

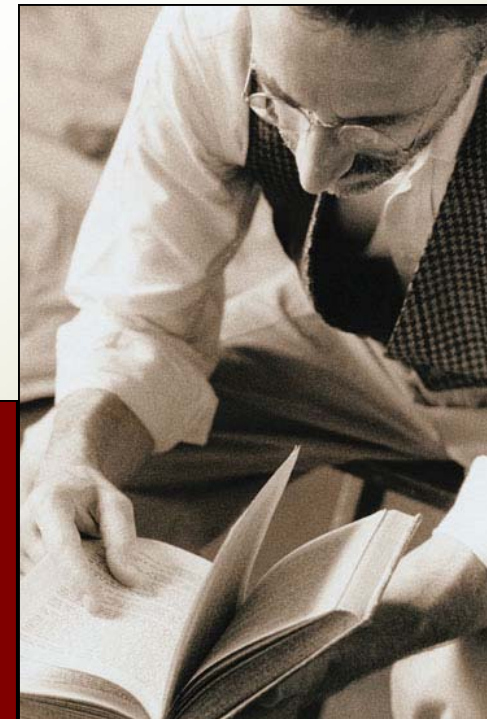
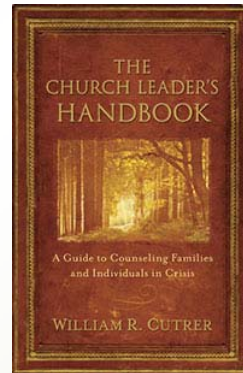
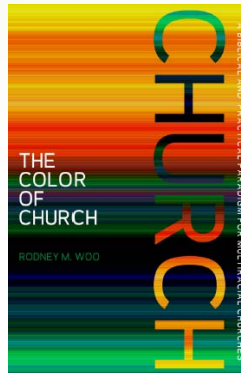
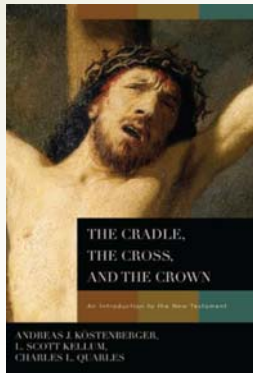
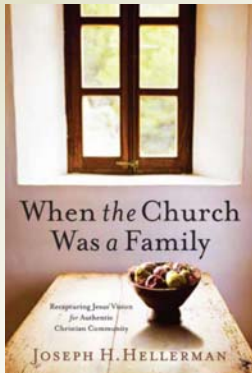


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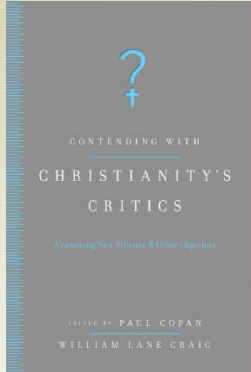
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* *Contending with Christianity's Critics* is book two in a series on modern Christian apologetics that began with the popular *Passionate Conviction*. This second installment, featuring writings from eighteen respected apologists such as Gary Habermas and Ben Witherington, addresses challenges from noted New Atheists like Richard Dawkins (*The God Delusion*) and other contemporary critics of Christianity concerning belief in God, the historical Jesus, and Christianity's doctrinal coherence.

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Paul Copan is a professor and the Pledger Family Chair of Philosophy and Ethics at Palm Beach Atlantic University in West Palm Beach, Florida. **William Lane Craig** is research professor of Philosophy at Talbot School of Theology in La Mirada, California.

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*Deep Preaching:
Creating Sermons that Go Beyond the Superficial*

By J. Kent Edwards (B&H Academic)
Retail Price - \$19.99 (Paperback - ISBN 9780805446951)

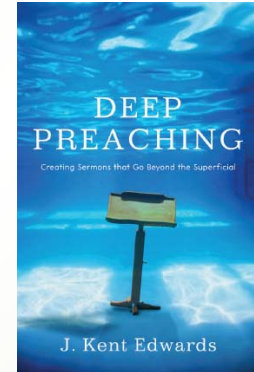
* J. Kent Edwards recalls a story that late pastor J. Vernon McGee told about seeing children in South Africa playing a game of marbles in the dust with real diamonds. The precious stones were being handled with no regard for their true worth. Edwards fears the same thing happens today when preachers offer Scriptural truth to listeners without being completely overwhelmed by its greatness themselves in the process.

