Suggested Studies for Groups | Spring 2020

Clear Creek Community Church small groups follow a planned approach to life change to ensure that every person who joins a group will have a foundational understanding of what it means to seek to follow Jesus in full devotion. That intentional approach emphasizes a Christian's spiritual growth is always anchored to the person and work of Jesus (i.e., the gospel). The Spiritual Growth Grid (below) is the heart of our spiritual formation process. The grid is composed of three gospel-centered storylines based upon who God is and what he has done for us in the gospel of Jesus and, consequently, who we are and what we do in Christ.

Because growth in the three gospel storylines is critical for full devotion, all CCCC small groups are required to work through a planned approach for growing in the Spiritual Growth Grid. To help a group function according to this strategy, CCCC has provided this list of approved studies. As a group engages in one of these studies, it is the responsibility of the Navigator(s) to help the group understand how it connects to the Spiritual Growth Grid.

Understanding Christianity

- *Simply Christian* by N.T. Wright
- *Basic Christianity* by John Stott

What's the Gospel?

- *What is the Gospel?* by Greg Gilbert
- *How Good is Good Enough?* by Andy Stanley
- Putting Amazing Back into Grace by Michael Horton
- *The Cross of Christ* by John Stott

Applying the Gospel to Life

- *The Gospel-Centered Life: A Group Study of Galatians* by CCCC
- *Gospel Fluency: Speaking the Truths of Jesus into the Everyday Stuff of Life* by Jeff Vandresteldt
- *Counterfeit Gods* by Tim Keller
- *The Gospel in Life* group study with Tim Keller (DVD + book)

- *The Gospel-Centered Life* by Bob Thune
- *The Discipline of Grace* by Jerry Bridges
- *Saturate* by Jeff Vandersteldt
- *Gospel Transformation Workbook* by World Harvest Mission
- *The Gospel for Real Life* by Jerry Bridges
- *The Prodigal God* by Tim Keller (DVD + study guide)

Spiritual Disciplines

- *Growing in Christ* by J.I. Packer
- *Holiness by Grace* by Bryan Chapell
- *Disciplines for the Christian Life* by Donald Whitney

The Church

- *The Church: A Missional Community* group study by CCCC
- *The Gospel: How the Church Portrays the Beauty of Christ* by Ray Ortlund
- *Built Upon the Rock: The Church* group study by Bobby Jameison
- *The Church* by Edmund Clowney

Church History

- *Church History: The Essential Guide* by Justo Gonzalez
- *Christian History Made Easy* by Timothy Paul Jones
- *Church History* in Plain Language by Bruce Shelley

God

- *Knowing God* by J.I. Packer
- *The Knowledge of the Holy* by A.W. Tozer
- *The Doctrine of God* by John Frame
- *His Love Endures Forever: Reflections on the Immeasurable Love of God* by Garry Williams

Jesus

- *Who is Jesus?* by Greg Gilbert
- *Jesus: Teacher, Servant, and Savior* group study by John Stott Bible Study
- *Seeing and Savoring Jesus Christ* by John Piper
- *The Person of Christ* by Donald MacLeod

Holy Spirit

- *Forgotten God* by Francis Chan
- *Baptism and Fullness* by John Stott
- *Keep in Step with the Spirit: Finding Fullness in Our Walk with God* by J.I. Packer
- *The Holy Spirit* by Sinclair Ferguson

Trinity

- *What is the Trinity?* by R.C. Sproul
- *Delighting in the Trinity* by Michael Reeves
- *The Deep Things of God: How The Trinity Changes Everything* by Fred Sanders

Understanding the Old Testament

- *Introducing the Old Testament: A Short Guide to Its History and Message* by Tremper Longman
- *Introduction to the Old Testament* by Tremper Longman and Raymond Dillard
- *Old Testament Theology* by Bruce Waltke

Understanding the New Testament

- *Introduction to the New Testament* by D.A. Carson and Douglass Moo
- *New Testament Theology* by Thomas Schreiner

Studying the Bible

- *How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth* by Fee and Stuart
- *Grasping God's Word: A Hands-On Approach to Reading, Interpreting, and Applying the Bible* by Duvall and Hays
- *How to Study Your Bible* by Kay Arthur and David Arthur
- *Women of the Word* by Jen Wilkin

Christian Doctrine

- *The Christian Life: A Doctrinal Introduction* by Sinclair Ferguson
- *Christian Beliefs* by Wayne Grudem
- *Core Christianity: Finding Yourself in God's Story* by Michael Horton
- *Systematic Theology* by Wayne Grudem

