

The Prayers Of Jesus Participants Guide Six In Depth Studies Connecting The Bible To Life Deeper Connections

Confronting the Controversies is a 7-session group study of "tough issues" based on Adam Hamilton's sermons on these topics. The seven sessions are: 1 – The Separation of Church and State 2 – Creation and Evolution in the Public Schools 3 – The Death Penalty 4 – Euthanasia 5 – Prayer in Public Schools 6 – Abortion 7 – Homosexuality The study is designed as a "fishing expedition," with tools and helps that will enable congregations to make the study a church and community-wide outreach event, including sermon starters and promotion aids.

This is the Participant Guide that accompanies the Prayers of Jesus 6-Session DVD Prayer was the backbone of Jesus' life and ministry. From his baptism to his crucifixion, the Gospels portray Jesus as a man of prayer who knew and deeply valued intimate communion with his heavenly Father. What can we learn from the prayers he prayed? In six engaging and interactive small group sessions, this Deeper Connections DVD study explores the prayers of Jesus, revealing new insights into prayer, the character of God, and your relationship with him. Unlike most Bible studies available, each session begins in Israel, making it easier to experience and understand the cultural background of key events. This dynamic and easy-to-understand study is written and taught by biblical experts with specialized areas of knowledge. The DVD curriculum is available (ISBN: 9781628627688) and comes with a downloadable leader guide--so anyone can lead this study! 6-Session Overview of the Prayers of Jesus From the Lord's Prayer to the story of the persistent widow, get a fantastic overview of 6 major lessons on prayer and what they meant in first-century Jewish and Roman culture: Watch and Pray: Jesus' Model Prayer Life Our God Listens: The Persistent Widow Joining in Jesus' Prayer: The Lord's Prayer Praying to a Good God: The Friend at Midnight Praying with Purpose: Jesus' Final Prayer A Friend in High Places: Faith, Prayer, and Answers Each session of this DVD study includes: 25-35 minute teaching sessions with optional audio reading and a flexible structure design to facilitate group discussions. A video introduction from Israel, showing key places Jesus walk and relevant locations of well-known Bible passages. Enjoy seeing: Capernaum The Garden of Gethsemane Galilee and much more! Easy-to-understand commentary from top professors and experts from Biola, Wheaton, Talbot, and more! Incredible historical insights that will deepen your understanding of these familiar stories. Practical Applications. Accurate, encouraging, and challenging applications of the Bible's message to life today. Included with the DVD (ISBN: 9781628627688) is a FREE leader guide with step-by-step suggestions to get the most out of this study including a materials list, session outlines, time frame for 60- and 75-minute session options with extensions, leading tips, and more! It's never been easier to lead! Perfect for small groups, Bible studies, or personal use. (Participant Guide ISBN: 9781628627695) About the Series The Deeper Connections series is unique. Unlike any other Bible study available, this visually stunning DVD series is written and taught by biblical experts - six professors with specialized areas of knowledge. Don't let the word deeper scare you. These engaging and accessible studies are for everyone who wants to deepen their understanding of God's Word and apply it more faithfully and effectively. In fact, a full one-third of each study is centered on modern application of Jesus' life and teachings. Hosted by Jarrett Stevens, who introduces each session from Israel, and filmed in locations as diverse as the Rocky Mountains, the Arizona desert, downtown Chicago, and Little Rock, Arkansas, each volume consists of six fascinating sessions. Each session is taught by a different teacher and emphasizes three components: Historical and cultural background An engaging, close look at the biblical text and its meaning Accurate, encouraging, and challenging applications of the Bible's message to life today

From beloved writer and renowned preacher Barbara Brown Taylor comes a new collection of stories and sermons of faith, grace, and hope. Taylor, author of the best-selling books Holy Envy and An Altar in the World, among others, finds that when you are the invited guest speaking of faith to people you don't know, one must seek common ground: exploring the central human experience. Full of Taylor's astute observations on the Spirit and the state of the world along with her gentle wit, this collection will inspire Taylor's fans and preachers alike as she explores faith in all its beauty and complexity.

