

D-Groups Suggested Resources

Stage 1 — New Believer / Foundations

Goal: Understand the gospel, learn the basics of the Christian faith, begin reading Scripture, and establish foundational spiritual disciplines.

Resource	Author	Category	Notes
Gospel Fluency (+ Study Guide)	Jeff Vanderstelt	Gospel	Living in light of the gospel
Knowing God	J. I. Packer	Theology	The character and attributes of God
20 Christian Beliefs	Wayne Grudem	Theology	Accessible systematic theology
Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life	Donald Whitney	Christian Living	Prayer, Bible reading, worship
How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth	Gordon Fee & Douglas Stuart	Bible Study	Principles of interpretation
Basic Christianity	John Stott	Gospel	Excellent for seekers or new believers
The Valley of Vision	Puritan collection	Prayer	Devotional prayers
High Quest Series	The Navigators	Bible Study	Personal discipleship

Milestone: Comfortable explaining the gospel, reading the Bible regularly, praying consistently, and participating in the local church.

Stage 2 — Growing Disciple

Goal: Deepen doctrinal understanding, pursue holiness, and become rooted in the life of the church.

Resource	Author	Category	Notes
Desiring God	John Piper	Christian Living	Joy in God
The Knowledge of the Holy	A.W. Tozer	Theology	Doctrine of God
Delighting in the Trinity	Michael Reeves	Theology	Doctrine of God
The Holiness of God	R. C. Sproul	Theology	God's character
9Marks Booklets	Various	Church	Short topical studies
The Gospel Comes with a House Key	Rosaria Butterfield	Evangelism	Hospitality- based evangelism
Let the Nations be Glad!	John Piper	Missions	The Great Commission
An Orthodox Catechism	Hercules Collins	Doctrine	Baptist catechism

Milestone: Demonstrates consistent spiritual growth, understands the basic doctrines of the faith, serves faithfully in the church, and shares the gospel with others.

Stage 3 — Maturing Disciple

Goal: Develop theological depth, strengthen convictions, and cultivate Christlike wisdom.

Resource	Author	Category	Notes
Invisible Hand	R. C. Sproul	Theology	God's sovereignty and divine providence
What Is Reformed Theology?	R. C. Sproul	Theology	Reformed distinctives
The Pilgrim's Progress	John Bunyan	Christian Life	Classic allegory
The Bruised Reed	Richard Sibbes	Christian Life	Encouragement for weary believers
The 1689 (Second London Baptist Confession)	1689 Federalists	Doctrine	Confessional theology
Compass	Compass Financial Ministry	Stewardship	Biblical finances
Living by the Book	Howard Hendricks	Bible Study	Advanced Bible study methods

Milestone: Able to disciple younger believers, articulate sound doctrine, and apply Scripture wisely to everyday life.

Stage 4 — Leadership Development

Goal: Equip qualified men and women to disciple others and prepare men for church leadership.

Leadership Resources	Author	Notes
XL Leadership Material	Various	Church leadership training
Humility	CJ Mahaney	Church leadership
Leading With Love	Alexander Strauch	Church leadership
Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands	Paul David Tripp	Counseling & discipleship
A Modern Exposition of the 1689 Baptist Confession	Samuel Waldron	Confessional theology

Advanced Theology Resources	Author	Notes
Systematic Theology	Wayne Grudem	Comprehensive theology
Reformed Dogmatics	Herman Bavinck	Advanced theology
Institutes of the Christian Religion	John Calvin	Classic Reformed theology
The Mortification of Sin	John Owen	Battling indwelling sin

Milestone: Faithfully teaches Scripture, discipulates others, and demonstrates the biblical character required for leadership.

Specialized Tracks

Resources for use at any stage as particular needs arise.

Coming soon...

- Men
- Women
- Singles
- Marriage
- Parenting & Family Worship
- Young Adults
- Senior Adults
- Bible Studies
- Apologetics
- Spiritual Disciplines
- Work & Stewardship
- Time Management
- Sexual Purity
- Holiness & Sanctification
- Suffering & Trials
- Grieving
- Ethics
- Technology & Media