

Heritage Christian Fellowship Reading List

The following is a list of recommended authors, commentaries, Bible study resources, and edifying Christian books that should prove helpful to you in your study of Scripture and pursuit of God. The views expressed in all of these materials are not necessarily views held by HCF. However, we believe these materials are generally sound and will enrich your life in Christ.

Authors

(NOTE: Any of the “Puritan Paperbacks” published by Soli Deo Gloria are recommended, although not all the authors are listed below.)

Jay Adams	John Gerstner	John Piper
Randy Alcorn	Graeme Goldsworthy	David Powlison
Richard Baxter	Os Guinness	Vern Poythress
Louis Berkhof	William Gurnall	Lou Priolo
John Blanchard	Joshua Harris	Robert Reymond
James M. Boice	Michael Horton	Carol Ruvolo
Thomas Boston	Susan Hunt	Philip Graham Ryken
Jerry Bridges	Peter Jones	J. C. Ryle
Thomas Brooks	Phillip Keller	Ken Sande
F. F. Bruce	Timothy Keller	Frances Schaeffer
John Bunyan	George Eldon Ladd	Philip Schaff
Jeremiah Burroughs	Stephen Lawson	Richard Sibbes
John Calvin	C. S. Lewis	Bruce Shelley
D. A. Carson	Robert P. Lightner	R. C. Sproul
Tim Challies	D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones	Charles Spurgeon
Oswald Chambers	Martin Luther	Sam Storms
Stephen Charnock	John MacArthur	John Stott
David Clotfelter	J. Gresham Machen	Alexander Strauch
R. L. Dabney	Wayne Mack	Joni Eareckson Tada
Bruce Demarest	Carolyn Mahaney	Justin Taylor
Nancy Leigh DeMoss	C. J. Mahaney	A. W. Tozer
Mark Dever	Walter Martin	Paul Tripp
Daniel Doriani	Josh McDowell	Tedd Tripp
Jonathan Edwards	Al Mohler	Ralph Venning
Elisabeth Elliot	Henry Morris	Thomas Vincent
John Flavel	Iain Murray	Bruce Ware
John Flayer	John Murray	Benjamin Warfield
John Feinberg	Kathleen Nielson	Thomas Watson
Sinclair Ferguson	John Owen	David Wells
Elyse Fitzpatrick	J. I. Packer	Edward Welch
John Frame	Richard Phillips	James White
Elizabeth George	A. W. Pink	George Whitefield

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Bible Studies

Bible Book Studies or Topical Studies by:

Bible Study Fellowship

Jerry Bridges

Pursuit of Holiness

Practice of Godliness

The Discipline of Grace

Transforming Grace

Sinclair Ferguson

The Christian Life

Elizabeth George

A Woman of Excellence

A Woman After God's Own Heart

Bible book studies

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Fundamentals of the Faith (HCF CD)

Fruit of the Spirit

John MacArthur

Bible book studies

Kathleen Nielson

Bible book studies

Precept Ministries (Kay Arthur)

J. I. Packer

Knowing God

Carol Ruvolo

No Other Gospel (Galatians)

God With Us (Overview of the Gospels)

His Witnesses to the World (Acts)

Grace to Stand Firm; Grace to Grow (1-2 Peter)

Faith at Work (James)

R. C. Sproul

Dust to Glory (video or CD with workbook)

The Holiness of God

John Stott

Bible book studies

Bible Study Aids

Bible Study Methods

Louis Berkhof, *Principles of Biblical Interpretation*

Daniel Doriani, *Getting the Message*

Daniel Doriani, *Putting the Truth to Work*

Graeme Goldsworthy, *Gospel-Centered Hermeneutics*

Howard G. and William D. Hendricks, *Living by the Book*

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Irving L. Jensen, *Independent Bible Study*
Carol Ruvolo, *Turning on the Light*
R. C. Sproul, *Knowing Scripture*

Bible Overviews: Bible Overviews aid our study of Scripture by equipping us understand the parts of the Bible we are studying within the context of the whole revelation of God.

