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Five Pillars of a First Class Life -
Carla Maxwell Ray 2019-06-19

The 80/80 Marriage - Nate Klemp PhD
2021-02-09
NAMED ONE OF COSMOPOLITAN'S "15 BEST MARRIAGE BOOKS ALL COUPLES SHOULD READ." An accessible, transformative guide for couples seeking greater love, connection, and intimacy in our modern world Nate and Kaley Klemp were both successful in their careers, consulting for high-powered companies around the world. Their work as mindfulness and leadership experts, however, often fell to the wayside when they came home in the evening, only to end up fighting about fairness in their marriage. They believed in a model where each partner contributed equally and fairness ruled, but, in reality, they

were finding that balance near impossible to achieve. From this frustration, they developed the idea of the 80/80 marriage, a new model for balancing career, family, and love. The 80/80 Marriage pushes couples beyond the limited idea of "fairness" toward a new model grounded on radical generosity and shared success, one that calls for each partner to contribute 80 percent to build the strongest possible relationship. Drawing from more than one hundred interviews with couples from all walks of life, stories from business and pop culture, scientific studies, and ancient philosophical insights, husband-and-wife team Nate and Kaley Klemp pinpoint exactly what's not working in modern marriage. Their 80/80 model of marriage provides practical, powerful

solutions to transform your relationship and open up space for greater love and connection.

Rethink Communication - Phil Bowdle
2018-12-31

"I read Phil's book, Rethink Communication, and it's excellent. I picked up several nuggets of wisdom for myself, and highly recommend it to anyone looking for practical ways to improve their communication. "- John Maxwell The church doesn't have a message problem. The church is facing a message delivery problem. The old communication playbook no longer works. What worked before isn't working anymore. It's time to rethink communication and leverage the greatest opportunities we've ever had to communicate in the church. In Rethink Communication, Phil Bowdle walks through the new reality for

what attendance, engagement, and attention look like for the church. Then he offers a practical communication playbook you can use to communicate anything in your church- and actually connect. These practical tips and proven strategies will work regardless of size, staff, or budget. Communication has been overlooked for far too long in the church. It's time for that to change. It's time to rethink communication for the church. *Passing the Plate* - Christian Smith
2008-09-29

Passing the Plate shows that few American Christians donate generously to religious and charitable causes. This eye-opening book explores the reasons behind such ungenerous giving, the potential world-changing benefits of greater financial giving, and what can be done to improve

matters. By illuminating the social and psychological forces that shape charitable giving, *Passing the Plate* is sure to spark a much-needed debate on a critical issue.

Ask, Thank, Tell - Charles R. Lane
2006-01-01

The goal of this book, says author Charles Lane, is to perform a dramatic rescue of stewardship, freeing it from any connection whatsoever to "paying the bills." When the Bible talks about stewardship it almost always talks about the intimate connection between how a person handles financial matters and that person's relationship with God. Stewardship is an intensely spiritual matter that lies close to a disciple's relationship with Jesus. The book is designed especially for use in

congregational planning and study. Congregational stewardship leaders will come back to three foundational verbs ? ask, thank, tell ? over and over as they help individuals experience the joy of giving generously. The author makes the convincing case that there is little in life today that can help a disciple grow in relationship with Jesus more than a solid intentional biblical stewardship.

Giving with Confidence - Colburn
Wilbur 2017-01-01

"The pitfalls, potential, and the ins and outs of charitable giving . . . a must-read for all nonprofit leaders, donors, and students."—Marjorie Schwarzer, award-winning author of *Riches, Rivals, and Radicals* There are thousands of books that tell you how to get money, but few that cover

something just as challenging: how to give money away. Giving with Confidence provides thoughtful guidance culled from decades of experience in the philanthropy world. Whether you are an individual who donates to your favorite charity or the head of a small to medium-sized foundation, the gentle practicalities of this book will enable you to manage your giving with effectiveness and personal satisfaction. By following its seven core principles, you will have what you need for “improving the reach, scope, and impact” of your contributions. “Reveals the secret sauce of philanthropy with humor, wisdom, and plain good storytelling. This book is a gift for anyone who has considered giving.”—Ralph Lewin, president and CEO of Cal Humanities “There is a ton

of advice for the wealthiest givers, but none for those of us who give more than \$5,000 but less than \$75,000 per year. Here in a non-dogmatic style are some approaches and guidelines to make donors feel more effective. Thank you, Cole and Fred.”—Jan Masaoka, CEO of the California Association of Nonprofits “[An] outstanding guide to creative and effective grantmaking, this time for the individual philanthropist.”—Dawn Hawk, program officer for the Philanthropic Ventures Foundation “Part up-to-date behind-the-scenes guide, part how-to, this potent little book distills the wisdom of a life’s work in philanthropy by one of our best thinkers and most devoted practitioners.”—Marilyn Bancel, author of Preparing Your Capital