Biblical Theology

- *God's Big Picture: Tracing the Storyline of the Bible* by Vaughn Roberts
- *Gospel and Kingdom* by Graeme Goldsworthy
- *God Dwells Among Us: Expanding Eden to the Ends of the Earth* by G.K. Beale and Mitchell Kim
- *Kingdom Through Covenant* by Peter Gentry and Stephen Wellum

Apologetics

- *The Reason for God* by Tim Keller
- *Mere Christianity* by C.S. Lewis
- *Confronting Christianity: 12 Hard Questions for the World's Largest Religion* by Rebecca McLaughlin
- Making *Sense of God* by Tim Keller
- *The Case for Christ* by Lee Stroebel

Discipleship

- *Devoted: Discipleship Training for Small Groups* by CCCC Elders
- *Disciples are Made Not Born* by Walter Henrichsen
- *The Complete Book of Discipleship* by Bill Hull
- *The Divine Conspiracy* by Dallas Willard
- *The Cost of Discipleship* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Prayer

- *When You Pray* by Phillip Ryken
- *A Praying Life* by Paul Miller
- Studies in Prayer: Developing a Strong Prayer Life by Tim Keller
- *Prayer and the Knowledge of God* by Graeme Goldsworthy

Counseling

- *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands* by Paul David Tripp
- *Redemption* by Mike Wilkerson
- *Seeing with New Eyes* by David Powlinson

Community

- *Relationships: A Mess Worth Making* by Lane and Tripp
- *Everybody's Normal Till You Get To Know Them* by John Ortberg
- *Total Church* by Tim Chester and Steve Timmis
- *Everyday Church* by Tim Chester and Steve Timmis
- *Life Together* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Conflict Resolution

- *The Peacemaker* by Ken Sande
- *Resolving Conflict* by Lou Priolo
- *Boundaries* by Cloud and Townsend

Generosity

- *Redeeming Money: How God Reveals and Reorients Our Hearts* by Paul Tripp
- *Generosity* by Gordon MacDonald
- *Managing God's Money* by Randy Alcorn
- *Balanced* group study by Andy Stanley
- *Fields of God* by Andy Stanley
- *The Treasure Principle* by Randy Alcorn

Evangelism

- *Reaching the Lost: Evangelism* group study by Bobby Jameison
- *The Heart of Evangelism* by Jerram Barrs
- *Learning Evangelism from Jesus* by Jerram Barrs

- *Gospel 101: Learning, Living, and Sharing the Gospel* by Jeff Dodge
- *Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God* by J.I. Packer
- *No Perfect People Allowed* by John Burke
- *Living a Life on Loan* by Rushaw and Swanson
- *Get Uncomfortable* DVD study by Todd Phillips

Marriage

- *What Did You Expect?* by Paul Tripp
- *The Meaning of Marriage* (study guide available with DVD) by Tim Keller
- *God, Marriage, and Family* by Andreas Kostenberger

Family

- *Choosing to Cheat* by Andy Stanley
- *Disciplines of a Godly Family* by Kent & Barbara Hughes
- *God, Marriage, and Family* by Andreas Kostenberger

Parenting

- *Parenting: 14 Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family* by Paul Tripp
- *Raising Great Kids* by Cloud & Townsend
- *Give Them Grace* by Fitzpatrick & Thompson
- *Grace-Based Parenting* by Tim Kimmel

Gender Roles

- *What's the Difference?* by John Piper
- *Biblical Foundations for Manhood and Womanhood* by Wayne Grudem
- *Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood* by Piper & Grudem

Work

- *Every Good Endeavor* by Tim Keller
- *About My Father's Business* by Regi Campbell
- *Business for the Glory of God* by Wayne Grudem

Men

- *The Man in the Mirror* by Patrick Morley
- *Disciplines of a Godly Man* by Kent Hughes
- *Tender Warrior* by Stu Weber

Women

- *Because He Loves Me* by Elyze Fitzpatrick
- *Feminine Appeal* by Carolyn Mahaney
- *The Legacy of Biblical Womanhood* by Hunt & Thompson
- *Missional Motherhood* by Gloria Furman

End Times/Eschatology

- *The Meaning of the Millennium: Four Views* by George Ladd
- *Surprised by Hope* by N.T. Wright
- *The Bible and the Future* by Anthony Hoekema