(*Basic; **Advanced)

- *T. D. Alexander, *The Servant King: The Bible's Portrait of the Messiah.*
- **G. R. Beasley-Murray, *Jesus and the Kingdom of God.*
- *John Bright, *The Kingdom of God.*
- *Tim Chester, *From Creation to New Creation.*
- *S. G. De Graaf, *Promise and Deliverance*, 4 volumes.
- *Mark Dever, *The Message of the Old Testament: Promises Made.*
- *Mark Dever, *The Message of the New Testament: Promises Kept*
- *William Hendriksen, *Survey of the Bible: A Treasury of Bible Information.*
- *Gordon D. Fee and Douglas Stuart, *How to Read the Bible Book by Book.*
- *Graeme Goldsworthy, *According to Plan: The Unfolding Revelation of God in the Bible.*
- *George Eldon Ladd, *The Gospel of the Kingdom: Scriptural Studies in the Kingdom of God.*
- *John MacArthur, *MacArthur's Quick Reference Guide to the Bible.*
- *Alec Motyer, *Look to the Rock: An Old Testament Background to Our Understanding of Christ.*
- *Vern S. Poythress, *The Shadow of Christ in the Law of Moses.*
- **Herman Ridderbos, *The Coming Kingdom.*
- *Vaughan Roberts, *God's Big Picture: Tracing the Storyline of the Bible.*
- *John R. W. Stott, *Understanding the Bible.*
- **Willem Vangemeren, *The Progress of Redemption: The Story of Salvation From Creation to the New Jerusalem.*
- **Geerhardus Vos, *Biblical Theology.*
- *Michael D. Williams, *Far As The Curse Is Found: The Covenant Story of Redemption.*

Concordances, Handbooks, Dictionaries, Encyclopedias, Atlases:

Baker's Bible Atlas
Dictionary of Biblical Imagery
Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels (Intervarsity Press)
Eerdman's Atlas of the Bible
Evangelical Dictionary of Theology (Elwell)
Holman Bible Atlas
Holman's Bible Handbook
Holman's Bible Dictionary
Halley's Bible Handbook
Literary Study Bible (ESV)
MacArthur Topical Bible

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Nelson's Complete Book of Bible Maps and Charts (includes reproducible maps and charts)
Nelson's New Illustrated Bible Dictionary
New Dictionary of Biblical Theology
NIV Atlas of the Bible (Carl G. Rasmussen)
Strong's Concordance (match to your Bible translation)
Vine's Expository Dictionary of Biblical Words
Zodhiates, Complete Word Study Bible and Dictionary
Zondervan's Pictorial Encyclopedia

Commentaries

Single Volume:

G. K. Beale and D. A. Carson, *Commentary on the New Testament Use of the Old Testament*
D. A. Carson and Douglas J. Moo, *An Introduction to the New Testament*
Raymond B. Dillard and Tremper Longman III, *An Introduction to the Old Testament*
Alfred Edersheim, *Bible History Old Testament*
Alfred Edersheim, *The Life and Times of Jesus the Messiah*
Walter A. Elwell, *Evangelical Commentary on the Bible*
R. K. Harrison, *Introduction to the Old Testament*
Donald Guthrie, *New Testament Introduction*
J. Gresham Machen, *The New Testament: An Introduction to its Literature and History*

Multiple Volume:

James Montgomery Boice
Genesis (3 volumes)
Joshua (1 volume)
Nehemiah (1 volume)
Psalms (3 volumes)
Minor Prophets (1 volume)
Matthew (2 volumes)
John (5 volumes)
Acts (1 volume)
Romans (4 volumes)
Ephesians (1 volume)
Philippians (1 volume)
Epistles of John (1 volume)
John Calvin
Volumes on most of the Old and New Testament
Matthew Henry
commentary on the whole Bible in 5 volumes

Simon J. Kistemaker and William Hendriksen
Volumes cover entire New Testament

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D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

multiple volumes covering:

Sermon on the Mount

John 17

Acts

Romans

Ephesians

Philippians

1 John

2 Peter

and selected passages of Scripture

J. C. Ryle

Expository thoughts on the Gospels

Matthew (1 volume)

Mark (1 volume)

Luke (2 volumes)

John (3 volumes)

John MacArthur

Volumes on each book of the New Testament (Mark still to come)

Charles Spurgeon

volumes on most of the Old and New Testament

The Bible Speaks Today Series, various authors

Old Testament Series Editor, J. A. Motyer

New Testament Series Editor, John R. W. Stott

Preaching the Word Series, various authors

R. Kent Hughes, general editor

Reformed Expository Commentaries (P&R Publishing)