Campaign

The up the Middle Church - Matt

Keller 2008-12-16

In the Up The Middle Church, Matt Keller offers an on-the-field playbook for pastors and leaders who need to know how to win their Super Bowl one yard at a time! The church world today is inundated with stories of Overnight Success. The one percent of churches who have a long bomb story seem to make the headlines, but what about the other ninety-nine percent? Are we destined for failure? Are we left without options? Will we ever see our dream of doing something great for God come true? In The Up the Middle Church, Matt Keller unpacks the myth that just because a church isn't big, fast, doesn't mean it isn't successful. When Next Level Church began in 2002, it was anything

but an overnight success story.

However, by learning and implementing the principles that are in this book, that same church has grown from four people to nearly a thousand every week! There is a new normal in the church world today, and it's The Up the Middle Church. It's possible to win in your church, but maybe God wants to show you how one yard at a time!

I Like Giving - Brad Formsma

2014-02-18

Rich with inspiring stories and practical suggestions, I Like Giving will help you create a lifestyle of generosity. Choosing to live a generous life can transform you and the world around you. Something incredible happens when giving becomes your own idea, not something you do out of duty or obligation.

When you move from awareness to action, miracles happen. As you make giving a lifestyle, you'll realize you're not only loving life more, you're also creating a more generous world— a better world for all of us. Inside you'll find tips about:

- Thinking of giving as something you get to do, not something you have to do.
- How to raise kids with a sensitivity to others' needs.
- Making a difference without being a millionaire.
- Practical ideas for ways to give to people around you every day.

I Like Giving shows you how to experience the joy of giving because we all have something to give. Beyond money or things, giving can be a listening ear, a touch, or simply the gift of time. Giving is living.

Think Red - Larry Stoess 2021-09-27

Have you ever wondered what the church would look like if Christians began to take the words of Jesus seriously--the words some Bibles print in red? What if Jesus actually meant for us to do the things he said? What if those who "believe in Jesus" really did value the things he valued? Would the church look different? Would your neighborhood stay the same? In Think Red, Larry Stoess takes a close look at the values, the vision, and the mission of Jesus, and then holds up a mirror for us to see if our communities look anything like Jesus. If we dare look in the mirror we may be inspired to leave behind our obsession with consumer-based religion and follow the way of Jesus. Those who do will be set free to imagine creative and whimsical expressions of community.

Genius of Generosity Book: Lessons from a Secret Pact Between Two Friends - Chip Ingram 2010-12-01

Managing Leadership Anxiety - Steve Cuss 2019-04-09

You Can Learn to Handle the Onslaught of Internal and External Pressures Does anxiety get in the way of your ability to be an effective leader? Is your inability to notice when you and those around you are anxious keeping you "stuck" in chronic unhealthy patterns? In *Managing Leadership Anxiety*, pastor and spiritual growth expert Steve Cuss offers powerful tools to help you move from being managed by anxiety to managing anxiety. You'll develop the capacity to notice your anxiety and your group's anxiety. You will increase your sensitivity to the way groups

develop systemic anxiety that keeps them trapped. Your personal self-awareness will increase as you learn how self gets in the way of identifying and addressing issues. *Managing Leadership Anxiety* offers valuable principles to those who are hungry to understand the source of the anxiety in themselves and in the people with whom they relate. Readers will be empowered to take back control of their lives and lead in mature and vibrant ways.

The Contagious Commandments - Paul Kemp-Robertson 2018-11-01

Contagion may alarm doctors but marketers thrive on it. Some concepts are so compelling you have to share them. But what makes an idea so infectious you can't keep it to yourself? And how can brands produce these kinds of ideas intentionally

rather than by chance? Contagious, the globally renowned intelligence resource for the marketing industry, is dedicated to identifying and interrogating the world's most exceptional creative trends. And in *The Contagious Commandments*, Paul Kemp-Robertson and Chris Barth condense this valuable research into ten strategic takeaways for your own marketing revolution. Taking inspiration from disruptive campaigns from the likes of Patagonia, Nike, Safaricom, BrewDog, LEGO, Kenco, and dozens more, *The Contagious Commandments* explores how companies fuse creativity, technology and behavioural psychology to achieve truly original marketing ideas that have a positive impact on society and profits - and how your brand can too. *Contagious Culture: Show Up, Set the*

