union with Christ, helping readers to see what matters most—being like Jesus. Now available in paperback.