

Short-term & Long-term Bible studies and Covenant Small Groups... in classrooms at church & in homes. (See 2 pages...)

Our unique opportunities change each year to reflect and respond to the current interests and needs of the congregation and contemporary call to discipleship.

Some examples include:



The Disciple Bible Study Series 1-4

DISCIPLE

BECOMING DISCIPLES
THROUGH BIBLE STUDY

Over 30 weeks each of intensive, enriching, life changing study!

I. Foundational overview of the Bible from Creation to the New Jerusalem

II. Deeper examination of Genesis, Exodus, Luke & Acts

III. O.T. Prophets & Letters of Paul

IV. O.T. writings, Gospel of John, Epistles of John, James.

Jude, & Revelation

Disciple Fast Track *Maintains the integrity and principles of the original study, but its modifications can better meet the needs of a hectic world. Participants still receive a thorough introduction to the Bible, but in almost a third less time.*

Jesus in the Gospels *Illuminates some aspect of the Jesus in the Gospels each week and connects Scripture to daily life and Jesus' call to discipleship. The overarching aim is to deepen discipleship through better understanding of the biblical texts and to understand that Jesus, Christianity and the New Testament are rooted in Judaism!*

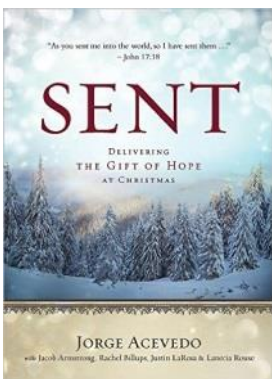
Annual ADVENT & LENTEN Studies

Movies and the Cross ~ Themes shared in both scripture and film, merged together to study God's presence with us in Jesus Christ's passion over 2000 years ago and still today on the journey of faith through sacrifice and love.

Journey to Bethlehem ~ Adam Hamilton *Using historical information, archaeological data, and a personal look at some of the stories surrounding the birth, the most amazing moment in history will become more real and heart-felt as you walk along this road.*

24 Hours that Changed the World ~ Adam Hamilton *No single event in human history has received more attention than the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. In this Lenten journey, Adam Hamilton guides us through the last twenty-four hours of Jesus' life.*

The God We Can Know ~ RobFuquay *One by one, Jesus' statements grab our imagination, reveal more about his identity and purpose, and connect us to the God of Moses, who spoke the first "I Am." These significant yet ordinary images (bread, light, shepherd, vine, and more) give us insightful ways to experience Jesus and point us to a God who wants to be known.*

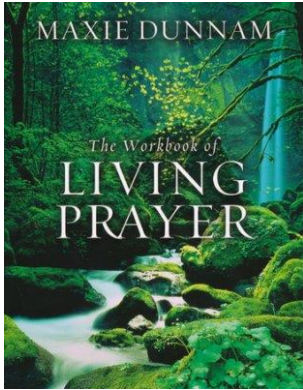


Our 2016 Advent Study ~ SENT ~ Jorge Acevedo

As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them . . . —John 17:18 God sent Christ into the world as our Savior. That's what Christmas is all about. In turn, Christ sends us into the world. But do we really understand how, where, and why we are sent? This five-week, churchwide Advent study challenges us through story, art, and Bible study to discover what it means to be Christ's hands, feet, head, and heart.

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Topical Studies such as.....



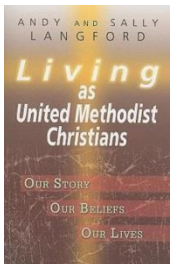
Living Prayer ~ Maxie Dunnam

*In over two decades, nearly half a million persons have been reawakened to prayer by using *The Workbook of Living Prayer*. One of the best-selling groups resources ever published, this workbook teaches us to pray in a simple, practical way. Updated and revised, this six-week, personal adventure in prayer will strengthen a new generation of prayers as well as those who have used it before.*

Disability Theology ~ A Bible study held at the nearby Rideability Therapeutic Riding Center. *What does the Bible say about healing and wholeness? This study looks at four different passages in Luke's Gospel that speak of healing and wrestles with the scriptures to discover how God is calling all to live in harmony.*

\$\$\$ Financial Management Studies ~ Dave Ramsey, Crown Ministries, etc.

Studies in United Methodists Theology



For example: Living as United Methodist Christians ~ Langford

Pastors Andy and Sally Langford take a unique approach in this six session study by looking at how United Methodists claim and live their faith as individuals and as a denomination. Through the study we gain insight into The UMC beliefs and practices.

Three Simple Rules ~ Ruben Job *In Three Simple Rules, Rueben Job offers an interpretation of John Wesley's General Rules for today's readers. For individual reading or group study, this insightful work calls us to mutual respect, unity and a deeper daily relationship with God. This simple but challenging look at three commands, "do no harm, do good, stay in love with God."*

Studies in all four Gospels ~ Taught periodically by one of our three pastors.

Marriage Enrichment (examples)~ Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage
The Art of Staying in Love
Invest in Your Marriage

Women's & Men's Special Interest Studies

Covenant Groups ~ *FUMC is in the process of creating small home groups to nurture Christian relationships and to challenge us in our Christian discipleship through sharing, listening, accountability, and support on the journey ~ learning, growing, celebrating together.*