

Required Book List

Institute of Biblical Studies

Summer 2019

NOTE: Many of these books may be available in Kindle or Nook editions. The ISBN numbers listed below are for the print editions. You can often save money buying used copies of books. If you buy a used copy, be sure to get the correct edition (if there is more than one edition in print). If you search using the ISBN number, you'll be sure to get the right edition.

FIRST YEAR CORE COURSES

Intro to Christian Theology

1. Beth Felker Jones, *Practicing Christian Doctrine: An Introduction to Thinking and Living Theologically* (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2014). ISBN-13: 978-0801049330.
2. David Platt, *Counter Culture: Following Christ in an Anti-Christian Age*. Carol Stream: Tyndale, 2017. ISBN-13: 978-1414390383 (Be sure to get this 2017 edition which was released in February 2017. He added a chapter on refugees.)

Bible Study Methods

1. Vaughan Roberts. *God's Big Picture: Tracing the story-line of the Bible*. Downers Grove: Intervarsity, 2002. ISBN-13: 978-0830853649
2. Mark Roberts, *Ephesians: Story of God Bible Commentary*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2016. ISBN-13: 978-0310327233
3. Terry Wildman, *Walking the Good Road: The Gospels and Acts with Ephesians - First Nations Version*. Great Thunder Publishing, 2017. ISBN-13: 978-0984770663

Intro to Mission (Live course taught by Dr. Allen Yeh)

1. Timothy C. Tennent. *Invitation to World Missions: A Trinitarian Missiology for the Twenty-first Century*. Grand Rapids: Kregel, 2010. ISBN-13: 978-0825438837

Intro to Mission (Virtual Course taken online by New Staff)

1. Ralph Winter and Steven Hawthorne, eds. *Perspectives on the World Christian Movement: A Reader*. 4th ed. Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2013. ISBN-13: 978-0878083909. [The Kindle e-book version is also available. ([ASIN: B00N5C16HE](#)) The EBook version includes two books, the Perspectives Reader and the Study Guide. We will not use the Study Guide in this course.]
2. Timothy J. Keller. *Center Church: Doing Balanced, Gospel-Centered Ministry in Your City*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2012. ISBN-13: 978-0310494188

SECOND YEAR CORE COURSES

Biblical Interpretation

1. Duvall, Scott J. and J. Daniel Hays. *Grasping God's Word*. 3rd ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2012. ISBN: 978-0-310-49066-1 [Make sure you buy the third edition.]
2. Georges, Jayson and Mark D. Baker. *Ministering in Honor-Shame Cultures*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2016. ISBN: 978-0-8308-5146-1
3. Keller, Timothy. *The Prodigal Prophet*. New York: Penguin Random House LLC, 2018. ISBN-13: 978-0735222069
4. *ESV Study Bible*. Wheaton: Crossway, 2008. ISBN-13: 978-1433502415. [NOTE: When you buy the print version, you also get free online access to the ESVSB. If you don't want a print version of the ESVSB, you can simply buy one of the electronic versions available at esv.org.]
5. *NIV Biblical Theology Study Bible: New International Version*. Grand Rapids, MI, USA: Zondervan, 2018. ISBN-13: 978-0310450405 [This bible recently changed names from the Zondervan NIV Study Bible. You can purchase the digital version at Olivetree.com or you can purchase it on Bible Gateway - Note: be sure to purchase the Biblical Theology Study edition, not just the NIV Study Bible]

Biblical Communication

3. Timothy J. Keller. *Center Church: Doing Balanced, Gospel-Centered Ministry in Your City*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2012. ISBN-13: 978-0310494188
4. Georges, Jayson. *The 3D Gospel: Ministry in Guilt, Shame and Fear Cultures*. Time Press, 2017. ISBN-13: 978-0692338018
5. Georges, Jayson and Mark D. Baker. *Ministering in Honor-Shame Cultures*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2016. ISBN-978-0-8308-5146-1
6. Llyod-Jones, Sally. *The Jesus Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His Name*. Grand Rapids: ZonderKids, 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0310708254

Old Testament Survey

1. John Walton and Andrew Hill. *Old Testament Today: A Journey from Original Meaning to Contemporary Significance*, Second edition, (Grand Rapids, Zondervan, 2014). ISBN-13: 978-0310498209. (NOTE: [Be sure to get the second edition.](#))

God/Bible/Holy Spirit

1. Tennent, Timothy C. *Theology in the Context of World Christianity: How the Global Church Is Influencing the Way We Think about and Discuss Theology*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0310275114.
2. Holsteen, Nathan D., & Svingel, Michael J. *Exploring Christian Theology: Volume One (Revelation, Scripture and the Triune God)*, Minneapolis, MN: Bethany House, 2014.
3. Reeves, Michael. *Delighting in the Trinity: An Introduction to the Christian Faith*, Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2012. ISBN-13: 978-0764211300

THIRD YEAR CORE COURSES

Global Church History

1. Douglas Jacobsen, *Global Gospel: An Introduction to Christianity on Five Continents*, Grand Rapids: Baker, 2015. ISBN-13: 978-0801049934
2. Mark Shaw, *Global Awakening: How 20th Century Revivals Triggered a Christian Revolution*. IVP, 2010. ISBN-13: 978-0830838776

Apologetics

1. Sam Allberry, *Is God Anti-Gay?* The Good Book Company, 2013. ISBN: 978-1908762313
2. Chatraw, Joshua & Allen, Mark D. *Apologetics at the Cross: An Introduction to Christian Witness*. Grand Rapids, MI. Zondervan, 2018. (ISBN: 9780310524687)

Humanity/Christ/Salvation

1. Robert E. Coleman, *The Heart of the Gospel: The Theology Behind the Master Plan of Evangelism* (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2011). ISBN: 9780801013706.
2. Timothy Keller, *The Prodigal God: Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith* (Penguin: New York City, 2008). ISBN-13: 978-1594484025.

Christian Worldview and Ethics

1. David Platt, *Counter Culture: Following Christ in an Anti-Christian Age*. Carol Stream: Tyndale, 2017. ISBN-13: 978-1414390383 (Be sure to get this 2017 edition which was released in February 2017. He added a chapter on refugees.)
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