

SMALL GROUP RESOURCE DESCRIPTIONS

Worship

- **Surrendering Your Life for God's Pleasure (6 Sessions) (Doing Life Together Series)** Description: What does it mean to surrender to God? These six sessions will help you experience the transforming power of a surrendered life. As you learn to worship Christ throughout your daily life, you will come to trust him with the experiences of your past, the precious things of your present, and your hopes for the future. What are you holding on to? Discover the peace of laying it at God's feet. DVD only. Participant's guides required. Format is the same as 40 Days of Purpose.
- **Building Robust Faith, Earl Palmer (6 Session) Video Tape study of Philippians** by pastor of University Presbyterian Church, with reproducible study sheets.

Fellowship

- **Connecting with God's Family (6 Session) (Doing Life Together Series)** Description: God longs for you to have rich, genuine connections with him and a handful of other people. These six sessions will help you connect more deeply with Jesus Christ and build genuine relationships with Christian friends. Christ's love makes it possible for you to be known and to know others, to be loved and to love, to resolve conflict effectively, and to move outward together in faith. DVD only. Participant's guides required. Format is the same as 40 Days of Purpose.
- **Beginning Life Together (6 Sessions) (Doing Life Together Series)** Description: This introductory group study gives you an overview of the five biblical purposes God intends for you life. This study will take you on a 6-week journey of the Purpose-Driven Life and give you a taste of the life God created for you to live. DVD only. Participant's guides required. Format is the same as 40 Days of Purpose.

Marriage and Family Relationships

- **Loving, Lasting Relationships – Gary Malley and John Trent, PhD (8 Sessions)** Video taped sessions with marriage and family experts present topics of personalities, communication, faith and trials. Reproducible study guide with discussion questions.
- **Maximum Marriage – Tim Timmons (4 Videos)**
- **Decide to Love – Smalley – Couples workshop (2 Cassettes)** Workshop with audio tapes, deals with communication, frustrations, trust issues. Couples participating work through discussions. Leader's manual.
- **Hidden Keys to Loving Relationships (6 sessions)** Live video taped sessions with psychologist, Gary Smalley, who gives insights and steps of action.
- **Building your Mate's Self-Esteem (13 sessions) (2 Videos)**
- **The Hurried Family (10 Sessions)** Tim Kimmel, based on his book, Little House on the Freeway, suggests how to restore calmness and rest to the home and relationships. Video & Study Guide.

- Boundaries, Drs. Henry Cloud and John Townsend (8 Sessions) Take control of your life – know when to say ‘yes’ and when to say ‘no.’ Video session with leader’s guide and reproducible study sheets.
- Parenting with Purpose, Roger Sonnenburg (6 Sessions) Video of six proven steps to better families: Commitment, time together, communication, appreciation, conflict resolution, religious orientation. Leader’s guide.
- How to Talk so Kids will Listen, Kevin Leman (6 Sessions)
- Making Children Mind Without Losing Yours, Dr. Kenneth Leman (6 Sessions on VHS or DVD). How to bring out the best in kids by doing what is best for them. Workbook and facilitator guide.
- Roots to Grow, Wings to Fly (12 Sessions) Christian Parenting
- Parenting, the Early Years, Drs. Les & Leslie Parrot (6 Sessions) Ten biblical traits your kids will remember you for. Six DVDs and workbook.

Bible Study

- Jesus, The Theologian: His Parables, Ken Bailey (11 Videos)
- New Testament Themes, Ken Bailey (6 Videos) Women in the New Testament
- Understanding the Bible, Ken Bailey (2 Videos)
- Today’s Truth about Ancient Corinth, Ken Bailey (10 Videos)