Esther and Ruth, Iain Duguid

Daniel, Iain Duguid

Zechariah, Richard D. Phillips

Matthew (2 vols), Daniel M. Doriani

Incarnation in the Gospels, Doriani, Phillips, Ryken

Galatians, Philip Graham Ryken

1 Timothy, Philip Graham Ryken

Hebrews, Richard D. Phillips

James, Daniel M. Doriani

The Welwyn Commentary Series, various authors

features commentary “simply explained”

Computer Helps

Logos Bible Software

PC Study Bible

PowerBible CD

Online Bible 4.0

Quickverse

The SWORD Bible

The E-SWORD Bible (free online)

Recommended Reading

Biblical Counseling

Jay Adams, all titles

William Bridge, *A Lifting Up for the Downcast*

Elyse Fitzpatrick and Carol Cornish, gen. eds., *Women Helping Women*

Elyse Fitzpatrick, *Uncommon Vessels: A Program for Developing Godly Eating Habits*

John G Kruis, *Quick Scripture Reference for Counseling*

Timothy S. Lane and Paul David Tripp, *How People Change*

D. Martin Lloyd-Jones, *Spiritual Depression: Its Causes and Its Cure*

John MacArthur, *The Freedom and Power of Forgiveness*

John MacArthur and Wayne Mack, *Introduction to Biblical Counseling*

John Piper, *When the Darkness Will Not Lift*

John Piper and Justin Taylor (gen. eds), *Suffering and the Sovereignty of God*

David Powlison, *Seeing With New Eyes: Counseling and the Human Condition through the Lens of Scripture*

Ken Sande, *The Peacemaker: A Biblical Guide to Resolving Personal Conflict*

Joni Eareckson Tada and Steve Estes, *When God Weeps: Why Our Sufferings Matter to the Almighty*

Paul David Tripp, *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands: People in Need of Change; Helping People in Need of Change*

Paul David Tripp, *War of Words: Getting to the Heart of Your Communication Struggles*

Thomas Watson, *All Things for Good*

Edward T. Welch, *When People Are Big and God is Small*

Edward T. Welch, *Depression: A Stubborn Darkness*

Edward T. Welch, *Addictions: A Banquet in the Grave*

Alexander Strauch - *Leading with Love*

Biography

Roland H. Bainton, *Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther*

Peter Brown, *Augustine of Hippo*

Josiah Bull, *'But Now I See': The Life of John Newton*

Iain H. Murray, *David Martyn Lloyd-Jones (2 volumes)*

Iain H. Murray, *The Forgotten Spurgeon*

Iain H. Murray, *The Life of Arthur W. Pink*

Iain H. Murray, *Jonathan Edwards: A New Biography*

Stephen J. Nichols, *Martin Luther: A Guided Tour of His Life and Thought*

Stephen J Nichols, *Jonathan Edwards: A Guided Tour of His Life and Thought*

JR Beeke, *Meet the Puritans*

Steve Lawson, *A Long Line of Godly Men*

Children

Joel Beeke and Diana Kleyn, *Building on the Rock Children's Series,*

Joel Beeke and Diana Kleyn, *Reformation Heroes*
Sinclair Ferguson, *The Big Book of Questions and Answers*,
Sinclair Ferguson, *The Big Book of Questions and Answers about Jesus*
C. S. Lewis, *The Chronicles of Narnia*
Sally Lloyd-Jones, *The Jesus Storybook Bible*
J. C. Ryle, *Boys and Girls Playing*
R. C. Sproul, *King Without A Shadow*,
R. C. Sproul, *The Priest With Dirty Clothes*
R. C. Sproul, *The Lightlings*
C. H. Spurgeon, *A Good Start: A Book for Young Men and Women*

Christianity in the Culture

DA Carson, *Christ and Culture Revisited*
Al Mohler, *Culture Shift*
Frances Schaeffer, *Collected Works*
David Wells, *No Place For Truth*
David Wells, *God in the Wasteland*
David Wells, *Losing Our Virtue*
David Wells, *Above All Earthly Powers*
David Wells, *The Courage to be Protestant*