The Forgiveness of Jesus Participant's Guide Six In-Depth Studies Connecting the Bible to Life Zondervan

This book offers a model of profound and accessible congregational prayer. At once inspirational and practical, it will empower and equip laypeople and clergy alike to offer heartfelt, informed, and appropriate prayers on behalf of the people of God. As Samuel Wells and Abigail Kocher say, "Interceding in public worship is a duty. This book is intended to make it a joy." Shaping the Prayers of the People begins by considering what public prayer is and offering practical guidelines for avoiding common pitfalls. It explores prayer as an integral part of worship and discusses the language we need (and don't need) to address God. Significantly, the book also provides an array of example prayers along with commentary.

Jesus communicated deep spiritual truths through simple, vivid, and engaging stories. Woven from the stuff of everyday life, the parables of Jesus made the kingdom of God understandable and accessible to his listeners. In six engaging, interactive small group sessions, this Deep Connection DVD gives you will gain new insights into his parables and their meanings that will help you to appreciate more fully their relevance for your own life. With maps and pictures, outlines, key Scripture verses, discussion questions, plenty of room for note taking, and a personal five-day Bible study for each session, this participant's guide will help you get the most out of The Parable of Jesus, both in your group and in applying what you learn to your life.

Pray like This Bible Study Book includes six small-group sessions, applicable Scripture, "How to Use This Study," and personal-study content and activities for five days of study

each week. Prayer is the most dynamic discipline in the life of a believer. Yet it may be the most misunderstood and the least taught. This six-session study shows believers that following Jesus' Model Prayer will lead them to fall more in love with God and grow in their desire to engage in conversation with Him. Impactful, inspiring video sessions introduced by Pastor Steve Gaines include interview segments with proven leaders: J. D. Greear, Robby Gallaty, Ronnie Floyd, Kelly Minter, Ken Hemphill, Lisa Harper, Ed Litton, H. B. Charles, Michael Kelley, and more. In this study you'll see the significance of starting your prayers by acknowledging God as Father. You'll learn what it means for His name to be recognized as holy. You'll discover what you're asking God to do when you pray for His kingdom to come and His will to be done. You'll see what Jesus meant when He told us to ask God for daily bread. You'll understand the importance of asking for forgiveness in your prayers. The study ends by emphasizing the need to ask God to deliver us from the evil one. Session titles: 1. Our Father in Heaven 2. Your Name Be Honored as Holy 3. Your Kingdom Come, Your Will Be Done, on Earth as It Is in Heaven 4. Give Us Today Our Daily Bread 5. And Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors 6. And Do Not Bring Us into Temptation, but Deliver Us from the Evil One Features: - Six small-group sessions that walk participants through Jesus' Model Prayer - Personal-study opportunities for ongoing spiritual growth Benefits: - Understand how seeing God as Father affects your prayer life. - Grasp the significance of God's invitation to call on His holy name. - Learn how a prayerful posture leads to an understanding of God's will. - Develop spiritual maturity and a knowledge of God's kingdom through prayer. - See the role Scripture plays in an effective prayer life. - Develop greater dependence on God by recognizing that He provides all your daily needs. - Discover the path to knowing God more intimately through prayer. - Learn how to wage spiritual warfare through prayer.