Deep Preaching is his call to “rethink” preaching. Edwards helps preachers learn to preach the word in ways that will powerfully change the lives of hearers. He contends that sermons “need not settle comfortably on the lives of the listeners like dust on a coffee table.” He encourages preachers to join him in casting off the lines that moor their ministries to the status-quo and make every effort to steer their preaching out of the “comfortable shallows.” He urges them to preach deep sermons rather than superficial ones, moving “beyond the yawn-inspiring to the awe-inspiring, from the trite to the transforming.”

J. Kent Edwards is professor of Preaching and Leadership and director of the Doctor of Ministry program at Talbot School of Theology, the seminary of Biola University in La Mirada, California.

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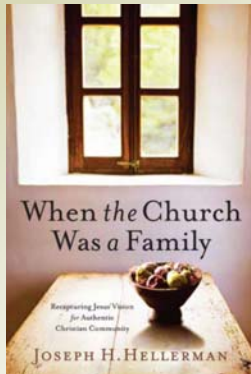
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When the Church Was a Family: Recapturing Jesus' Vision for Authentic Christian Community

By Joseph H. Hellerman (B&H Academic)

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* Spiritual formation occurs first in the context of community. But as the modern cultural norm of what social scientists call “radical American individualism” extends itself, many Christians grow lax in their relational accountability to the church. Faith threatens to become an “I” not “us,” a “my God” not “our God” concern.

When the Church Was a Family calls believers back to the wisdom of the first century, examining the early Christian church from a socio-historical perspective and applying the findings to the evangelical church in America today. With confidence, author Joseph Hellerman writes intentionally to traditional church leaders and emerging church visionaries alike, believing what is detailed here about Jesus’ original vision for authentic Christian community will deeply satisfy the relational longings of both audiences.

“I do not know of a single resource on the New Testament and the contemporary importance of community and family that is so well resourced and easy to read as Hellerman’s *When the Church was a Family*. Its pages brim with deeply moving, hope-filled points and insightful practical application.”

— **J. P. Moreland**, author of *Kingdom Triangle*

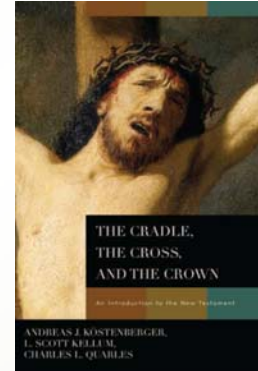
Joseph H. Hellerman is professor of New Testament at Biola University in La Mirada, California, and helps pastor Oceanside Christian Fellowship in El Segundo.

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The Cradle, the Cross, and the Crown: An Introduction to the New Testament

By Andreas J. Köstenberger, L. Scott Kellum, & Charles L. Quarles
Retail Price - \$59.99 (Hardback - ISBN 9780805443653 - B&H Academic)

* Although Scripture cannot be reduced to a mere piece of human writing, there is much to gain by paying careful attention to the historical, literary, and theological dimensions of the biblical text. For this reason, *The Cradle, the Cross, and the Crown* is offered to the serious New Testament student who seeks to better understand and share God's "word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15). Across nearly one thousand pages, it thoroughly introduces all twenty-seven New Testament books and closely examines Christ's incarnation and virgin birth, the heart of His ministry shown so vividly in the Gospels' Passion Narratives, and the triumphant return of Jesus and our eternal reign with Him as depicted in Revelation.



Andreas J. Köstenberger is professor of New Testament and the director of Ph.D. Studies at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary (SEBTS) in Wake Forest, North Carolina. **L. Scott Kellum** is associate professor of New Testament and Greek at SEBTS. **Charles L. Quarles** is vice president for Integration of Faith and Learning, professor of New Testament and Greek, and chairs the division of Christian Studies at Louisiana College in Pineville, Louisiana.

