# **Christian Education Resources**

# **Recommended Bible Translations**

- *Common English Bible (CEB)* is accessible and gender-inclusive. Good for kids and youth.
- *New Living Translation (NLT)* is accessible and gender-inclusive. Good for kids and youth.
- *New International Version (NIV)* is fairly accessible and largely gender-inclusive. This is the easiest translation to find in bookstores.
- *New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)* is the standard translation used by many United Methodist congregations. It is accessible and largely gender-inclusive.

## Methodist Theology

- Free Online Course: What It Means to be United Methodist
- <u>Top 10 United Methodist Beliefs</u> by Don Adams
- Living Our Beliefs: The United Methodist Way by Kenneth Carder
- <u>This We Believe: The Core of Wesleyan Faith and Practice</u> by Will Willimon
- <u>United Methodist Beliefs: A Brief Introduction</u> by Will Willimon
- <u>Key United Methodist Beliefs</u> by William J. Abraham and David F. Watson
- <u>United Methodist Questions, United Methodist Answers</u> by Belton Joyner
- <u>Methodist Theology Booklets</u>
- <u>Five Means of Grace</u>- Dr. Elaine Heath
- <u>Five Marks of a Methodist</u>- Magrey deVega
- <u>Sermon on the Mount</u>- Dr. Amy-Jill Levine
- <u>The Wesley Challenge</u>- Chris Folmsbee
- <u>Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times</u>- Adam Hamilton
- <u>Half Truths</u>- Adam Hamilton
- <u>The Walk</u>- Adam Hamilton
- <u>Christianity and World Religions</u>- Adam Hamilton
- Click here to view Adam Hamilton's Full Collection
- <u>Fear of the Other: No Fear in Love</u>- Bishop Will Willimon
- <u>This We Believe: The Core of Wesleyan Faith & Practice</u>- Bishop Will Willimon
- <u>Renegade Gospel</u>- Mike Slaughter



## Adult Education Curriculum

## Bible Focused:

- <u>Adult Bible Studies Curriculum</u>- Cokesbury (released seasonally)
- <u>The Invitation Series</u> Various Authors
- <u>Journey Through the Bible Series</u>- Various Authors
- <u>Disciple Bible Study Series</u>- Various Authors
- <u>Learning to Study the Bible</u> L.J. Zimmerman
- <u>Questions Jesus Asked</u> Magrey deVega
- <u>Savior: What the Bible Says about the Cross</u> Magrey deVega
- <u>The Bible Year: A Journey Through Scripture in 365 Days</u> Magrey deVega
- <u>Sermon on the Mount</u>- Dr. Amy-Jill Levine
- <u>Bible Stories for Grown Ups: Reading Scripture with New Eyes</u> Josh Scott
- <u>The Big Picture: Seeing God's Dream for Your Life</u> Jevon Caldwell-Gross & Nicole Caldwell-Gross
- <u>Made for a Miracle</u> Mike Slaughter

## Theme Focused:

- <u>Five Means of Grace</u>- Dr. Elaine Heath
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- <u>Renegade Gospel</u>- Mike Slaughter
- <u>One: A Small Group Journey Toward Life-Changing Community</u>- Nick Cunningham, Trevor Miller
- <u>What's Your Story?</u>- Sarah Heath



#### Lent:

- <u>Seven Words: Listening to Christ from the Cross</u>- Susan Robb
- <u>24 Hours That Changed the World</u>- Adam Hamilton
- <u>Final Words from the Cross</u>- Adam Hamilton

## Advent/Christmas:

- <u>All the Good: A Wesleyan Way of Christmas</u>- Laceye Warner, Amy Valdez Barker, Jung Choi, Sangwoo Kim
- <u>Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent</u>- Amy-Jill Levine
- <u>Awaiting the Already: An Advent Journey through the Gospels</u>- Magrey deVega

## Other Books to Read

- <u>Holy Imagination</u>– Judy Fentress–Williams
- <u>What Is The Bible?</u>- Rob Bell
- <u>The Divine Dance: The Trinity and Your Transformation</u> by Richard Rohr and Mike Morrell
- <u>How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth</u>- Gordon Fee & Douglas Stewart
- <u>Learning to Walk in the Dark</u>- Barbara Brown Taylor
- <u>How to be An Anti-Racist</u>- Ibram X. Kendi
- <u>The Gospel for the Person Who Has Everything</u>- Bishop Will Willimon
- <u>Sinning Like A Christian: A New Look at the 7 Deadly Sins</u>- Bishop Will Willimon
- <u>The Enneagram Series</u>- Beth McCord
- <u>Everything Happens for a Reason and Other Lies I've Loved</u> by Kate Bowler
- <u>No Cure for Being Human</u> by Kate Bowler
- <u>Holy Envy</u> by Barbara Brown Taylor
- <u>Searching for Sunday</u> by Rachel Held Evans
- <u>How the Bible Actually Works</u> by Peter Enns
- <u>Shameless</u> by Nadia Bolz-Weber



## Podcasts

- <u>The Bible for Normal People</u>, cohosted by Peter Enns and Jared Byas
- <u>Everything Happens</u>, by Kate Bowler
- <u>Learning How to See</u> hosted by Brian McLaren
- <u>Instructions for Living a Life</u>, cohosted by Adam Baker and Chrisie Reeves-Pendergrass
- <u>The Evolving Faith Podcast</u>, hosted by Sarah Bessey and Jeff Chu
- <u>Reclaiming My Theology</u>, hosted by Brandi Miller
- <u>Another Name for Everything</u>, by Richard Rohr

## For Kids/Parents

- <u>Celebrate Wonder Bible Storybook</u> Brittany Sky
- <u>Faithful Families: Creating Sacred Moments at Home</u>- Traci Smith
- <u>Deep Blue Kids Bible</u>- CEB Translation
- <u>Indescribable: 100 Devotions about God & Science</u>- Louie Giglio
- <u>Our Daily Bread for Kids: 365 Meaningful Moments with God</u>
- <u>The Family Devotional Bible</u>
- <u>Holy Troublemakers & Unconventional Saints</u> Daneen Akers

# <u>For Youth</u>

- <u>The Affirm Series</u>- Sara Galyon, Jen Bradbury, Audrey Elizabeth Wilder
- <u>Reckless Love</u> Tom Berlin
- <u>Restored</u>- Tom Berlin
- <u>Jesus Calling: Teen Edition</u>- Sarah Young
- <u>Holy Troublemakers & Unconventional Saints</u>- Daneen Akers