Tone, and Intentionally Create an Organization that Thrives - Anese Cavanaugh 2015-11-13
GET INSPIRED. GET EXCITED. GET RESULTS. A proven approach to corporate culture that's positively contagious You are about to enter a new era of leadership. With more competition, more connectedness, and more opportunities than ever before, this exciting new era demands a workplace culture that is collaborative, productive, energized, and contagious. A culture that encourages extraordinary growth and innovation. A culture that starts with you—showing up, setting the tone, and lighting the fire... This book is about answering that call and setting yourself up for success. It's about improving your leadership presence and your impact, not just on

others but yourself. It's about creating the space you need to share your vision, state your intention, and jump-start your team. It's about working yourself over—from the inside out—so you can become the strong, effective, inspiring leader you know you can be. This is Contagious Culture, a game-changing guide to transforming corporate culture from within, developed by the award-winning creator of The IEP Method to strengthen your “Intentional Energetic Presence.” This is more than a leadership book—this is your future calling. Award-winning organizational advisor Anese Cavanaugh reveals the secrets of IEP—Intentional Energetic Presence—for transforming your workplace and your life. The key to any company's success lies in its

culture. This game-changing guide shows you how to shape and revitalize this culture—by setting the tone, engaging the team, and creating a dynamic working environment that encourages growth, productivity, and innovation. It all starts with you... Using the book's unique IEP Method, you can: Be the kind of leader people want to follow—not have to follow Craft your intention—and make a real impact Unleash your energy—and watch it spread like wildfire Unlock greater collaboration in your teams—and greater leadership in your people Show up for Others—by setting yourself up for success Bring out the best in everyone—including yourself Create a contagious work culture that people want to catch! With these proven step-by-step techniques, you can take control of the culture you

work in and build a healthier, more functional environment—from the inside out. You'll find helpful transformative tools and exercises for improving collaborations, opening communications, and implementing changes. You'll discover the best methods for handling the toughest challenges, whether it's hiring and firing, strategizing and organizing, busyness or burnout. Best of all, you'll learn how to enhance your "Intentional Energetic Presence" (IEP) so you'll always be fully present, purposeful, and prepared to share your vision with infectious energy and enthusiasm. Contagious Culture is so much more than a leadership guide. It's a complete cultural mind-shift that's not only exciting for you and your team—it's absolutely, positively contagious.

The Gifts of Reading - Robert Macfarlane 2017-06-01

From the acclaimed author of *The Old Ways* and *Landmarks* -- an essay on the joy of reading, for anyone who has ever loved a book. Every book is a kind of gift to its reader, and the act of giving books is charged with a special emotional resonance. It is a meeting of three minds (the giver, the author, the recipient), an exchange of intellectual and psychological currency, that leaves each participant enriched. Here Robert Macfarlane recounts the story of a book he was given as a young man, and how he managed eventually to return the favour, though never repay the debt. From one of the most lyrical writers of our time comes a perfectly formed gem, a lyrical celebration of the transcendent power

and humanity of the given book.
The Five Side Effects of Kindness -
David R. Hamilton 2021-09-14
Despite what you might have been told, we're not inherently selfish. The truth is we're inherently kind. Scientific evidence has proven that kindness changes the brain, impacts the heart and immune system, is an antidote to depression and even slows the ageing process. We're actually genetically wired to be kind. In The Five Side Effects of Kindness, David Hamilton shows that the effects of kindness are felt daily throughout our nervous system. When we're kind we feel happier and our bodies are healthiest. In his down-to-earth and accessible style, David shares how:

- Kindness makes us happier
- Kindness is good for the heart
- Kindness slows ageing

- Kindness improves relationships
- Kindness is contagious

Dare to Lead - Brené Brown 2018-10-11
In her #1 NYT bestsellers, Brené Brown taught us what it means to dare greatly, rise strong and brave the wilderness. Now, based on new research conducted with leaders, change makers and culture shifters, she's showing us how to put those ideas into practice so we can step up and lead. Leadership is not about titles, status and power over people. Leaders are people who hold themselves accountable for recognising the potential in people and ideas, and developing that potential. This is a book for everyone who is ready to choose courage over comfort, make a difference and lead. When we dare to lead, we don't pretend to have the