Corporate Worship

- *Worship Matters* by Bob Kauflin
- *Rhythms of Grace* by Mike Cosper
- *Engaging with God* by David Peterson

Mercy / Ministry to the Hurting

- *Hole in Our Gospel* by Richard Stearns
- *When Helping Hurts* by Corbett & Fikkert
- *Ministries of Mercy* by Tim Keller

Missional Living

- *A Field Guide for Everyday Mission* by Connelly & Roberts
- *Saturate: Being Disciples of Jesus in the Everyday Stuff* by Jeff Vandersteldt
- *Saturate Field Grasping God's Word: A Hands-On Approach to Reading, Interpreting, and Applying the Bible* by Jeff Vandersteldt and Ben Connelly
- *The Gospel Comes with a House Key* by Rosaria Butterfield

Justice

- *Generous Justice* by Tim Keller
- *When Helping Hurts: How to Alleviate Poverty Without Hurting the Poor…and Yourself* by Brian Fikkert
- *Good News to the Poor: Social Involvement and the Gospel* by Tim Chester

Bible Book Studies

- Clear Creek Resources (purchase at Amazon)
- Redeemer Bible Studies (purchase at gospelinlife.com)
    - Genesis: What Were We Put in the World to Do?
    - Living in A Pluralistic Society: Judges, Daniel & Joseph
    - Gospel of John
    - Evangelism: Studies in the Book of Acts
    - Galatians: Living in Line with the Truth of the Gospel
    - Praying with the Psalms
    - 1 John
    - 2 Timothy
    - Mark
    - Romans

- Good Book Company (thegoodbook.com)
    - Exodus
    - Judges
    - Ruth
    - 1 Samuel
    - 2 Samuel
    - 1 Kings
    - 2 Kings
    - Esther
    - Psalms
    - Ezekiel
    - Daniel
    - Hosea
    - Revelation 2-3
    - Jonah
    - Zechariah
    - Mark
    - Luke
    - John
    - Acts
    - Romans
    - 1 Corinthians
    - 2 Corinthians
    - Galatians
    - Ephesians
    - Philippians
    - Colossians
    - 1 Thess.
    - Titus
    - Hebrews
    - James
    - 1 Peter
    - 1 John
    - 1 John

- John Stott Bible Studies (www.ivpress.com/john-stott-bible-studies)
    - Jesus Christ
    - The Beatitudes
    - Acts
    - Romans
    - Galatians
    - Ephesians
    - 1 & 2 Thessalonians
    - 1 Timothy and Titus
    - 2 Timothy
    - Revelation

- N.T. Wright for Everyone Bible Studies. (https://www.ivpress.com/n-t-wright-for-everyone-bible-study-guides)
    - Matthew
    - Mark
    - Luke
    - John
    - Acts
    - Romans
    - 1 Corinthians
    - 2 Corinthians
    - Galatians
    - Ephesians

- Crossway Bible Studies
  - Genesis
  - Exodus
  - Numbers
  - Leviticus
  - Deuteronomy
  - Judges
  - 1-2 Chronicles
  - 1-2 Kings
  - 1-2 Samuel
  - Ruth and Esther
  - Jonah, Micah, and Nahum
  - Joel, Amos, and Obadiah
  - Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi
  - Jeremiah
  - Joshua
  - Hosea
  - Daniel
  - Isaiah
  - Lamentations, Habakkuk, and Zephaniah
  - Psalms
  - Song of Solomon
  - Proverbs
  - Ecclesiastes
  - Job
  - Ezekiel
  - Ezra & Nehemiah
  - Matthew
  - Mark
  - Luke
  - John
  - Acts
  - Romans
  - 1 Corinthians
  - 2 Corinthians
  - Galatians
  - Ephesians
  - Philippians
  - Colossians and Philemon
  - Hebrews
  - James
  - 1-2 Thessalonians
  - 1-2 Peter and Jude
  - 1-2 Timothy and Titus
  - Revelation

- Living Word Bible Studies
  - 1 & 2 Thessalonians
  - Colossians and Philemon
  - Ecclesiastes and Song of Songs
  - Isaiah
  - Joshua
  - Philippians
  - Colossians and Philemon
  - 1 & 2 Thessalonians
  - 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus
  - Hebrews
  - Nehemiah
  - Proverbs
  - John
  - Psalms, Vol. 1
  - Psalms, Vol. 2
  - James
  - 1 & 2 Peter and Jude
  - The Letters of John
  - Revelation