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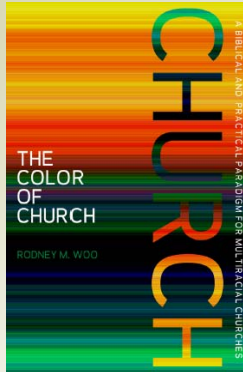
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Note to professors: The publisher is preparing two PowerPoint presentations to accompany this book. One is designed for a one semester course and the other is designed for a two semester course. These presentations are **FREE** when you adopt the book for your course. [Click here to download a sample of these Power Point slides.](#)

*The Color of Church:
A Biblical Paradigm for Multiracial Churches*

By Rodney M. Woo (B&H Academic)

Retail Price - \$24.99 (Paperback - ISBN 9780805448399)



* In this thought-provoking book, Rodney Woo establishes a biblical foundation for multiracial ministry, provides a clear picture of the current reality of the relationship amongst the races in our society and churches, and offers practical guidance to help implement multiethnic ministry. Woo takes the reader step-by-step through the multiracial transformation of a congregation.

He writes from experience having helped change his church from an all Anglo declining congregation in a transitional neighborhood into a multiracial congregation that is now more than sixty-five percent non white with more than forty-four different countries represented.

“An astonishing book that encourages those who are currently involved in multiracial ministry, as well as those who are getting a glimpse of the vision. It inspires us to dream, challenges us to defeat racism, and motivates us to seek racial reconciliation. As an African-American pastor who is attempting to lead his church to become multiracial, I highly endorse this book.”

—**Tony Mathews**, senior pastor, North Garland Baptist Fellowship (TX)

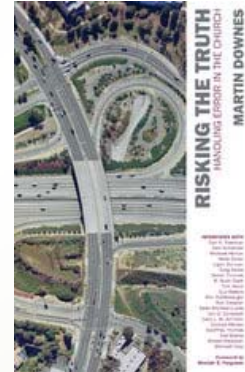
Rodney M. Woo is the senior pastor of Wilcrest Baptist Church in Houston, Texas, and a professor at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (SWBTS) and Houston Baptist University.

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*Risking the Truth:
Handling Error in the Church*

Edited by Martin Downes (Christian Focus Publishers)
Retail Price - \$14.99 (Paperback - ISBN 9781845502843)

* A collection of interviews on handling truth and error in the church. Contributors reflect on this issue in relation to the minister's own life, pulpit ministry, local church leadership, seminary training, denominations, the impact of the academy, Evangelicalism, contemporary trends, history, creeds and confessions, and doctrines that are currently under attack. There is also personal reflection on these matters, lessons drawn from experience, and practical advice. The interviews are introduced by a primer on heresy and false teaching, and concluded with a chapters on why “Being Against Heresies is not enough” and “What really matters in ministry: directives for church leaders in Acts 20.”

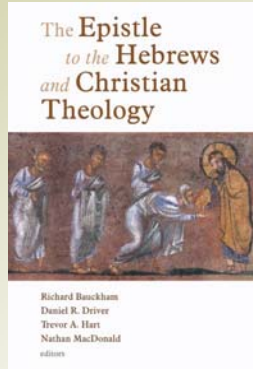


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The Church Leader's Handbook: A Guide to Counseling Families and Individuals in Crisis

By William R. Cutrer (Kregel Academic)

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* In order to meet the needs of individuals and families, the effective pastor and church leader will prepare in advance to address not only the routine duties of pastor care, but also the emotion-packed, life-altering traumas that overwhelm one's ability to cope. *The Church Leader's Handbook* does just that - it equips ministry leaders to wisely guide others through life's stages, while competently and lovingly coming alongside those caught in unexpected and crushing circumstances.

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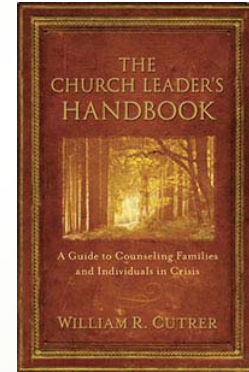
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