

# Leader Helps & Resources

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These resources have been recommended by highly trusted women leaders who have credentials and experience in training other leaders.

## Bible Study Helps to purchase online

- Borowski, Oded. [\*Daily Life in Biblical Times\*](#), Society of Biblical Literature, 2003.
- Eastman, Natalie. [\*Women, Leadership, and the Bible: How Do I Know What to Believe? A Practical Guide to Biblical Interpretation\*](#). Cascade Books, 2014.
- Fee, Gordon D. & Douglas Stuart. [\*How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth\*](#), 4th Edition. Zondervan, 2014.
- [The IVP Bible Background Commentaries](#)
- Yarbrough, Mark. [\*How to Read the Bible like a Seminary Professor: A Practical and Entertaining Exploration of the World's Most Famous Book\*](#). FaithWords, 2015.

## Bible Teaching/Preaching BOW's free helps

- [Know your Audience!](#) video with Susie Hawkins, Kristen Pool, & Kay Daigle
- [Why Use Live Teachers, not Video?](#) video with Susie Hawkins, Kristen Pool, & Kay Daigle
- [Should I be a Bible Teacher?](#) video with Susie Hawkins, Kristen Pool, & Kay Daigle
- [Step by Step Teaching Process](#) video series with Susie Hawkins, Kristen Pool, & Kay Daigle

## Resources available for purchase

- Kuruvilla, Abraham. [\*Privilege the Text!: A Theological Hermeneutic for Preaching\*](#). Moody, 2013. (Excellent but must be digested slowly.)
- Mathews, Alice. [\*Preaching that Speaks to Women\*](#). Baker Academic, 2003. (Available as an e-book or from small booksellers.)
- Roese, Jackie. [\*She Can Teach: Empowering Women to Teach the Scriptures Effectively\*](#). Wipf & Stock Publishers, 2013.
- Shuster, Marguerite, Richard Allen Farmer, and Haddon Robinson. ["What Sermon Illustrations should be Banned from Pulpits?"](#) Christianity Today, June 2014.

## Choosing Christian books and studies

- ["The Aroma of Influence"](#) blog: search topic "choosing material"
- Free BOW video series: [Choosing Trustworthy Resources](#) with Nika Spaulding
- Christian classics by people like Augustine, Calvin, and Spurgeon
- The creeds such as The Apostle's Creed and The Nicene Creed

# Conflict Resolution

## Free Online Helps

- [“The Aroma of Influence”](#) blog: search “conflict,” “reconciliation” and topic Living in the American Culture
- BOW’s [“Fight Right” video series](#) with Oletha Barnett
- BOW’s series [“Helping Leaders Survive & Thrive through Conflict”](#) with Dr. Sue Edwards
- [Peacemaker Ministries](#)

## Other Resources

- Barthel, Tara Klena and Judy Dabler. [Peacemaking Women: Biblical Hope for Resolving Conflict](#). Baker Books: 2005.
- Braiker, Harriet. [The Disease to Please: Curing the People-Pleasing Syndrome](#). McGraw-Hill, 2001.
- Cloud, Henry. [Necessary Endings: The Employees, Businesses, and Relationships that All of Us Have to Give Up to Move Forward](#). Harper-Collins, 2011.
- Cloud, Henry and John Townsend. [How to Have that Difficult Conversation: Gaining the Skills for Honest and Meaningful Communication](#). Harper-Collins, 2015.
- Edwards, Sue, and Kelly Mathews. [Leading Women Who Wound: Strategies for an Effective Ministry](#). Moody, 2009.
- Sande, Ken. [The Peacemaker: A Biblical Guide to Resolving Personal Conflict 3rd Edition](#)., Baker Books, 2004.
- Sande, Ken, and Johnson, Kevin. [Resolving Everyday Conflict](#). Baker Books, 2015.
- Shelley, Marshall. [Ministering to Problem People in your Church: What to Do with Well-Intentioned Dragons](#). Bethany House, 2013.
- Swindoll, Charles R. [The Grace Awakening: Believing in Grace is One Thing. Living It is Another](#). W. Publishing Group, 2003.
- Stone, Douglas, Bruce Patton, and Sheila Heen. [Difficult Conversations: How to Discuss What Matters Most](#). Penguin Books, 2010.