John Indermark helps readers walk the prayer paths of Jesus to gain clear insights into the life of prayer. With a fresh clarity, readers will see that Jesus prayed at all times and in all places--for example, in the solitude of the desert and in the midst of crowds, on the mountaintop and in the garden. Helping readers to move beyond these times and places, Indermark invites all to follow the example of Jesus and to learn deeper ways to connect with God. Written as a six-week study, each section has seven readings. Each reading has a related prayer exercise to help readers grow in prayer and in the model of Jesus. A guide for small groups is included in the book. Indermark writes from a very personal perspective and includes stories from his family and church life that are always relevant to the subject. He begins his exploration of the prayers of Jesus by writing about a church camp experience, a time when he was to give the evening devotion around the campfire. "Why I even recall that devotion is this: It served as the first time in my life I felt a sense of calling to Christian ministry." Always gentle and inviting, Indermark's writing helps readers to see new depth in the prayers of Jesus and new ways that all might pray. More than 300,000 copies sold! "This book will be like having the breath of God at your back. Let it lift you to new hope." —Dan B. Allender, PhD, author of *Bold Love* This new edition includes an expanded chapter on using the practical "prayer cards"—a hallmark of the teaching found in *A Praying Life*—and a chapter on the need and use of prayers of lament. Prayer is so hard that unless circumstances demand it—an illness, or saying grace at a meal—most of us simply do not pray. We prize accomplishments and productivity over time in prayer. Even Christians experience this prayerlessness—a kind of practical unbelief that leaves us marked by fear, anxiety, joylessness, and spiritual lethargy. Prayer is all about relationship. Based on the popular seminar by the same name, *A Praying Life* has disciplined thousands of Christians to a vibrant prayer life full of joy and power. When Jesus describes the intimacy He seeks with us, He talks about joining us for dinner (Revelation 3:20). *A Praying Life* feels like having dinner with good friends. It is the way we experience and connect to God. In *A Praying Life*, author Paul Miller lays out a pattern for living in relationship with God and includes helpful habits and approaches to prayer that enable us to return to a childlike faith.

Inspired by the Kendrick Brothers' new movie, *War Room*, this exciting new resource from the #1 best-selling author team behind *The Love Dare* and *The Resolution for Men* is designed to help anyone learn how to become a powerful person of prayer. The *Battle Plan for Prayer* begins with prayer's core purpose, its biblical design, and its impact throughout history. Readers will be guided scripturally through the fundamentals of how effective prayer works, inspired towards a closer, more intimate relationship with God, and shown how to develop specific prayer strategies for each area of life. Prayer can accomplish what a willing God can accomplish. It should be your first plan of attack in all of life's battles, not your last resort. If you want to experience the joy of mightily answered prayer, then it's time to engage with God at another level.

This participant's guide accompanies a six-session small group DVD curriculum, in which award-winning author Jim Cymbala shows what the Holy Spirit can do when believers get serious about prayer and the Gospel. Cymbala tells how God moves in life-changing ways when we set aside our own agendas, take him at his Word, and listen for his voice. The DVD curriculum and leader's guide is available separately.

An eight session curriculum to study the book by the same title. Includes eight 12 minute video clips. Explores the Old Testament.

What does a follower of Christ actually look like, and how can I become one? The Christ-follower DVD-based study focuses on the fundamentals of the Christian faith, going directly to the words of Jesus in Luke chapter 6 to answer important questions like, Who does Jesus claim to be? How does he pray? Whom does he bless? How does he treat his enemies? How does he say we should view ourselves? And what does this mean for me today? The Christ-Follower Participant's Guide will guide you as you grow in your relationship with Christ and take steps toward becoming a doer of the Word rather than a hearer of the Word. You will rekindle your passion and devotion to follow Christ as you: Worship God enthusiastically Grow in maturity and consistency Connect with the church regularly Serve others unselfishly Share your faith effectively This unique study can be used on your own for personal devotions and study or for study with your small group, family, youth group, or even your entire church. Participant's Guide Features Include: Daily readings Questions for personal reflection Action steps for personal growth Guide for small group discussion Guide for family discussion Tips for implementing this study in a youth group

