

Almost daily I am asked, "Pastor, what is a good book that I can read to help me grow spiritually?" Below are 10 books that I believe every Christian ought to read if they want to grow in their walk with Christ. There are many more good books that you can find in the church's **Book Nook** but these are my top 10 plus 5 more!!

The following 10 are basic and will always be books that I recommend:

1. ***Knowing God***, by J.I. Packer, InterVarsity Press
2. ***The Cross Centered Life***, by C. J. Mahaney, Multnomah Publishers
3. ***The Gospel According to Jesus***, by John MacArthur, Zondervan
4. ***Trusting God (Even When Life Hurts)***, by Jerry Bridges, Navpress
5. ***The Holiness of God***, by R.C. Sproul, Tyndale
6. ***Evangelism & the Sovereignty of God***, by J.I. Packer, IVP
7. ***Tell The Truth***, by Will Metzger, IVP
8. ***Basic Christianity***, by John R.W. Stott, IVP
9. ***Amusing Ourselves to Death***, Neil Postman, Penguin Books (secular, but will make you think)
10. ***Systematic Theology***, by Wayne Grudem, Zondervan (this book is perhaps the best written in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. A great reference book)

There are new books being written that are clear in their presentation of Truth and the Gospel:

1. ***The God Who is There: Finding Your Place in God's Story***, by D.A. Carson, Baker Books
2. ***Counterfeit Gods***, Timothy Keller, Dutton
3. ***Election & Free Will: God's Gracious Choice & Our Responsibility***, Robert A. Peterson, P&R Books.
4. ***Christ-Centered Worship: Letting the Gospel Shape Our Practice***, Bryan Chapell, Baker Academic
5. ***Voices from the Past: Puritan Devotional Readings***, Richard Rushing, editor, Banner of Truth Trust