



## Adult Life Group Curriculum Recommendations

### 1. The Sunday teaching series

- a. These messages are tailored for our church and will always be highly recommended.
- b. Use the uniquely prepared discussion guide for each message or the general use discussion guide for guest speakers.
- c. Find discussion guides here: <https://www.cvchurch.org/leadagroup/>

### 2. **Experiencing God: Knowing and Doing the Will of God** by Henry & Richard Blackaby, Claude King

- a. Experiencing God is based on seven Scriptural realities that teach us how to develop a true relationship with the Creator. By understanding how God is working through us even as we try to fathom His ways, we can begin to clearly know Him.
- b. Description: When you open this book, you'll find that you aren't just reading. No, you are being remade, reoriented, restored from the frustration of what you may have known as stale religion. Captured not by a concept but by your Creator, reborn in relationship. Carefully listening to His voice will anchor you in His plan and set you free to live it with boldness and freedom.
- c. An audiobook is available free on Hoopla\*.

### 3. **The Bait of Satan: Living Free from the Deadly Trap of Offense** by John Bevere

- a. The Bait of Satan exposes one of the most deceptive snares Satan uses to get believers out of the will of God—offense. This trap restrains countless Christians, severs relationships, and widens the gulfs between us. Jesus said, "It is impossible that no offenses should come" (Luke 17:1). Although you will encounter offense, you can choose how you will react.
- b. In this new twentieth anniversary edition, John Bevere shows you how to identify the traps ahead of you and escape the victim mentality. With declaration-style prayers and testimonials from people whose lives have been changed by his message, this book will inspire you to stay free from offense and its destructive power.
- c. Digital videos for study, audiobook and ebook available free on Hoopla\*.

### 4. **How to Pray: A Simple Guide for Normal People** by Pete Grieg

- a. Revolutionize your prayer life by learning
  - i. How to start praying
  - ii. How to keep prayer simple
  - iii. How to ask God for things
  - iv. How to cope with unanswered prayer
  - v. How to pray without words
  - vi. How to hear God
- b. You will also be inspired by the power of prayer through the stories of Corrie Ten Boom, Joni Eareckson Tada, Saint Patrick, and many more.

- c. Digital videos for study, audiobook and ebook available free on Hoopla\*.
- 5. *Practicing the Way*** founded by John Mark Comer
- a. Eight-session introduction to spiritual formation (learning to be more like Jesus)
  - b. Learn to develop rhythms of Jesus in your life even though we live in a culture that's distracted, fragmented, and hurried.
  - c. Create a free account on the website and invite your group to participate
  - d. [www.practicingtheway.org](http://www.practicingtheway.org)
- 6. *Not Beyond Reach*** by Aaron Pierce
- a. 10-week video series on how to share Jesus with the young, the deconstructed, and the non-religious.
  - b. Free digital Leader and Participant guides
  - c. Sign up for Steiger updates and receive free access to the entire series.
  - d. [www.notbeyondreach.com](http://www.notbeyondreach.com)
- 7. *Civic Revival: How to Be a Christian During the Election*** by Jutin E. Giboney & Chris Butler
- a. Six-session video series available on RightNow Media.
  - b. This series was created to help you embrace Christian Civic Disciplines, equipping you to prepare your heart and mind, stand united, and see others through the love of God, regardless of political differences.
  - c. Particularly during election seasons, the church has the opportunity to be a beacon of balance and clarity in an often-polarized environment. Christians need to cultivate discipline to navigate pivotal political moments with grace and wisdom.
  - d. <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/content/details/881471>

\*Hoopla is a free online library. Check to see if your local library participates.