right answers; we stay curious and ask the right questions. We don't see power as finite and hoard it; we know that power becomes infinite when we share it and work to align authority and accountability. We don't avoid difficult conversations and situations; we lean into the vulnerability that's necessary to do good work. But daring leadership in a culture that's defined by scarcity, fear and uncertainty requires building courage skills, which are uniquely human. The irony is that we're choosing not to invest in developing the hearts and minds of leaders at the same time we're scrambling to figure out what we have to offer that machines can't do better and faster. What can we do better? Empathy, connection and courage to start. Brené Brown spent

the past two decades researching the emotions that give meaning to our lives. Over the past seven years, she found that leaders in organisations ranging from small entrepreneurial start-ups and family-owned businesses to non-profits, civic organisations and Fortune 50 companies, are asking the same questions: How do you cultivate braver, more daring leaders? And, how do you embed the value of courage in your culture? Dare to Lead answers these questions and gives us actionable strategies and real examples from her new research-based, courage-building programme. Brené writes, 'One of the most important findings of my career is that courage can be taught, developed and measured. Courage is a collection of four skill sets supported by twenty-eight behaviours.'

All it requires is a commitment to doing bold work, having tough conversations and showing up with our whole hearts. Easy? No. Choosing courage over comfort is not easy. Worth it? Always. We want to be brave with our lives and work. It's why we're here.'

The Creator's Code - Amy Wilkinson
2016-03-22

"Based on in-depth interviews with more than 200 leading entrepreneurs, [including the founders of LinkedIn, Chipotle, eBay, Under Armour, Tesla Motors, SpaceX, Spanx, Airbnb, PayPal, JetBlue, Gilt Group, Theranos, and Dropbox], a business executive and senior fellow at [the Harvard Kennedy School] identifies the six essential disciplines needed to transform your ideas into real-world successes, whether you're an

innovative manager or an aspiring entrepreneur"--

Contagious Disciple Making - David Watson
2014-12-23

It is hard to deny that today's world can seem apathetic toward Christians. Some may look down at their iPhones when we mention God, motion for the check when we bring up church, or casually change the subject when we talk about prayer. In a world full of people whose indifference is greater than their desire to know Christ, how can we dream of growing the church? In *Contagious Disciple Making*, David Watson and Paul Watson map out a simple method that has sparked an explosion of homegrown churches in the United States and around the world. A companion to Cityteam's two previous books, *Miraculous Movements* and *The Father Glorified*, *Contagious*

Disciple Making details the method used by Cityteam disciple-makers. This distinctive process focuses on equipping spiritual leaders in communities where churches are planted. Unlike many evangelism and church-growth products that focus on quick results, contagious disciple-making takes time to cultivate spiritual leadership, resulting in lasting disciple-making movements. Through Contagious Disciple Making readers will come to understand that a strong and equipped leader will continue to grow the church long after church planters move on to the next church. Features include:
Engagement tools for use in the field
Practical techniques to equip others to make disciples

Christians in an Age of Wealth -
Craig L. Blomberg 2013-11-26

In this book, Craig Blomberg addresses the tough questions about the place and purpose of wealth and material possessions in a Christian's life. He points to the goodness of wealth, as God originally designed it, but also surveys the Bible's many warnings against making an idol out of money. So are material possessions a blessing for which we should long? And what are the dangers that the use or abuse of material possessions can produce? Blomberg expounds upon how the sharing of goods and possessions is the key safeguard against both greed and covetousness. He expands on the concept of giving generously, even sacrificially, to those who are needier, demonstrating how Christians can participate in God's original good design for abundance and demonstrate the world-altering gospel

of Christ. Is there any one key to keeping possessions in their proper, God-intended perspective? Are there limits on how rich we should become or on how poor we should allow others to get? What does a truly Christian economic system look like? How does the Bible's teaching on wealth fit into the gospel?

The 48 Laws of Power - Robert Greene
2000-09-01

Amoral, cunning, ruthless, and instructive, this multi-million-copy New York Times bestseller is the definitive manual for anyone interested in gaining, observing, or defending against ultimate control – from the author of *The Laws of Human Nature*. In the book that *People* magazine proclaimed “beguiling” and “fascinating,” Robert Greene and Joost Elffers have distilled three

thousand years of the history of power into 48 essential laws by drawing from the philosophies of Machiavelli, Sun Tzu, and Carl Von Clausewitz and also from the lives of figures ranging from Henry Kissinger to P.T. Barnum. Some laws teach the need for prudence (“Law 1: Never Outshine the Master”), others teach the value of confidence (“Law 28: Enter Action with Boldness”), and many recommend absolute self-preservation (“Law 15: Crush Your Enemy Totally”). Every law, though, has one thing in common: an interest in total domination. In a bold and arresting two-color package, *The 48 Laws of Power* is ideal whether your aim is conquest, self-defense, or simply to understand the rules of the game.

