

New Life Church Community Groups

Available Topical Studies | 2025

Listed in Alphabetical Order by Category

Leaders, request your copy of any of the following resources by emailing Laurie Miller at Ilmiller@newlifechurch.

Top Recommendations for Topical Studies

- Practicing the Way | John Mark Comer
- How to Pray: A Simple Guide for Normal People | Pete Greig
- Love Does: Discover a Secretly Incredible Life in an Ordinary World | Bob Goff
- Counterfeit Gods: The Empty Promises of Money, Sex, and Power, and the Only Hope that Matters | Tim Keller
- Ruthless Trust: The Ragamuffin's Path to God | Brennan Manning
- Chasing Vines: Finding Your Way to an Immensely Fruitful Life Beth Moore

Apologetics

- The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism | Tim Keller
- Making Sense of God: Finding God in the Modern World | Tim Keller
- Mere Christianity | C. S. Lewis
- The Problem of Pain | C. S. Lewis
- The Case for Christ | Lee Strobel
- The Case for Faith | Lee Strobel

Christian Community

- Life Together: The Classic Exploration of Christian Community | Dietrich Bonhoeffer
- Nine Marks of a Healthy Church | Mark Dever
- Resident Aliens: Life in the Christian Colony | Stanley Hauerwas and William H. Willimon
- When the Church Was a Family: Recapturing Jesus' Vision for Authentic Christian Community | Joseph H. Hellerman
- Life of the Beloved: Spiritual Living in a Secular World | Henri Nouwen
- Living into Community: Cultivating Practices That Sustain Us | Christine D. Pohl

Evangelism

- Red Moon Rising: How 24-7 Prayer Is Awakening a Generation | Pete Greig
- Generous Justice: How God's Grace Makes Us Just | Tim Keller
- The Case for Christ | Lee Strobel
- The Case for Faith | Lee Strobel
- The Mission of God | Christopher Wright (influences N. T. Wright's themes)

Grace and Forgiveness

- Forgive: Why Should I and How Can I? | Tim Keller
- The Ragamuffin Gospel | Brennan Manning
- Ruthless Trust: The Ragamuffin's Path to God | Brennan Manning
- The Signature of Jesus | Brennan Manning

Hearing God

- Whisper: How to Hear the Voice of God | Mark Batterson
- The Practice of the Presence of God | Brother Lawrence
- How to Hear God | Pete Greig
- Jesus in Me: Experiencing the Holy Spirit as a Constant Companion | Anne Graham Lotz
- Hearing God: Developing a Conversational Relationship with God | Dallas Willard

Identity and Belonging

- Abba's Child: The Cry of the Heart for Intimate Belonging | Brennan Manning
- The Furious Longing of God | Brennan Manning
- Life of the Beloved: Spiritual Living in a Secular World | Henry Nouwen
- It's Okay Not to Be Okay: Moving Forward One Day at a Time | Sheila Walsh
- Life Without Lack: Living in the Fullness of Psalm 23 | Dallas Willard

Leadership

- Spiritual Leadership: Moving People on to God's Agenda | Henry Blackaby
- Lead Like Jesus | Ken Blanchard and Phil Hodges (with Henry Blackaby's endorsement)
- Leading on Empty: Refilling Your Tank and Renewing Your Passion | Wayne Cordeiro
- Center Church: Doing Balanced, Gospel-Centered Ministry in Your City | Tim Keller
- The Five Levels of Leadership: Proven Steps to Maximize Your Potential | John Maxwell

Marriage and Relationships

- You and Me Forever: Marriage in Light of Eternity | Francis Chan and Lisa Chan
- Love and Respect: The Love She Most Desires, the Respect He Desperately Needs | Emerson Eggerichs
- The Meaning of Marriage: Facing the Complexities of Commitment with the Wisdom of God | Tim Keller
- How We Love | Milan and Kay Yurokovich

Missions and Outreach

- All In: You Are One Decision Away From a Totally Different Life | Mark Batterson
- Things as They Are: Mission Work in Southern India | Amy Carmichael
- Faithful Presence: Seven Disciplines That Shape the Church for Mission | David Fitch
- Love Does: Discover a Secretly Incredible Life in an Ordinary World | Bob Goff
- Dirty Glory: Go Where Your Best Prayers Take You | Pete Greig
- Radical: Taking Back Your Faith from the American Dream | David Platt
- The Great Omission: Reclaiming Jesus's Essential Teachings on Discipleship | Dallas Willard