As women, we often are overwhelmed by the demands and circumstances of life, resulting in stress, fear, worry, impatience, fatigue, frustration, and even depression. The truth is that we were created to be overwhelmed . . . not by life but by God! When we learn to be overwhelmed by God, the fruit in our lives goes from rotten to fragrant—filling our days with peace, hope, love, and

joy. In this six-week Bible study, Hayley DiMarco walks us through the story of Mary, Jesus' mother, who knew what it was like to be overwhelmed. As we explore Mary's life—from the news that she would give birth to God's Son to the day she witnessed his tragic death on the cross—we find ourselves on a journey from overwhelming joy to overwhelming sorrow and back again, learning along the way how to be consumed with the mission of God rather than the "mission of me." Each week explores a part of Mary's story along with practical and biblical application related to a particular aspect of life that can make us feel overwhelmed. As we dig into Scriptures in both the Old and New Testaments, Hayley shows us how to find freedom by becoming overwhelmed instead with who God is—learning to "treasure in our hearts" what we know about God so that we can hold onto faith even when it seems that all is lost. Get ready to discover how to have an amazingly overwhelming relationship with God! The Leader Guide contains six session plan outlines, complete with discussion points and questions, activities, prayers, and more—plus leader helps for facilitating a group. Other components for the Bible study, available separately, include a Participant Workbook, DVD with six 20-25 minute sessions, and boxed Leader Kit.

At one time or another, every woman has felt overlooked, unimportant, and bruised by the world. But there's good news. While the opinion of others may drag us down, the God who created us has an entirely different opinion of who we are. That's because we are His creations, and everything He created is good! Women today are searching for ways to make a difference in their daily lives. Whether they are working women, stay-at-home moms, or women moving into their retirement years, they all want to be a somebody who makes a positive impact in the world around them. The Bible is filled with "anonymous" women who made a significant impact in God's story. Anonymous helps women discover their uniqueness and significance to Christ by exploring some of the "anonymous" women of the Bible. Though we do not know their names, they all were known and loved by God. Each week of this six-session study begins with an overview of the anonymous woman's story, including background material with relevance to the cultural lifestyles and surroundings of the day. The daily lessons explore her story and the ways that all women can relate to her. Contemporary "anonymous" stories and quotes from everyday women are sprinkled throughout, reinforcing the very personal relevance of this powerful study. Together women will explore and grow in their relationship with Christ as they find their significance in the heart of God. The Leader Guide contains six session plan outlines, complete with discussion points and questions, activities, prayers, and more—plus leader helps for facilitating a group.

"Lord, Teach Us to Pray" Deep with feelings of joy, fear, shame, awe, and at times inconsolable rage, the Psalms help readers express a range of emotions in their prayers and their daily lives. The book of Psalms will broaden and deepen your understanding and experience of prayer by following these examples from our spiritual ancestors. They teach us how to express our hearts to God. Enrich your prayers and know God more deeply as He invites you into this lifelong conversation. LifeChange Bible studies will help you grow in Christlikeness through a life-changing encounter with God's Word. Filled with a wealth of ideas for going deeper so you can return to this study again and again. Features Cover the book of Psalms in 10 lessons Equip yourself to lead a Bible study Imagine the Bible's historical world Study word origins and definitions Explore thoughtful questions on key themes Go deeper with optional projects Add your notes with extra space and wide margins Find the flexibility to fit the time you have

Use your personal faith to spread the health! Health Through Faith and Community is a unique study guide that encourages Christian congregations to enhance the well-being of individual church members as well as society as a whole. Presented as eight study sessions that can be used independently or combined for an in-depth learning process, this notebook-size guide includes unique insights and learning activities from an ecumenical Christian perspective about the physical, mental, social, and environmental aspects of health. This well-referenced book includes more than 50 illustrations, handouts, and figures, as well as numerous resources for prayer, activity, discussion, self-reflection, Bible study, and practical applications that will help connect personal faith with congregations and communities. The study sessions presented in Health Through Faith and Community are arranged in a series that can be easily adapted to adult Sunday school classes, workshops, retreats, and independent study. Sessions focus on individual themes and each builds on the previous one, blending together various learning approaches, including factual information, self-assessment and reflection exercises, small group discussion, and interaction exercises. The book also provides notes and guidelines for a study leader, handouts, overhead projection materials, suggested prayers, and Bible passages, materials for group discussions and exercises, Internet resources, and supplemental activities. Each study session presented in Health Through Faith and Community includes: an opening prayer to reinforce the group's intention to learn together a review of working definitions, concepts, and content, all presented in layperson's terms material from relevant Christian sources—scriptures, personal stories, images, literature, poetry, art introspective activities that can be done in-group settings or privately group interaction—stories, spontaneous dialogue, and interactive exercises a holistic Christian perspective on faith and healing reflections by the session leader on ways to learn more about nurturing well-being in individuals, relationships, and the community The study sessions build to a final session that helps congregations create goals to promote personal and social health in the church community, the local community, and beyond. Health Through Faith and Community is an invaluable resource for pastoral counselors, chaplains, retreat leaders, parish nurses, and faith-based social workers.