Insourcing - Randy Pope 2013-03-19

Too many of today's pastors and leaders mistakenly think that thriving programs, lively worship services, and relevant preaching are adequate for developing people into the spiritual dynamos God desires. In many churches, the primary objective of the church—personally discipling individuals into mature followers of Jesus—has been “outsourced” to large-scale programs. But are people truly being disciple and taught how to follow Jesus? Are they growing in spiritual depth and missional determination? Twenty-five years ago, the leadership team of Perimeter, Randy Pope's rapidly growing church realized that nothing but personal discipleship could account for the uniqueness of individuals and the call of God on each person's life. Perimeter calls their approach “life-

on-life missional discipleship,” and this book tells the story of how they learned to bring discipleship back from the margins of church life to the mainstream. Many pastors and leaders are slowly awakening to the reality that current models of ministry just aren't working the way they had hoped they would. Randy's journey as a pastor will encourage you and invite you to consider the effectiveness and fruitfulness of your own church's discipleship efforts.

Giving Is the Good Life - Randy Alcorn 2019-09-03

ECPA 2020 Christian Book Award Finalist! Wouldn't it be great if we could do what pleases God, helps others, and is best for us—at the same time? Can we live the good life without being selfish? In Giving Is

the Good Life, bestselling author Randy Alcorn teaches life-changing biblical principles of generosity and tells stories of people who have put those radical principles into practice. Each story is a practical application that can help stimulate your imagination and expand your dreams of serving Jesus in fresh ways. These real-life models give you not just words to remember but footprints to follow. Giving Is the Good Life reveals a grander view of God and generosity—one that stretches far beyond our imagination and teaches us what the good life is really all about.

Inspiring Generosity - Barbara Bonner
2014-04-01

Inspiring stories and beautifully typeset quotations about generosity.
WARNING: This book might change your

life. The desire to act generously arrives like an uninvited guest, unexpectedly, like a lightning bolt, in a mere moment. A gesture, a news story, a quotation in a book, a passing remark can change everything. For many, that moment is enough for generosity to move into their hearts and minds and become central to their lives. This book will help readers open their hearts to the power of their own innate generosity, their desire to make a difference in the world, to help make someone's day a little brighter or their world a bit more secure. It will kindle a spark in readers' hearts that moves them into the sunshine of a more generous life. If one life is more generous, we all prosper. That is one of generosity's most wonderful qualities: it is utterly contagious.

Inspiring Generosity is an invitation to savor a sampling of the very best inspirations on the subject of generosity. It includes fourteen contemporary stories of "generosity heroes" whose lives have been transformed by the power of generosity. Sprinkled throughout these stories are writings, poems, and quotes from Shakespeare, Hafiz, Emily Dickinson, George Eliot, Wendell Berry, Sharon Olds, Naomi Shibab Nye, Donald Justice, Winston Churchill, Mother Teresa, Maya Angelou, Gandhi, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., John Steinbeck, James Joyce, Leo Tolstoy, Walt Whitman, Henry David Thoreau, Goethe, Seneca, Albert Schweitzer, Anne Frank, and many others.

In a Heartbeat - Leigh Anne Tuohy
2010-07-13

For the first time, the remarkable couple depicted in *The Blind Side* tells their own deeply inspiring story. First came the bestselling book, then the Oscar-nominated movie—the story of Michael Oher and the family who adopted him has become one of the most talked-about true stories of our time. But until now, Leigh Anne and Sean Tuohy have never told this astonishing tale in their own way and with their own words. For Leigh Anne and Sean, it all begins with family. Leigh Anne, the daughter of a tough-as-nails U.S. Marshal, decided early on that her mission was to raise children who would become "cheerful givers." Sean, who grew up poor, believed that one day he could provide a home that would be "a place of miracles." Together, they raised two remarkable children—Collins and

