



OTHER RESOURCES

Living the Questions is a 12-week DVD and web-based small group program of Christian exploration and spiritual formation.” It features: Ammerman, Bell, Borg, Carcaño, Cobb, Jr., Crossan, Geering, Park, Patterson, Sample, Spong and Townes



Lady Wisdom goes out in the street and shouts. At the town center she makes her speech. In the middle of the traffic she takes her stand. At the busiest corner she calls out:

“...Good friends,
take to heart what I'm telling you;
collect my counsels
and guard them with your life.
Turn your ears to the world of
Wisdom;
set your heart on a life of
understanding.

That's right—
if you make insight your priority,
and won't take no for an answer,
Searching for it like a prospector
panning for gold,
like an adventurer on a treasure hunt,
Believe me, before you know it ...
you'll have come upon the Knowledge
of God. . .”
(Prov. 1 & 2 selected verses—*The Message*)

FROM THE UNITED CHURCH

[http://www.united-church.ca/getinvolved/
unitedforpeace/resources](http://www.united-church.ca/getinvolved/unitedforpeace/resources)

🎬 United for Peace DVD is two-DVD set with five-session study guide. Each one-hour session provides an opportunity to reflect on a wide range of ways in which people in Canada and around the world are integrating their faith with working for peace. Available from UCRD and AVEL.

📖 Committed to Justice, United for Peace is a seven session study. How are we called to build peace today? Biblical passages are explored in light of the ongoing Israel/Palestine conflict, nuclear disarmament, small arms, and the "War on Terror" as they affect Canada and the world.

🗣️ A New Day: Peacemaking Stories and Activities offers five original stories by Carolyn Pogue accompanied by games, crafts, and supplementary information. Available for \$14.95 from UCRD.

Toward Daring Discipleship



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The United Church of Canada

Summer 2009 a place of exploration

The newcomer in our midst may be baffled by our traditions, feel uneducated in the biblical knowledge and stories we take for granted, and feel truly an outsider in the face of our sense of community.



To share our lives and our journeys with each other enriches both the church and the un-church. Together we then build the safe, hospitable and inclusive community where God's radical grace is experienced and none feel excluded, belittled, ignorant or clumsy.

**START WITH GOD—THE FIRST STEP IN LEARNING IS BOWING DOWN TO GOD; ONLY FOOLS
THUMB THEIR NOSES AT SUCH WISDOM AND LEARNING** PROVERBS 1:7 THE MESSAGE



Exploring Faith Questions

Journeys of Spirituality and Discovery

By Anne Martin

A resource for new Christians or anyone wishing to explore again pivotal questions of faith and the Christian Life. It describes itself thus:

“This resource helps participants become more aware of their own faith journey, deepen their faith and relationship with God, find support for their faith journey and for the journey of others, discover how faith challenges us to live compassionately and to seek justice in the world.”

The study is centered around thirteen questions.

Jesus 24/7

By David Bruce

Unchurched, somewhat churched, and much churched people can gather together around this new study guide. It describes itself thus:

“Short Course in Faith for the Questing Christian lifts up Christianity in light of difficult questions that hover around 21st-century thinking ... David Bruce makes Christian learnings and topics of theological debate accessible to all.”

Twelve study sessions and 12 take-home exercises are packaged in a workbook format.



Jesus 24/7 for Youth –A short course in Christian Faith for the Questing Youth

Originally written for a Confirmation class, this study guide is adaptable for various venues. *“more than a book. It’s a... text... workbook...group process...resource file...”*

Beginnings

an introduction to Christian faith

By Andy Langford and Mark Ralls

This is a small group study (9-12 week) written for adults who are seeking a more intentional walk with God and a deepened relationship. It describes itself thus:

“Beginnings is a program of the church universal that fulfills our ancient task of sharing the first courses of the gospel feast.”

Accessible and inclusive, the resource offers DVD/Video resources, Director’s Manual, Small-Group leaders Guide, participants Guide and Companion.

(display sample available for viewing through Lorna MacQueen at the Conference Office)

