# EMC YEAR OF RENEWAL CURATED LIST OF RESOURCES FOR SMALL GROUPS, SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES, AND PERSONAL STUDY

There are many resources available on spiritual renewal. May this curated list (along with *A Guide for Small Groups Discussion and Journal Reflection* that follows the weekly scripture passages in the journal) be a starting place for further personal and group study. If you have any that you would recommend please feel free to post them on the Come and See Facebook pages. While we have done some checking to ensure these resources are trustworthy, we do not necessarily endorse everything these authors have ever taught.

## Books

Bread and Wine: Readings for Lent and Easter

Called to Be Saints: An Invitation to Christian Maturity by Gordon T. Smith

Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth by Richard J. Foster

The Divine Conspiracy: Rediscovering our Hidden Life in God by Dallas Willard

The Good and Beautiful Series (The Good and Beautiful God, The Good and Beautiful Life, and The Good and Beautiful Community) by James Bryan Smith

God is in the Manger: Reflections on Advent and Christmas by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

A Guide to Prayer for All God's People edited by Reuben P. Job and Norman Shawchuck

The Imitation of Christ by Thomas a Kempis

Living the Resurrection: The Risen Christ in Everyday Life by Eugene Peterson

Long Obedience in the Same Direction: Discipleship in an Instant Society by Eugene Peterson

A New Christian Manifesto: Pledging Allegiance to the Kingdom of God by Bob Ekblad

Pilgrim Year Book Series by Steve Bell

Prayer: Finding the Heart's True Home by Richard J. Foster

A Spiritual Formation Workbook - Revised edition: Small Group Resources for Nurturing Christian Growth by James Bryan Smith and Richard Foster

Take Our Moments and Our Days: An Anabaptist Prayer Book edited by Arthur Paul Boers

The Upside-Down Kingdom by Donald B. Kraybill

Watch for the Light: Readings for Advent and Christmas

## Commentaries

*Luke for Everyone* by Tom Wright

## **Books for Families and Kids**

100 Extraordinary Stories of Prayer for Courageous Girls: Unforgettable Tales of Women of Faith by Jean Fischer A Boy After God's Own Heart Action Devotional by Jim George *Everyone a Child Should Know* by Clare Heath-Whyte Everything a Child Should Know About God by Kenneth N. Taylor Faithful Families: Creating Sacred Moments at Home by Traci Smith Found: Psalm 23 by Sally Lloyd-Jones Get Wisdom!: 23 Lessons for Children About Living for Jesus by Ruth Younts Go and Do Likewise: The Parables and Wisdom of Jesus by John Hendrix The Jesus Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His Name by Sally Lloyd-Jones Loved: The Lord's Prayer by Sally Lloyd-Jones Miracle Man: The Story of Jesus by John Hendrix Near: Psalm 139 by Sally Lloyd-Jones The One Year Be-Tween You and God: Devotions for Girls by Sandra Byrd So You're a Christian . . . What Now?: 100 Devotions for Boys What Every Child Should Know About Prayer by Nancy Guthrie

## Websites

Biola University's The Advent Project (<u>https://ccca.biola.edu/events/2021/nov/28/advent-project-2021/</u>) Biola University's The Lent Project (<u>https://ccca.biola.edu/lent/</u>) Church Renewal (<u>https://churchrenewal.com</u>)

## Podcasts

Christian Talk by Melissa Richards Common Prayer Daily hosted by Michael Livingston Daily Grace by Joanna Kimbrel and Stefanie Boyles The Disrupters: Change What Is by Esau McCaulley Fight Hustle, End Hurry by John Mark Comer and Jefferson Bethke God's Big Story by The Village Church Jesus is Better: Bible Stories with Gospel Joy by Alica Yoder Kids Bible Stories by Jessica White

Legacy Dads

*Pray the Word* by David Platt

*Right Side Up* by Danielle Strickland (can find the series on *"The Danielle Strickland Podcast"* from 2020)

*Risen Motherhood* by Emily Jensen and Laura Wifler