



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

[*Ten Steps to Your Best Life*](#) – Brent Crowe, Ph.D.
[*Moments 'Till Midnight*](#) – Brent Crowe, Ph.D.
[*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

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
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
Mindset – Carol Dweck
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
“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
A New Kind of Apologist – Sean McDowell
So the Next Generation Will Know – Sean McDowell
Evidence That Demands a Verdict – Josh & Sean 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 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

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) – Justo L. González
The History of Christian Doctrines – Louis Berkhof
A History of the Christian Church - Williston Walker
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
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
American Sphinx: The Character of Thomas Jefferson – Joseph J. Ellis
The King Years – Taylor Branch
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