Christian Living

Jerry Bridges, *The Pursuit of Holiness*
Jerry Bridges, *The Joy of Fearing God*
Jerry Bridges, *The Practice of Godliness*
Jerry Bridges, *Respectable Sins*
Jeremiah Burroughs, *The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment*
Bryan Chapell, *Holiness By Grace: Delighting in the Joy That Is Our Strength*
Jonathan Edwards, *Charity and Its Fruits: Christian Love as Manifested in the Heart and Life.*
Sinclair B. Ferguson, *A Heart For God*
Elyse Fitzpatrick, *Idols of the Heart: Learning to Long for God Alone*
Kris Lundgaard, *The Enemy Within: Straight Talk About the Power and Defeat of Sin*
John MacArthur, *Our Sufficiency in Christ*
John MacArthur, *Ashamed of the Gospel*
John MacArthur, *Twelve Ordinary Men*
John MacArthur, *Twelve Extraordinary Women*
C. J. Mahaney, *Living the Cross Centered Life*
C.J. Mahaney, *Christ Our Mediator*
C.J. Mahaney, *The Cross Centered Life*
C.J. Mahaney, *Humility*
J. I. Packer, *Knowing God*
John Piper, *God's Passion for His Glory: Living the Vision of Jonathan Edwards*
John Piper, *Desiring God*
John Piper, *Future Grace*
John Piper, *The Pleasures of God*

Carol Ruvolo, *A Believer's Guide to Spiritual Fitness*
Carol Ruvolo, *Footprints of the Fisherman*
J. C. Ryle, *Holiness: Its Nature, Hindrances, Difficulties, and Roots*
J. C. Ryle, *Practical Religion*
A. W. Tozer, *The Pursuit of God*
Donald S. Whitney, *Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life*

Church History

Roland H. Bainton, *The Reformation of the Sixteenth Century*
F. F. Bruce, *The Spreading Flame*
John Knox, *The Reformation in Scotland*
Mark A. Noll, *A History of Christianity in the United States and Canada*
Kenneth Scott Latourette, *A History of Christianity* (2 volumes)
John Piper, *The Swans are Not Silent* series
Phillip Schaff, *History of the Christian Church* (8 volumes)
Bruce Shelley, *Church History in Plain Language*

Ecclesiology

Mark Dever, *The Deliberate Church*
Mark Dever, *Nine Marks of a Healthy Church*
Alexander Strauch, *Biblical Eldership*
Alexander Strauch, *The New Testament Deacon*

Evangelism and Discipleship

Jerram Barrs, *The Heart of Evangelism*
John Blanchard, *Right With God*
James Montgomery Boice, *Christ's Call to Discipleship*
James Buchanan, *Not Guilty*
Mark Dever, *The Gospel and Personal Evangelism*
Sinclair Ferguson, *Grow in Grace*
Sinclair Ferguson, *Children of the Living God*
Sinclair Ferguson, *The Christian Life*
Timothy Keller, *The Reason For God*
R. B. Kuiper, *God-Centered Evangelism*
George Ladd, *The Gospel of the Kingdom*
C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*
John MacArthur, *Fundamentals of the Faith*
John MacArthur, *Keys to Spiritual Growth*
J. I. Packer, *Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God*
John Piper, *God is the Gospel*
John Piper, *Finally Alive*
John Piper, *Fifty Reasons Why Jesus Came to Die*
Philip G. Ryken, *The Message of Salvation: By God's Grace, For God's Glory. The Bible Speaks Today*
R. C. Sproul, *Getting the Gospel Right*
John R. W. Stott, *Basic Christianity*

Last Things

Craig L Blomberg and Sung Wook Chung, *A Case for Historic Premillennialism*
Robert G. Clouse, *The Meaning of the Millennium*
Millard J. Erickson, *A Basic Guide to Eschatology*
George Eldon Ladd, *The Blessed Hope*
George Eldon Ladd, *The Presence of the Future*
George Eldon Ladd, *Revelation*
Robert P Lightner, *The Last Days Handbook*
John MacArthur, *The Glory of Heaven: The Truth About Heaven, Angels and Eternal Life*
John MacArthur, *Because the Time is Near*

Marriage, Family, Singleness,

Jay Adams, *Christian Living in the Home*
Elyse Fitzpatrick, *Helper by Design*
Wayne Grudem and John Piper, *Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood*
Susan Hunt, *By Design*
Carolyn Leutwiler, *Singleness Redefined*
John MacArthur, *Successful Christian Parenting*
John MacArthur, *Different By Design*
Carolyn Mahaney, *Feminine Appeal*
Martha Peace, *The Excellent Wife*
John Piper, *What's the Difference?*
John Piper, *This Momentary Marriage*
Bruce A. Ray, *Withhold Not Correction*
R. C. Sproul, *The Intimate Marriage*
Paul David Tripp, *Age of Opportunity: A Biblical Guide to Parenting Teens*
Tedd Tripp, *Shepherding A Child's Heart*
Thomas Watson, *The Godly Man's Picture*