# Cultural Issues

## Millennials

### BOW’s Free Resources

- [Barna research and data](#)
- BOW’s video series: [Understanding Millennials: the Good, the Bad, and the Ministry](#) with Nika Spaulding.

### Other Resources

- [Defining Millennials & generations](#) from Pew Research
- Eaton, Sam. [12 Reasons Millennials are Over Church](#).
- [Millennials: Coming of Age](#) Defining the group
- Sinek, Simon. [Millennials in the Workforce, a Generation of Weakness](#).

## Racial Reconciliation

### BOW's Free Help

- ["The Aroma of Influence"](#) blog: click topic "living in the American culture" or search "reconciliation"
- [Leading toward Racial Reconciliation](#) video series with Kelley Mathews & Sharifa Stevens

### Other Resources

- Cleveland, Christena. [Disunity in Christ: Uncovering the Hidden Forces that Keep Us Apart](#). InterVarsity Press, 2013.
- ["The Day of Pentecost"](#) | Irving Bible Church Women podcast
- Piper, John. [Bloodlines: Race, Cross, and the Christian](#). Crossway, 2011.
- Wilkerson, Isabel. [The Warmth of Other Suns](#). First Vintage Books Edition, 2011.  
The non-fiction story of the Great Migration of African-Americans from the South to the North.

## Mentoring

### BOW's free Helps

- ["The Aroma of Influence"](#) blog: search topic "mentoring"
- [Organic Mentoring](#) video series with Dr. Sue Edwards

### Other resources

Edwards, Sue, and Barbara Neumann. [Organic Mentoring: A Mentor's Guide to Relationships with Next Generation Women](#). Kregel, 2014.

## Leadership/Influence Development

Daigle, Kay. [From Ordinary Woman to Spiritual Leader: Grow your Influence](#). WestBow Press, 2012.

## Meetings

### BOW's free resources

- ["The Aroma of Influence"](#) blog: search topic meeting
- [Meetings that Work](#) video series with Claudia McGuire

### Available for purchase online

Lencioni, Patrick. [Death by Meeting: A Leadership Fable](#). Jossey- Bass, 2004.

## Small Groups

### BOW's free resources

- ["The Aroma of Influence"](#) blog: click relevant topics such as small groups, small group leadership, leadership.
- [Kingdom Prayers](#) purposed to focus prayers on God's will as a group
- [Leading a Small Group toward Spiritual Growth](#) video series with Kelly Arabie
- [Listening Well](#) video series with Cheri Hudspith
- [Women's Bible Study: Small Group Leader's Handbook](#) . Use as a template for your own handbook.

### Resources available for online purchase

- Fryling, Alice. [Seeking God Together](#). Written as a guide to group spiritual direction, it includes great tips for becoming a better listener and helping others listen.
- [How to Lead Small Group Bible Studies: A Navigator Guide](#). NavPress, 1982. (out of print but available from small book sellers)
- Lee-Thorp, Karen. [How to Ask Great Questions](#). NavPress, 1998.
- Smith, Gordan T. [The Voice of Jesus: Discernment, Prayer and the Witness of the Spirit](#). The book helps believers listen & grow in discerning God's voice.
- Swindoll, Debbie and Monica Romig Green. [The Art of Spiritual Leadership: Creating Communities that Love](#). This team training guide provides leadership tools that empower communities to deeply love God and one another.
- Wilson, Wendy. [Group Discipleship: Connecting Life and Truth; Facilitating Growth through Relationship and Discussion](#). PeerEquip, 2014.

## Spiritual Direction

[Evangelical Spiritual Directors Association](#) provides information about spiritual direction, finding an evangelical spiritual director, or listening to God with the help of a spiritual director.