Money and Finances

- Double Blessing: How to Get It. How to Give It | Mark Batterson
- Counterfeit Gods: The Empty Promises of Money, Sex, and Power, and the Only Hope that Matters | Tim Keller
- The Total Money Makeover: A Proven Plan for Financial Peace | Dave Ramsey
- Jesus and Money: A Guide for Times of Financial Crisis | Ben Witherington III

New Life Pastors' Books

- All Flame: Entering into the Life of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit | Andrew Arndt
- Streams in the Wasteland: Finding Spiritual Renewal with the Desert Fathers & Mothers | Andrew Arndt
- Addicted to Busy: Recovery for the Rushed Sole | Brady Boyd
- Extravagant: Living a Life of Dangerous Generosity | Brady Boyd
- Life Minded: 8 Practices for Belonging to God and Each Other | Brady Boyd
- Remarkable: Living a Faith Worth Talking About | Brady Boyd
- Sons & Daughters: Spiritual Orphans Finding Our Way Home | Brady Boyd
- > Speak Life: Restoring Healthy Communication in How You Think, Talk & Pray | Brady Boyd
- Chasing Wisdom: The Lifelong Pursuit of Living Well | Daniel Grothe
- The Power of Place: Choosing Stability in a Rootless Age | Daniel Grothe

Prayer

- The Circle Maker: Praying Circles Around Your Biggest Dreams and Greatest Fears | Mark Batterson
- Draw the Circle: The 40 Day Prayer Challenge | Mark Batterson
- Dirty Glory: Go Where Your Best Prayers Take You | Pete Greig
- How to Pray: A Simple Guide for Normal People | Pete Greig
- God on Mute: Engaging the Silence of Unanswered Prayer | Pete Greig
- Red Moon Rising: How 24-7 Prayer Is Awakening a Generation | Pete Greig
- Prayer: Experiencing Awe and Intimacy with God | Tim Keller
- The Daniel Prayer: Prayer That Moves Heaven & Changes Nations | Anne Graham Lotz

Spiritual Formation/Discipleship

- The Cost of Discipleship | Dietrich Bonhoeffer
- Crazy Love: Overwhelmed by a Relentless God | Francis Chan
- Forgotten God: Reversing Our Tragic Neglect of the Holy Spirit | Francis Chan
- Practicing the Way | John Mark Comer

- Captivating: Unveiling the Mystery of a Woman's Soul | John and Stasi Eldredge
- Wild at Heart: Discovering the Secret of a Man's Soul | John Eldredge
- The Power to Change: Mastering the Habits that Matter Most | Craig Groeschel
- Abba's Child: The Cry of the Heart for Intimate Belonging | Brennan Manning
- The Ragamuffin Gospel Brennan Manning
- Ruthless Trust: The Ragamuffin's Path to God | Brennan Manning
- Chasing Vines: Finding Your Way to an Immensely Fruitful Life | Beth Moore
- You Are What You Love: The Spiritual Power of Habit | James K.A. Smith
- > The Divine Conspiracy: Rediscovering Our Hidden Life in God | Dallas Willard
- The Great Omission: Reclaiming Jesus's Essential Teachings on Discipleship | Dallas Willard
- Renovation of the Heart: Putting on the Character of Christ | Dallas Willard
- > The Spirit of the Disciplines: Understanding How God Changes Lives | Dallas Willard

Suffering and Hope

- God's Healing for Life's Losses: How to Find Hope When You're Hurting | Robert W. Kellemen
- Hope in Times of Fear: The Resurrection and the Meaning of Easter | Tim Keller
- Walking with God through Pain and Suffering | Tim Keller
- A Grief Observed | C. S. Lewis
- The Problem of Pain | C. S. Lewis
- The Hiding Place | Corrie ten Boom (often referenced in related works)

Work and Vocation

- Every Good Endeavor: Connecting Your Work to God's Work | Tim Keller
- Work: A Kingdom Perspective on Labor | Ben Witherington III

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