



## SLU READING LIST

We believe *leaders are readers*, and want you to get the most out of this experience as you are preparing for the next step of your leadership journey. Please see some suggestions on what to read while you grow as a leader.

### READ BEFORE 101

[\*Moments 'Till Midnight\*](#) – Brent Crowe, Ph.D.  
*The Call* – Brent Crowe, Ph.D. & David Nasser  
[\*The Success Secrets of Shamgar\*](#) – Dr. Jay Strack  
*Spiritual Leadership* – Oswald Sanders  
*Not a Fan* – Kyle Idleman  
*Just Do Something* – Kevin DeYoung  
*Who Moved My Cheese* – Spencer Johnson

### READ BEFORE 201

[\*Chasing Elephants\*](#) - Brent Crowe, Ph.D.  
*American Creation* – Joseph J. Ellis  
*The King Years* – Taylor Branch  
*1776* – David McCullough  
*The Gospel Comes with a House Key* – Rosaria Butterfield  
*From the Hood to the Hill* – Chaplain Black  
*Make Your Voice Heard in Heaven* – Chaplain Black  
*Summoned to Lead* – Leonard Sweet  
*Love Works* – Joel Manby

### READ BEFORE 301

[\*Sacred Intent\*](#) – Brent Crowe  
*Mere Christianity* – CS Lewis  
*The Boys of Pointe du Hoc* – Douglas Brinkley  
*Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy* – Eric Metaxas  
*William Wilberforce: A Hero for Humanity* – Kevin Belmonte

## **READ BEFORE 401**

*Six Days of War: June 1967 and the Making of the Modern Middle East* - Michael B. Oren  
*Josephus: The Essential Writings - A New Translation* - Paul L. Maier  
*Jerusalem: The Biography* - Simon Sebag Montefiore  
*What's the Bible All About?* - Henrietta C. Mears

## **LEADERSHIP**

*Good to Great* – Jim Collins  
*Built to Last* – Jim Collins & Jerry I. Porras  
*The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* – Stephen Covey  
*The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership* – John C. Maxwell  
*Running with the Giants* – John C. Maxwell  
[\*The Secret\*](#) – Mark Miller  
*The Secret of Teams* – Mark Miller  
*Servant Leadership* – Robert Greenleaf  
*See You at the Top* – Zig Ziglar  
*The Top Ten Mistake Leaders Make* – Hans Finzel  
*Courageous Leadership* – Bill Hybels\*  
*The Next Generation Leader* – Andy Stanley  
*The Leadership Challenge* – Kouzes & Posner\*  
*Tribes* – Seth Godin  
*Linchpin* – Seth Godin  
*The Four Obsessions of an Extraordinary Executive* – Patrick Lencioni  
*The Five Dysfunctions of a Team* – Patrick Lencioni  
*Leading Change* – John P. Kotter  
*Spiritual Leadership* – J. Oswald Sanders  
*H3 Leadership* – Brad Lomenick  
*Switch* – Chip Heath & Dan Heath  
*Leading at a Higher Level* – Ken Blanchard  
*Clout – Discover and Unleash your God Given Influence* – Jenni Catron  
*The Difference Maker – Making Your Attitude Your Greatest Asset* – John Maxwell  
*Good to Great in God's Eyes* – Chip Ingram  
*The Road Back to You* – Enneagram – Ian Cron  
*Start With Why* – Simon Sinek  
*If – Trading Your If Only Regrets for God's What If Possibilities* – Mark Batterson  
*The Circle Maker* – Mark Batterson  
*Whisper* – Mark Batterson  
*In a Pit with a Lion on a Snowy Day* – Mark Batterson  
*Chase the Lion* – Mark Batterson  
*Mindset* – Carol Dweck  
*Habitudes* – Tim Elmore  
*GRIT* – Angela Duckworth

## **ETHICS & SOCIAL JUSTICE**

*Involvement: Being a Responsible Christian in a Non-Christian Society* – John Stott

*Involvement: Social and Sexual Changes in the Modern World* – John Stott

*Ethix* – Sean McDowell

*Decision Making and the Will of God* – Garry Friesen with J. Robin Maxson

*A Compassion Call to Counter Culture* – David Platt

*Ask Me Anything* – J. Budziszewski

*Restoring All Things* – Warren Cole Smith & John Stonestreet

*Generous Justice* – Tim Keller

*The Encyclopedia of Biblical and Christian Ethics* – R.K. Harrison (resource)