This continuation of the Deeper Connections series takes us behind the scenes of main events in Jesus' life to understand what made him extraordinary and to learn how to draw on his transforming power. It is only when we drink deeply from the life of Christ that we can be rescued from our failures and spiritual death."

In this six-session study, award-winning author Philip Yancey probes the very heartbeat—the most fundamental, challenging, perplexing, and deeply rewarding aspect—of our relationship with God: prayer. What is prayer? How does it work? And more importantly, does it work? In theory, prayer is the essential human act, a priceless point of contact between us and the God of the universe. In practice, prayer is often frustrating, confusing, and fraught with mystery. Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? is an exploration of the mysterious intersection where God and humans meet and relate. Designed for use with the video.

The Wesley Covenant Prayer has been used in Methodist services around the world on the first Sunday of the year since John Wesley introduced it in 1755. Wesley expected that people would pray this prayer as a way of remembering, renewing, and surrendering themselves in complete trust to God. When we pray it, we are to remember what living like Jesus looks like and what loving God with all our heart, soul, and mind and loving our neighbor as ourselves requires of us. In The Wesley Prayer Challenge, author Chris Folmsbee invites readers to consider words from the Wesley Covenant Prayer each day for three weeks while reflecting on their meaning in the context of the larger piece. Each day's reading will include scripture, prayer, and a challenge for daily life. Additional components for a three-week study include a comprehensive leader guide and a DVD featuring author Chris Folmsbee.

DVD 1: The Life of Jesus Do you ever feel dead--spiritually dead? Do you ever wonder, "If Christianity is supposed to be so great and Jesus' life was so perfect, why is my life so messed up?" It is only when we drink deeply from the life of Jesus--understanding the main events of his life and teachings--that we can then be rescued. These studies (along with "The Death of Jesus") invite us to see the behind-the-scenes truth of the main events of Jesus' life--so that his life can affect our lives...today...right where we live...in the midst of our weaknesses and failures. With maps and pictures, outlines, key scripture verses, discussion questions, plenty of room for note taking, and a personal five-day Bible study for each session, this participant's guide will help you get the most out of The Life of Jesus, both in your group and in applying what you learn to your life. TAKE A DEEPER LOOK The Deeper Connections series is unique. Unlike any other Bible study available, this visually stunning DVD series is written and taught by biblical experts--six professors with specialized areas of knowledge. Don't let the word deeper scare you. These engaging and accessible studies are for everyone who wants to deepen their understanding of God's Word and apply it more faithfully and effectively. In fact, a full one-third of each study is centered on modern application of Jesus' life and teachings. Hosted by Margaret Feinberg, who introduces each session from Israel, and filmed in locations as diverse as the Rocky Mountains, the Arizona desert, downtown Chicago, and Little Rock, Arkansas, each volume consists of six fascinating sessions. Each session is taught by a different teacher and emphasizes three components: 1. Historical and cultural background 2. An engaging, close look at the biblical text and its meaning 3. Accurate, encouraging, and challenging applications of the Bible's message to life today Are you seeking more from your Bible study? With three hours of teaching per DVD by Bible professors who know how to communicate the world of the biblical text to today's world, "Deeper Connections" will provide the depth for which you have been looking. Through alternating sections of teaching and group discussion or individual reflection, this Bible Study series will allow you to make DEEPER CONNECTIONS with three main areas: 1. Historical Background: Jewish, Old Testament, historical, social, and cultural backgrounds, along with New Testament parallels, will be examined in order to bring out the full and deeper meaning of the biblical text. 2. Biblical Text: Bible professors who teach this subject matter in Bible colleges and seminaries will teach the biblical text. This is not a study filled only with entertaining stories. It gets at the real meaning of the text through stimulating teaching. 3. Real-life Application: Challenging and accurate applications that come directly out of the biblical text will help you to live the truth of the Bible in today's difficult world. Dr. Darrell Bock, Dallas Theological Seminary Dr. Gary Burge, Wheaton College Dr. Scott Duvall, Ouachita Baptist Seminary Prof. Susan Hecht, Denver Seminary Dr. Mark Strauss, Bethel Seminary Dr. Matt Williams, Biola University