Discipleship

- Growing to Become Like Christ (6 Sessions) (Doing Life Together Series)
Description: Spiritual maturity doesn’t happen by accident. The six sessions in this study equip you for the basic habits of spiritual growth: relying on the Holy Spirit, cultivating time in the Bible and prayer, seeking life’s obstacles as opportunities for growth, and partnering with Christians who are committed to supporting your growth. Here is a realistic, practical path to growing strong faith and Christian character. DVD only. Participant’s guides required. Format is the same as 40 Days of Purpose.
- Experiencing God (12 sessions) Description: Learn to hear when God is speaking to you. Find out where God is working and join him. Experience God doing through you what only God can do. Notes: Participant workbooks with daily assignments required. Leader’s guide available. Can be used with or without the videos.
- That the World May Know (27 sessions total) (*2 of the 4 Videos are missing*)
Description: a unique video series that brings God’s Word to life with astounding relevance. By weaving together the Bible’s fascinating historical, cultural, religious and geographical contexts, host Ray Vander Laan (a teacher and historian) reveals keen insights into the Scriptures’ significance to modern believers. Notes: each session can stand alone and covers a different location and lesson. Leader’s guide and reproducible handouts available.
- The Jesus I Never Knew, Philip Yancey (14 Sessions) Description: Tapping the drama and immediacy of motion pictures, The Jesus I Never Knew curriculum will engage your hearts, minds, emotions, and senses as you compare well- and

- little-known film portraits of Jesus with the Jesus of the Bible. This remarkable program will spark discussion, interaction, application, and growth. Participant's guides required. Leader's Guide available. Copies of book, The Jesus I Never Knew, also available. (?)
- Hope Has Its Reasons, Rebecca Manly Pippert (6 Sessions) 2 Complete sets Video presents basics of real Christianity and the difference knowing Christ makes. Discusses the meaning of the resurrection for healing wounds and changing believer's lives.
 - 40 Days of Purpose, Rick Warren (6 Week study) 1 DVD and 9 Study Books available
 - A Woman After God's Own Heart, Elizabeth George (10 Sessions) Do you ever stop to think about how you will be remembered after you're gone? Will it be as a loving wife, a nurturing mother, a faithful Christian, a loyal friend? In this topical Bible Study, Elizabeth will teach you how to become a woman after God's own heart and how you can find balance and fulfillment in the critical areas of life that matter most.
 - Wrestling with Angels (6? Sessions) Six well known authors are spokespersons for video that answers tough questions of life: Forgiveness, Loss, Struggling to Love, Questioning God, Pain and Evil.
 - Seeking Solid Ground, John Trent and Rick Hicks, PhDs, Biblical blueprint for building godly character: 8 steps based on Psalm 15.
 - Margin, Richard Swenson, MD (8 Sessions) Prescription for the pain of overloaded lives. Video deals with emotional health, reducing stress, use of time, and how faith stabilizes life. Study Guide.
 - Finding Peace in a Troubled World, Max Lucado (8 Sessions) Reflections on Christ's example, showing how to overcome as Jesus did: stress, betrayal, hatred, hypocrisy and loss, in order to find peace. Video & study guide.
 - Relationship Principles of Jesus, Rick Warren (6 sessions on DVDs) Study guide.
 - Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit, Beth Moore (10 sessions on DVDs) Study Guide.

Ministry

- Developing Your Shape to Serve Others (6 sessions) (Doing Life Together Series) Description: The way you're wired is no accident! God designed your unique mix of gifts, natural abilities, personality, values and life experiences to play as essential part in his kingdom. These six sessions will help you develop your god-Given design at home, at work, at church, and in your community in a way that extends God's love to others and enriches your own life immeasurably. Notes: DVD edition only. Participant's guides required. Format is the same as 40 Days of Purpose. **(Connect with the Discover Your Ministry Coordinator for coaching follow-up if participants desire a coaching session)**
- Living Beyond Yourself, Beth Moore (Twelve DVDs available)

Mission / Evangelism

- Sharing Your Life Mission Every Day (6 sessions) (Doing Life Together Series) Description: Sharing Your Life Mission Every Day just isn't that hard. You need

a few skills, a few friends for support and a glimpse of God's heart for those who don't know him. These six sessions will equip you to extend love to seekers around you and talk about your experience with God in ways that people will understand. God doesn't ask you to do it alone – discover the power that comes from teaming up! Notes: DVD edition only. Participant's guides required. Format is the same as 40 Days of Purpose.

- **Becoming a Contagious Christian (8 Sessions)** A proven course designed to equip believers for effective evangelism in today's world. It avoids stereotyped approaches that feel intimidating to many Christians. Instead, it shows ordinary believers how they can share the Gospel in a natural and powerful way while being the person God made them to be. Notes: Participant Guides required. Leader's Guide and overheads available. Uses Video.
- **40 Days of Community, Rick Warren (6 sessions)** Four study books available.

Other

- **Training for Leaders of Small Groups, Lyman Coleman (6 sessions)**
- **Your Finances in Changing Times, Larry Burkett (4 Videos)**