Sean Jr.—who shared their deep Christian faith and their commitment to making a difference. And then one day Leigh Anne met a homeless African-American boy named Michael and decided that her family could be his. She and her husband taught Michael what this book teaches all of us: Everyone has a blind side, but a loving heart always sees a path toward true charity. Michael Oher's improbable transformation could never have happened if Leigh Anne and Sean Tuohy had not opened their hearts to him. In this compelling, funny, and profoundly inspiring book, *In a Heartbeat*, the Tuohys take us on an extraordinary journey of faith and love—and teach us unforgettable lessons about the power of giving. *Think Red* - Larry Stoess 2021-09-27 Have you ever wondered what the

church would look like if Christians began to take the words of Jesus seriously—the words some Bibles print in red? What if Jesus actually meant for us to do the things he said? What if those who “believe in Jesus” really did value the things he valued? Would the church look different? Would your neighborhood stay the same? In *Think Red*, Larry Stoess takes a close look at the values, the vision, and the mission of Jesus, and then holds up a mirror for us to see if our communities look anything like Jesus. If we dare look in the mirror we may be inspired to leave behind our obsession with consumer-based religion and follow the way of Jesus. Those who do will be set free to imagine creative and whimsical expressions of community. *Contagious Generosity* - Chris Willard

2012-07-03

The general practices related to church funding aren't producing the same results they have in the past. There is a general acceptance that something has changed but little talk or interest is coming from traditional church leader training sources such as denominational entities and seminaries. Pastors are largely left to their own devices to "figure this out." They need a lifeline. While some churches are experiencing exponential growth, some churches - despite their best efforts - have been unsuccessful at moving beyond survival mode. Coupled with increased competition from other nonprofits and a decline in the commitment to give to the church first, churches risk losing the funding they need. A growing number

of leaders are beginning to discover there is another way and are struggling to understand what makes one church generous and another not. There is a need in the market to offer a simple, working definition of "generosity" and reveal the "secrets" some church leaders seem to have simply stumbled upon which are resulting in unexplainable ministry growth and unprecedented church funding even in the midst of tough economic times. The content of this material was developed and refined by Jim Sheppard and Chris Willard through years of ministry leadership in the local church, consulting with church leaders across a broad spectrum of church settings, and through participation in and leadership of the Generous Church Leadership Community facilitated by

Leadership Network. Of particular benefit will be the collection of observations and best practices gleaned during the Generous Church Leadership Community that originated within real-life church leadership situations and scenarios by highlighting specific challenges, methods, and successes.

Leading a Healthy Multi-Ethnic Church

- Mark DeYmaz 2013-05-16

Increasingly, church leaders are recognizing the power and beauty of the multi-ethnic church. Yet, more than a good idea, it's a biblical, first-century standard with far-reaching evangelistic potential. How can your church overcome the obstacles to become a healthy multi-ethnic community of faith? And why should you even try? In *Leading a Healthy Multi-Ethnic Church* (formerly

titled *Ethnic Blends*), Dr. Mark DeYmaz provides an up-close-and-personal look at seven common challenges to creating diversity in your church. Through real-life stories and practical illustrations, DeYmaz shows how to overcome the obstacles in order to lead a healthy multi-ethnic church. He also includes the insights of other effective multi-ethnic church leaders from the United States and Australia, as well as study questions at the end of each chapter. *Leading a Healthy Multi-Ethnic Church* describes what effective local churches in the 21st century will look like and shows us how to create them, together as one, beyond race and class distinctions. —Miles McPherson, Senior Pastor, The Rock Church, San Diego, CA Mark DeYmaz, perhaps more than any pastor

in America, has his pulse on what it will take for the Church to find real reconciliation in our generation.

—Matt Carter, Lead Pastor, Austin Stone Community Church, Austin, TX
Focus on the Giver, Not the Gift - Travis Moody 2019-08-31

What if you could increase the money given to your church between 15 percent and 20 percent? Well, it can be done. In fact, we have done it at my home church for the last eight years in a row! Over the last eight years, The Life Church has been my experimental laboratory to test different stewardship strategies. My experiments over the years have yielded ten successful strategies and just as many (maybe even more) to avoid. These ten strategies have helped several other churches that I have consulted with over the last

eight years. Regardless of the size of your church, the ten financial strategies unpacked in this book will help you create a culture of generosity in your church.

What Went Wrong in the Muslim World?: Values vs. Actions - Dr. Naceur Jabnoun

How to Discipline Kids Without Losing Their Love and Respect - Jim Fay
2004-01-01

Imagine... No More Arguing.
Imagine... No More Manipulation.
Imagine... Stress Free Parenting. For over fifty years, Jim Fay has worked with schools, families, and children in the areas of teaching, parenting and discipline. In 1977, along with internationally renowned psychiatrist Dr. Foster W. Cline, he founded the Love and Logic Institute, Inc. which

is dedicated to helping parents and educators create responsible kids. We know you will enjoy this book by beloved storyteller and parenting expert, Jim Fay, as he speaks to parents, educators, and community leaders about how to discipline kids without losing their love or respect.