Eleven profound prayers teach you the essence of faith and petition. If you're like many believers, you long to pray better, to shake off your dullness of spirit and encounter God more intimately. You want to pray with the courage of Abraham, to beseech God with the courage Moses, but.... There are many examples in the Bible of men and women who prayed fervent, effective prayers that God answered. That's the question: What kinds of prayers does God answer? What kind of faith does God respond to? This book examines in considerable depth eleven amazing prayers. Some are short, others lengthy, but each has something important to teach us. You'll study key prayers of Jesus, Paul, Moses, Abraham, David, Hezekiah, Daniel, and Nehemiah. The aim of this study is to help you develop in prayer, increase your faith, and move you into a new plane of communication with your Father in heaven. However, this is not a course in learning to manipulate God to get your way. It is a study of who God is and how He responds to his children's petitions. Thus it will help you adopt His own heart as you petition your Father. As you model your prayers and your faith after the exemplars put before you in God's holy Word, you'll gradually learn to take your place as one of Jesus' disciples whose prayers move heaven and earth. The book contains 11 lessons that can be used for personal enrichment and by small groups and classes. Preachers and teachers will also find a lot of their word study research done for them, with a number of illustrations and insights for lessons and sermons.

Jesus demonstrated the presence and power of God by performing miracles. He turned water into wine, healed the sick, calmed the storm, opened blind eyes, and raised the dead. While these beloved stories draw our attention to divine power, they also have something else in common: human desperation. Every time we see Jesus performing a miracle, we also get a glimpse into the gift of desperation, a gift that opens us to the dramatic power of God through our desperate need for him. In this six-week Bible study, Jessica LaGrone leads us in a captivating exploration of the miracles of Jesus, helping us to see that our weakness is an invitation for God to work powerfully in our lives and reminding us that we need God on our best days just as much as we do on our worst. Themes and miracle stories include: the gift of desperation (turning water into wine and other signs of God's response of fullness in our times of emptiness) the miracle of abundance (feeding the 5,000 and other abundance stories) miracles on the water (calming the storm, walking on water, the abundant catch) Jesus our healer (5 stories of healing) death and resurrection (Lazarus, Jairus' daughter) the miracle we all receive (the Incarnation) The Leader Guide contains six session plan outlines, complete with discussion points and questions, activities, prayers, and more—plus leader helps for facilitating a

group. Other components for the Bible study, available separately, include a Participant Workbook, DVD with six 20-25 minute sessions, and boxed Leader Kit.

The included Prayers are all experientially focussed with sensory components across the five senses of Sight, Taste, Touch, Smell and Hearing. Within each chapter there are 35 different prayers including five in each of the following sections; Praise & Adoration, Thanksgiving, Confession, Intercession, Petition/Supplication, Responding, as well as prayers which combine the different types. Notes are provided on using each prayer in a variety of different settings including prayers stations, as an individual and in small and large groups such as churches. Other information such as visual images relating to the prayer are included. The 175 prayers included in each book are all tagged with keywords and hashtags to help with finding the right prayer. There are several indexes. There's also opening chapters on some of the theory behind using experiential prayer too. This is a great book for the worship leader or curator of worship experiences. It's also suitable for use by individuals or small groups for personal prayer.