*"From Every People and Nation" A Biblical Theology of Race* – J. Daniel Hays

*Separate No More* – Norman Anthony Peart

*The King Years* – Taylor Branch

*Politics According to the Bible* – Wayne Grudem

## **THEOLOGY & APOLOGETICS**

*Systematic Theology* – Wayne Grudem

*Christian Theology* – Millard Erickson

*A Theology for the Church* – Ed. Daniel L. Akin

*What's the Bible All About?* – Henrietta C. Mears

*Life Sentences* – Warren Weirsbe

*Africa Bible Commentary* – Ed. Tokunboh Adeyemo

*The Cross of Christ* – John R. W. Stott

*No Wonder They Call Him the Savior* – Max Lucado

*The Crucial Words from Calvary* – Herschel H. Hobbs

*Gospel: Recovering the Power that Made Christianity Revolutionary* – JD Greear

*The Cross* – Martyn Lloyd-Jones

*Understanding the Times* – David A. Noebel

*Evidence That Demands a Verdict* – McDowell

*Is God Just a Human Invention?* – Sean McDowell & Jonathan Morrow

*Reasonable Faith* – William Lane Craig

*Intellectuals Don't Need God & Other Modern Myths* – Alister E. McGrath

*Resurrection* – Hank Hanegraaff

*Has God Spoken?* – Hank Hanegraaff

*The Real Face of Atheism* – Ravi Zacharias (find one more)

*The Case for a Creator* – Lee Strobel

*The Case for Christ* – Lee Strobel

*Dictionary of Cults, Sects, Religions, and the Occult* – George A. Mather & Larry A. Nichols

*Truth Matters* – Andreas Köstenberger

*A New Kind of Apologist* – Sean McDowell

## **HISTORY OF THE WORLD AND THE CHURCH**

*How Christianity Changed the World* – Alvin J. Schmidt

*\*How Should We Then Live?* – Francis A. Schaffer

*The Story of Christianity* (Volumes 1 & 2) – Justa L. González

*The History of Christian Doctrines* – Louis Berkhof (Check for liberal accusations)

*A History of the Christian Church* - Williston Walker (Follow up)

*Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther* – Roland H Bainton

*American Creation* – Joseph J. Ellis

*1776* – David McCullough

*John Adams* – David McCullough

## **BIOGRAPHIES**

*William Wilberforce: A Hero for Humanity* – Kevin Belmonte

*Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy* – Eric Metaxas

*A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings and Speeches of Martin Luther King, Jr.* – James M. Washington

*Great Souls: Six Who Changed the Century* – David Aikman

*131 Christians Everyone Should Know* – Editors of *Christian History Magazine*

*The Billy Graham Story* – John Pollock

*7 Men and the Secret of their Greatness* – Eric Metaxas

*7 Women and the Secret of their Greatness* – Eric Metaxas

*American Sphinx: The Character of Thomas Jefferson* – Joseph J. Ellis

*The King Years* – Taylor Branch

*From the Hood to the Hill* – Chaplain Barry Black

*Churchill* – Roy Jenkins

*Blood, Toil, Tears, and Sweat* – John Lukacs

*Team of Rivals* – Doris Kearns Goodwin

*\*Man's Search for Meaning* – Viktor E. Frankl

*Meet the Men and Women We Call Heroes* – Ed. Ann Spangler & Charles Turner

*Jesus Freaks* – dcTalk & the Voice of the Martyrs

*Mandela: The Authorized Biography* – Anthony Sampson

## **CLASSICS**

*Man's Search for Meaning* – Viktor E. Frankl

*Holiness* – J.C. Ryle

*Mere Christianity* – CS Lewis

*Pilgrim's Progress* – John Bunyan

*Confessions* – Augustine of Hippo

*The Cost of Discipleship* – Dietrich Bonhoeffer

*The Pursuit of God* – A.W. Tozer

*Knowing God* – J.I. Packer

*Celebration of Discipline* – Richard J. Foster

*The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment* – Jeremiah Burroughs

*Foxe's Book of Martyrs* – John Foxe