Vat die regte pad - Jesus s'n -
Stephan Joubert 2021-12-01

Te veel gelowiges voel skuldig omdat hulle nie voldoen aan ander se geestelike verwagtings nie. Of omdat hulle nie die standaard-resepte uitleef wat gedurig in die kerk uitgedeel word van hoe 'n "regte Christen" moet leef nie. Hulle is kerklik betrokke, maar voel moedeloos. Godsdienstige uitbranding is 'n paar van hulle se voorland. Tot vervelens beleef hul die Here is teleurgesteld met hulle. Hierdie boek

is nie die groot antwoord op dissipelskap in drie maklike stappe nie. Jy gaan definitief nie hier tien beproefde resepte vir suksesvolle Christenwees, of so iets, raakloop nie. Maar dit wil wel saam met jou reis na 'n paar onontdekte skatte in die Here se skatkamers. Dit wil die "las van gewone gelowiges soos ek en jy se skouer aflag om (buiten-)gewone lewens tot eer van die Heer te leef. Net dit.

The Monkey and the Fish - Dave
Gibbons 2009-05-26

Our world is marked by unprecedented degrees of multiculturalism, ethnic diversity, social shifts, international collaboration, and technology-driven changes. The changes are profound, especially when you consider the unchecked decline in the influence, size, and social

standing of the church. There is an undercurrent of anxiety in the evangelical world, and a hunger for something new. And we're sensing the urgency of it. We need fresh, creative counterintuitive ways of doing ministry and church and leading it in the 21st century. We need to adapt. Fast. Both in our practices and our thinking. The aim of this book is simple: When we understand the powerful forces at work in the world today, we'll learn how something called The Third Culture can yield perhaps the most critical missing ingredient in the church today—adaptability—and help the church remain on the best side of history. A Third Culture Church and a Third Culture Leader looks at our new global village and the church's role in that village in a revolutionary

way. It's a way to reconnect with the historical roots of what Jesus envisioned the church could be—a people known for a brand of love, unity, goodness, and extravagant spirit that defies all conventions. This book is part of the successful Leadership Innovation Series. *Contagious Generosity* - Barry L. Cameron 2006

The Sower - R. Scott Rodin 2010
"The purpose of this book is to provide momentum to a movement aimed at the heart of every person who is involved in the process of raising money or giving money for the work of God's Kingdom. You may be a full-time development officer, an executive director, a pastor, a president, a board member, a volunteer or a faithful giver. You may have decades

of experience in fund development, or this may be the first exposure to this topic. If you care about giving or raising money for God's work, this book is for you. This movement is a realignment of priorities that places changed hearts above changed bank balances. It is a new order that seeks to develop faithful stewards whose hearts are rich toward God. It redefines development work as ministry in the Kingdom of God. And it replaces manipulative techniques and closing strategies with a dependence on prayer and relationship building as the essential tools for success. All that sowers can do is sow faithfully and wait and hope and believe. Sowers cannot play God and cause the seeds to grow. All they can do, and must do, is sow faithfully and regularly and trust God for the

increase" -- Publisher description.
The Kindness Cure - Tara Cousineau
2018-02-02
It's time for a kindness revolution. In *The Kindness Cure*, psychologist Tara Cousineau draws on cutting-edge research in psychology and neuroscience to show how simple practices of kindness—for ourselves, for others, and for our world—can dissolve our feelings of fear and indifference, and open us up to a life of profound happiness. Compassion for ourselves and others is our birthright as humans—hardwired into our DNA and essential to our happiness. But in our fast-paced, technical savvy and hyper competitive world, it may come as no surprise that rates of narcissism have risen, while empathy levels have declined. We now find ourselves in a “cool to

be cruel” culture where it’s easy to feel disillusioned and dejected in our hearts, homes, and communities. So, how can we reverse this malady of meanness and make kindness and compassion an imperative? The Kindness Cure draws on the latest social and scientific research to reveal how the seemingly “soft skills” of kindness, cooperation, and generosity are fundamental to our survival as a species. In fact, it’s our prosocial abilities that put us at the head of the line. Blended with moving case studies and clinical anecdotes, Cousineau offers practical ways to rekindle kindness from the inside out. We are wired to care. The very existence of our human species evolved because of an intricate physiology built for empathy, compassion, and cooperation. Yet we

have an epidemic of loneliness, indifference, and cruelty, and we see these destructive trends on a daily basis in our families, schools, neighborhoods, and workplaces. This important book teaches effective skills in compassion, mindfulness, and social and emotional learning, and reveals successful social policy initiatives in empathy taking place that inform everything from family life to education to the workplace. Kindness has the exponential power to renew relationships and transform how we think, feel, and behave in the world. Will you be a part of the revolution?