Prayer was the backbone of Jesus' life and ministry. From his baptism to his crucifixion, the Gospels portray Jesus as a man of prayer who knew and deeply valued intimate communion with his heavenly Father. What can we learn from the prayers he prayed? In six engaging, interactive small group sessions, this Deep Connection DVD helps you explore the prayers of Jesus to gain new insights into prayer, the character of God, and how to deepen your relationship with him. With maps and pictures, outlines, key Scripture verses, discussion questions, plenty of room for note taking, and a personal five-day Bible study for each session, this participant's guide will help you get the most out of The Prayers of Jesus, both in your group and in applying what you learn to your life.

This Miracles of Jesus DVD participant guide includes maps and pictures, outlines, key Scripture verses, discussion questions, plenty of room for note taking, and a personal five-day Bible study for each session. The guide will help you get the most out of The Miracles of Jesus DVD study, both in your group and in applying what you learn to your life.

This set includes 10 Keys for Unlocking the Bible, 10 Keys for Unlocking the Bible Participant's Guide, and 10 Keys for Unlocking the Bible Leader's Guide. If you're just beginning to explore the rewards of Bible study, here is the perfect introduction! Colin S. Smith has drawn from all four volumes of his work, Unlocking the Bible Story, to create this fascinating and thought-provoking guide. Using ten key words from his books, he leads the reader through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, and opens doors to further inspiration. 10 Keys offers a bridge to his series, and is also a wonderful stand-alone book of revitalizing truths. The Participant's Guide is a great tool to help you follow along with the video by offering background information, outlines, summaries, charts, discussion questions--everything you need to make your sessions as rewarding as they can possibly be. The Leader's Guide will help you enhance your group discussions. It covers group logistics and planning, and it gives you important highlights and teaching points for all ten sessions.

"If your soul is dry and your prayers are dead, here is living water to revive and refresh you." — David Murray Jesus's ministry on earth as a human was marked by a devotion to prayer.

Through his prayer life, we see what it means to truly depend on God. Examining all of Jesus's prayers recorded in the New Testament, this book reflects on the content and structure of the Son of God's words to his Father— helping us imitate his example as we commune with our heavenly Father as adopted sons and daughters in Christ.

The Circle Maker, a dynamic four-session small group Bible study (DVD/digital video sold separately), uses the story of Honi the Circle Maker, who prayer-walked until the rains came during a devastating first Century drought. This Participant Guide provides individual and group activities, between session personal studies, and additional background material that will enhance the experience of the video on The Circle Maker DVD (sold separately). This story helps you and your entire church begin to identify dreams and future miracles you can draw prayer circles around. God, who still looks for circle makers whose bold prayers defy human convention and invoke divine intervention is waiting for those prayers... Mark Batterson not only teaches about big dreams and bold prayers, he lives it. With stories of Honi, as well as reflections on modern day miracles as a result of prayer, this participant's guide will help you identify, discuss and put into practice the dreams and future miracles you need to draw circles around. Sessions include: 1. Becoming a Circle Maker 2. Little People, Big Risks, and Huge Circles 3. Praying Hard and Praying Through 4. Praying is Like Planting Designed for use with The Circle Maker Video Study (sold separately).

This ... faith formation program introduces young Catholic adolescents to Jesus Christ in a new way and inspires them to follow him. Fostering the faith of young adolescents involves helping them to make connections between the Catholic faith and everyday life.

