

Further reading

1. The Bible

- Read the books of the Bible, understand the shape of each of the books. This is always the necessary foundation for all other reading.

2. Books that help you to read the Bible well

- Allpress, R. and Shamy, A, Compass Foundation (N.Z.). (2009). *The Insect and the Buffalo : how the story of the Bible changes everything*. Christchurch N.Z.: Compass Foundation.
- Fee, G. and Stewart, D. (2003). *How to read the Bible book by book: A guided tour*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan.
- Goldsworthy, G. (1981). *Gospel and Kingdom: A Christian Interpretation of the Old Testament*. Paternoster.
- Goldsworthy, G. (1991). *According to plan: The unfolding revelation of God in the Bible*. Leicester, England: IVP.
- Goldsworthy, G. (2000). *Preaching the whole Bible as Christian Scripture*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans. – this book is particularly designed those involved in preaching.
- Roberts, V. (2003). *God's big picture: Tracing the story-line of the Bible*. Leicester, England: IVP. – Roberts has been influenced by Goldsworthy. He writes for young people out of the context of his youth ministry.
- Strom, M. (2001). *The Symphony of Scripture: Making Sense of the Bible's Many Themes*. Philadelphia: P & R Publishing.

More advanced readings:

- Alexander, T. D. and Rosner, B. S. (2000). *New Dictionary of Biblical Theology*: InterVarsity Press.
- Provan, Long and Longman. (2003). *A Biblical History of Israel*: Westminster John Knox Press.
- Waltke, B. (2007). *An Old Testament theology : an exegetical, canonical, and thematic approach*. 1st ed. Grand Rapids Mich.: Zondervan.
- Webster, J. (2003). *Holy Scripture: A dogmatic sketch*: Cambridge University Press.
- Wright, C. (2006). *The mission of God : unlocking the Bible's grand narrative*. Downers Grove Ill.: IVP Academic.

- Wright, N. T. (1992). *New Testament and the People of God*. Minneapolis: Fortress Publishing.
- Wright, N. T. (1997). *Jesus and the Victory of God*. Minneapolis: Fortress Publishing.
- Wright, N. T. (2008). *Surprised by hope : rethinking heaven, the resurrection, and the mission of the church*. New York: HarperOne.

3. Books that help you learn to live in the story of Scripture

- Bartholomew, C. and Goheen, M. (2004). *The drama of Scripture: Finding our place in the biblical story*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic.
- Bartholomew, C. G. and Goheen, M. W. (2008). *Living at the Crossroads: An Introduction to Christian Worldview*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic.
- Peterson, E. H. (2006). *Eat This Book: A Conversation in the Art of Spiritual Reading*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishers.
- Wells, S. (2004). *Improvisation: The Drama of Christian Ethics*. Grand Rapids, MI: Brazos Press.
- Wright, N. T. (2005). *The last word: Beyond the Bible wars to a new understanding of the authority of Scripture*. New York: Harper Collins.

4. Books that help us think about living out the Gospel in our time and place

- Crouch, A. (2008). *Culture making : recovering our creative calling*. Downers Grove Ill.: IVP Books.
- Gay, C. M. (1998). *The Way of the (Modern) World: Or, Why It's Tempting to Live As If God Doesn't Exist*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishers. – This is a challenging read, but well worth the effort.
- Hunter, J. D. (2010). *To change the world: the irony, tragedy and possibility of Christianity in the late modern world*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Kelshaw, C. and Thomspson, R. (2008). *Shocked by Blessing: Stories of the awful grace of God*. Blacktown, NSW: National Institute for Christian Education.
- Newbigin, L. (1989). *Gospel in a Pluralistic Society*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishers.
- Sayers, M. (2008). *The Trouble with Paris: Following Jesus in a World of Plastic Promises*. Nashville, TN: Thomas Nelson.
- Sayers, M. (2009). *The vertical self*. Nashville Tenn.: Thomas Nelson.
- Strom, M. (2000). *Reframing Paul: Conversations in Grace & Community*. Downers Grove, IL: IVP.

- Wright, N. T. (2006). *Simply Christian: Why Christianity Makes Sense*. San Francisco: Harper.

5. Books that introduce and discuss the concept of worldview

- Middleton, J. R. and Walsh, B. J. (1995). *Truth is stranger than it used to be: Biblical faith in a postmodern age*. Downers Grove, IL: IVP. – this can be difficult to read, using technical language at times. However, it is an important follow up to Walsh and Middleton's previous book – *The Transforming Vision* (1984) – which though extremely worthwhile, had some deficiencies which the authors address in this text. The authors also engage more directly with Postmodernism in this text than the previous.
- Naugle, D. (2002). *Worldview: The history of a concept*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishers. – this is a difficult book at times and there is no need to read the whole book. However the introductory sections are a must as well as other sections that address issues of interest to the reader.
- Pearcey, N. (2004). *Total truth: Liberating Christianity from its cultural captivity*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway Books. – especially the first and fourth sections of this book are really helpful. The book is actually several books rolled into one.
- Plantinga, C. (2002). *Engaging God's world: A Christian vision of faith, learning, and living*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans. – this book was written for college students. It is very readable and gives a good introduction to biblical foundations for worldview and the relevance of worldview for life and vocation.
- Smith, J. (2009). *Desiring the kingdom : worship, worldview, and cultural formation*. Grand Rapids Mich.: Baker Academic.
- Wolters, A. (2005). *Creation Regained: Biblical Basics for a Reformational Worldview* (2nd Edition). Grand Rapids, MI: William B Eerdmans Publishing. – this is a standard, and this second edition contains a really helpful final chapter newly written by Wolters and Goheen on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the original edition.