The Paradox of Generosity - Christian Smith 2014-08-01

Determining why, when, and to whom people feel compelled to be generous affords invaluable insight into

positive and problematic ways of life. Organ donation, volunteering, and the funding of charities can all be illuminated by sociological and psychological perspectives on how American adults conceive of and demonstrate generosity. Focusing not only on financial giving but on the many diverse forms generosity can take, Christian Smith and Hilary Davidson show the deep impact—usually good, sometimes destructive—that giving has on individuals. The Paradox of Generosity is the first study to make use of the cutting-edge empirical data collected in Smith's groundbreaking, multidisciplinary, five-year Science of Generosity Initiative. It draws on an extensive survey of 2,000 Americans, more than sixty in-depth interviews with individuals across twelve states, and

analysis of over 1,000 photographs and other visual materials. This wealth of evidence reveals a consistent link between demonstrating generosity and leading a better life: more generous people are happier, suffer fewer illnesses and injuries, live with a greater sense of purpose, and experience less depression. Smith and Davidson also show, however, that to achieve a better life a person must practice generosity regularly—random acts of kindness are not enough. Offering a wide range of vividly illustrative case studies, this volume will be a crucial resource for anyone seeking to understand the true impact and meaning of generosity.

Kitchen Table Giving - William Enright 2017-08-24

Kitchen Table Giving flips the

traditional fundraising focus from the front porch of the church to the kitchen table where donors make their charitable decisions. This unique perspective on religious fundraising will change the way religious leaders think and talk about faith, money and giving. It will also transform the donor's giving table into a sacred place of joyous generosity. "Kitchen Table Giving masterfully elucidates why religious fundraising is far more about ministry than money. Immediately accessible and compelling, this book is an indispensable resource for church leaders and all who care about vibrant, financially flourishing faith communities." - Kerry Alye Robinson, Founding Executive Director & Global Ambassador, The National Leadership Roundtable"Spending time

with Kitchen Table Giving is like having a conversation with a trusted friend about things that matter most in our lives." - John Wimmer, Ph.D., Program Director, Religion Division, Lilly Endowment Inc."I will recommend this book to students for years to come." - Scott Cormode, Ph.D., Hugh De Pree Professor of Leadership Development, Fuller Seminary
Generosity, Stewardship, and Abundance - Lovett H. Weems Jr.
2021-05-09

As a practical and empowering resource for congregational leaders, this comprehensive guide to Christian financial responsibility addresses church fundraising, stewardship campaigns, budgets, financing capital needs, endowments, and innovative approaches to economic sustainability.

Doing Good Better - William MacAskill
2015-08-04

A radical reassessment of how we can most effectively help others by a rising star of philosophy and leading social entrepreneur. 'A surprising and often counterintuitive look at the best ways to make a difference . . . MacAskill is that rarest of beasts: a do-gooder who uses his head more than his heart.' SUNDAY TIMES
Most of us want to make a difference. We donate to charity, buy Fairtrade coffee, or try to cut down on our carbon emissions. Rarely do we know if we're really helping, and despite our best intentions, our actions can have ineffective - and sometimes downright harmful - outcomes. Confronting this problem, William MacAskill developed the concept of effective altruism, a practical,

data-driven approach which shows that each of us has the power to do an astonishing amount of good, given the right information. His conclusions are often surprising; by examining the charities we give to, the goods we buy and the careers we pursue, Doing Good Better is a fascinating and original guide which shows how, through simple actions, you can improve thousands of lives - including your own. 'A data nerd after my own heart.' BILL GATES
'Required reading for anyone interested in making the world better.' STEVEN LEVITT, co-author of Freakonomics
'Effective altruism - efforts that actually help people rather than making you feel good or helping you show off - is one of the great new ideas of the 21st century. Doing Good Better is the definitive

guide to this exciting new movement.'
STEVEN PINKER, author of *The Better
Angels of Our Nature*
Doing Good Together - Jenny Lynn
Friedman 2010
MARCH is Community Social Services
Awareness month! Is your organization
looking for service project ideas? An
increasing number of schools,
workplaces, and organizations are

doing family service projects as a
way to make positive change in their
communities. The 101 projects in
Doing Good Together answer this
growing demand for family service
with hands-on projects focused on
easing poverty, promoting literacy,
supporting the troops, helping the
environment, and more.