Missions

Jim Cromarty, *King of the Cannibals*
Elisabeth Elliot, *Through Gates of Splendor*
John Piper, *Let the Nations be Glad*

Prayer and Devotion

Arthur Bennett, ed., *The Valley of Vision: A Collection of Puritan Prayers and Devotion*
D. A. Carson, *A Call to Spiritual Reformation: Priorities from Paul and His Prayers*
Graeme Goldsworthy, *Prayer and the Knowledge of God*
Richard Kriegbaum, *Leadership Prayers*
Carol Ruvolo, *Before the Throne of God*

Theology

Gospel According to the Old Testament Series, P&R Publishing

David Jackson, *Crying Our for Vindication* (Job)
 Raymond B. Dillard, *Faith in the Face of Apostacy* (Elijah and Elisha)
 Dean R Ulrich, *From Famine to Fullness* (Ruth)
 George M Schwab, *Hope in the Midst of a Hostile World* (Daniel)
 Tremper Longman III, *Immanuel in Our Place, Seeing Christ in Israel's Worship*
 Iain M. Duguid, *Living in the Gap Between Promise and Reality* (Abraham)
 Iain M. Duguid, *Living in the Grip of Relentless Grace* (Isaac and Jacob)
 Michael P. V. Barrett, *Love Divine and Unfailing* (Hosea)
 Bryan D. Estelle, *Salvation Through Judgment and Mercy* (Jonah)
 L. Berkhof, *Systematic Theology*
 James Montgomery Boice, *Whatever Happened to the Gospel of Grace: Recovering the Doctrines That Shook the World.*
 James Montgomery Boice, *Foundations of the Christian Faith: A Comprehensive and Readable Theology.*
 James Montgomery Boice and Philip Graham Ryken, *The Doctrines of Grace: Rediscovering the Evangelical Gospel.*
 Jerry Bridges, *The Gospel for Real Life*
 Jerry Bridges and Bob Bevington, *The Great Exchange*
 F. F. Bruce, *Hard Sayings of Jesus*
 F. F. Bruce, *The Canon of Scripture*
 John Calvin, *Institutes of the Christian Religion*
 Stephen Charnock, *The Existence and Attributes of God*
 Edmund P. Clowney, *The Church*
 Robert Duncan Culver, *Systematic Theology*
 R. L. Dabney, *Systematic Theology*
 Mark Dever, *The Message of the Old Testament*
 Mark Dever, *The Message of the New Testament*
 Jonathan Edwards, *The Freedom of the Will*
 John S. Feinberg, *No One Like Him*
 Sinclair B. Ferguson, *The Holy Spirit.* Countours of Christian Theology Series
 Sinclair B. Ferguson, *The Grace of Repentance*
 John Frame, *The Doctrine of God,* A Theology of Lordship Series
 John Frame, *Salvation Belongs to the Lord*
 Wayne Grudem, *Systematic Theology*
 Charles Hodge, *Systematic Theology*
 George Eldon Ladd, *Theology of the New Testament*
 John MacArthur, *The Gospel According to Jesus*
 John MacArthur, *Faith Works: The Gospel According to the Apostles*
 John MacArthur, *The Love of God*
 John Murray, *Redemption Accomplished and Applied*
 A. W. Pink, *The Nature of God*
 A. W. Pink, *The Sovereignty of God*
 John Piper, *The Pleasures of God: Meditations on God's Delight in Being God*
 John Piper, *Counted Righteous in Christ*
 Robert L. Reymond, *A New Systematic Theology of the Christian Faith*
 Soli Deo Gloria, *Justification by Faith Alone*

R. C. Sproul, *Saved From What?*
R. C. Sproul, *The Holiness of God.*
R. C. Sproul, *Grace Unknown: The Heart of Reformed Theology.*
R. C. Sproul, *Chosen By God*
John R. W. Stott, *The Cross of Christ*
A. W. Tozer, *The Knowledge of the Holy*
Bruce Ware, *God's Greater Glory*
Bruce Ware, *God's Lesser Glory*
James R. White, *The God Who Justifies*

Youth

Elisabeth Elliot, *Passion and Purity*
Joshua Harris, *I Kissed Dating Good-bye*
John Piper, *Don't Waste Your Life*