

HOPE COVENANT CHURCH
SMALL GROUP RESOURCES

Please note: These are merely ideas of potential study resources. There are too many good books and studies to list here. If you find a book you like, you may consider doing a search on Amazon.com or a search engine to find related resources.

BIBLE STUDIES

Old Testament

Pick a book, find a study

www.christianbook.com
www.familychristian.com
www.amazon.com
etc.

New Testament

...for Everyone (series)
N. T. Wright

Like a devotional, but easy to use for any NT book study.

BOOK STUDIES

Non-fiction

3:16
Max Lucado

A book about John 3:16.

Celebration of Discipline
Richard Foster

Easy to use for groups; great topics for discussion.

Confessions
Augustine

Every Christian ought to read the first three chapters, if nothing else. (The Oxford University Press version is quite good).

The Cost of Discipleship
Dietrich Bonhoeffer

A classic look at the sermon on the mount.

Crazy Love
Francis Chan

A book about God's love for humanity and our place in the universe
(www.crazylovebook.com)

The Divine Conspiracy
Dallas Willard

A book that offers a reconsidering what discipleship looks like.

Eat This Book: A Conversation in the Art of Spiritual Reading
Eugene Peterson

Challenging look at living what you read in Scripture.

<i>The Five Love Languages</i> Gary Chapman	Not just for couples. Always worth studying again.
<i>A Generous Orthodoxy</i> Brian McLaren	Having a missional faith.
<i>IT</i> Craig Groeschel	A book about how a ministry can find 'it,' keep 'it,' and display 'it' so people will get 'it.'
<i>Knowing God</i> J. I. Packer	Even if you've been a Christian for a long time, this book provides some new avenues of study and discussion.
<i>Letters from a Skeptic</i> Greg Boyd & Edward Boyd	Letters written between a believing son and an unbelieving father. Covers many apologetic topics.
<i>Mere Christianity</i> C. S. Lewis	A classic on the basics of the faith.
<i>Simply Christian</i> N. T. Wright	Called the new "Mere Christianity." A very deep look at the basic of the faith.
<i>Uncommon: Finding Your Path to Significance</i> Tony Dungy	A book about achieving significance.
<i>Velvet Elvis</i> Rob Bell	Perspectives on Christianity in a changing world.

Fiction

<i>Byzantium</i> Stephen Lawhead	Historical Fiction (Irish monks).
<i>The Shack</i> William Young	A novel that deals with where God is in painful times.
<i>So You Don't Want to Go to Church Anymore</i> Jake Colson, Wayne Jacobsen &, Dave Coleman	A story of a young man who meets (what appears to be) one of the disciples of Jesus, living in the 21 st century.

VIDEO STUDIES

Video/DVD

<i>3:16</i> Max Lucado	Based on the book by the same name. About John 3:16.
Bluefish TV	These videos and video series are available in a variety of formats—some are

inexpensive, others are not.
(www.bluefishtv.com)

Nooma Series
Rob Bell

Short videos on a variety of faith-related topics (Pastor Tom has some copies; also appreciated clips available through iTunes for free)

IT
Craig Groeschel

Nine-week video journey on the presence of God—how a ministry can find ‘it,’ keep ‘it,’ and display ‘it’ so people will get ‘it.’

Online

LifeChurch.tv
Craig Groeschel

LifeChurch (a Covenant Church) has a variety of small group video series for starting discussions. All resources are free.
(www.lifechurch.tv)

HELPFUL WEBSITES

About Small Groups

The Small Group Exchange

Great articles and videos from small group leaders; also, many small group books/videos
(<http://www.smallgroupexchange.com/>)