This participant's guide will help you to understand, personalize, and apply the powerful, life-changing concepts described in the six video sessions of When God's People Pray Small Group DVD. It includes questions to think about, session outlines with room for note-taking, discussion questions, Bible studies, a prayer journal, and more. Prayer can change lives and circumstances like nothing else can. What are the keys that unlock its power, that turn prayer from a mere activity into a vital link with God and all his resources? In When God's People Pray, Jim Cymbala, pastor of Brooklyn Tabernacle, shows you and your small group truths about prayer that God has used to turn his own church from a tiny, struggling inner-city congregation into a vital, thriving community of believers who pray with passion, focus, and faith. Featuring teachings by Jim Cymbala and video interviews of ordinary people who have received extraordinary answers to their prayers, these six sessions will help you pray with new confidence. Six sessions [Show thumbnails for the following sessions.] God's Heart for Us The Amazing Power of Prayer Obedience in Prayer The Word of God and Prayer Why Prayer Matters Creating a Prayer Ministry in Your Church

"This unique, in-depth look at the prayers of Jesus will give you new insights into prayer, the character of God, and how to deepen your relationship with him."--DVD cover.

Barb's surrender principles free us from the need to control others and from anger or frustration over life's disappointing and hurtful circumstances. As a Bible study teacher, I highly recommend this study. — Janet Holm McHenry, best-selling author of twenty-four books including Prayer- Walk and The Compete Guide to the Prayers of Jesus Learn How to Surrender Like Jesus. Are you facing a problem in life that you just can't fix, no matter what you do? Perhaps you've heard the phrase "Let go and let God." But it's easier said than done. Is it possible that giving up on what you can't change is God's path to peace for your life? In this six-week Bible study of Jesus in the wilderness, Barb explores Jesus' time of testing and contrasts it with the Israelites' failures in the wilderness. As you learn from Jesus' example, you'll discover six principles that will equip you to let God lead you

to victory despite your circumstances as you deal with the problems and pain you are facing: 1. Recognize You Can't Handle It 2. Stop Following Your Feelings 3. Give Up Control and Reach for God 4. Embrace God's Better Blessing 5. Let Go of Fear 6. Experience the Blessings of a Surrendered Life If you're tired of following your feelings or being disappointed by unchanging circumstances, learn how to surrender like Jesus and experience God's power and peace in your life as never before. Other components for the Bible study, available separately, include a Leader Guide and DVD. Bible Study Features: A six-week study of Jesus in the wilderness. Helps women find the path of peace through genuine surrender, following the example of Jesus. Workbook includes five lessons for every week of study. DVD features dynamic, engaging teaching in six 20-minute segments. Praise for Surrendered Surrendered is the antidote for women like me who struggle with the dreaded c-word, control. Through rich biblical teaching, vulnerable personal stories, and gentle (but insistent) beckoning, Barb Roose leads us to a new place of freedom through trust in God. Finally . . . we can learn to release our white-knuckled grip and rest. —Amy Carroll, Proverbs 31 Ministries speaker and writer, author of *Breaking Up with Perfect* and *Exhale* This study is full of transformative principles to free you from the grip of control. Whether you are tempted to flee difficult circumstances, fix outcomes, or force your way forward, Barb lays out a clear path to experience God's lasting peace, power, and provision as you live surrendered to Him. —Katie M. Reid, author of *Made Like Martha*, Bible teacher, and host of *The Martha + Mary Show* podcast In this study, you'll be learning from a friend who is familiar with the painful parts of life and a guide who has traveled the hard road of surrender. She won't lead you astray; she'll lead you straight to the heart of God. —Tiffany Bluhm, speaker, podcaster, and author of *She Dreams*

Healer of diseases. Master of nature. Conqueror of demons and death. Jesus not only preached the kingdom of God in word, but he demonstrated it in power through his miraculous deeds. In six engaging, interactive small group sessions, this Deep Connection DVD gives you a unique, in-depth look at the miracles of Jesus will open your eyes to their impact on the lives he touched, what they reveal about God's heart, and their significance for us today. With maps and pictures, outlines, key Scripture verses, discussion questions, plenty of room for note taking, and a personal five-day Bible study for each session, this participant's guide will help you get the most out of *The Miracles of Jesus*, both in your group and in applying what you learn to your life.

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