

## The Jesus Style

Bibb has compiled some of the brightest stars of the African-American pulpit to address a phenomenon altering the face of society--the empowerment of women and the collective quest of women for richer and more meaningful lives.

s to a fresh understanding of personal evangelism. Just as Jesus was a "faith sharer", William L. Turner invites today's Christians to follow in those footsteps. "Unlike other holy men and gurus, Jesus doesn't camp on a mountaintop or in a secluded temple waiting for people to seek him out about the spiritual issues of life. He travels through the countryside and roams the city streets . . . He shares his faith, his convictions with the people he meets".--William L. Turner.

The Reality Check series makes just one assumption: that you're serious enough about your spiritual journey to investigate Christianity with an open mind. This isn't about joining anyone's religious club—it's about being real with yourself and with the others in your group. Since no one has all the answers, there's plenty of room for discussion. After all, if there is any truth to the Bible's stories about Jesus, then one thing he'd welcome are questions and opinions that come from honest, earnest hearts. Whether you're leading a corporation, a sports team, your family, or simply your own pursuits, issues such as mission, character, vision casting, and team building are critical to your success. Wouldn't it be great to take lessons from a master leader? Here's your opportunity. Nobody in history has surpassed Jesus of Nazareth in either methods or results. Find out his leadership secrets. They're guaranteed to make you a better leader. Leadership Jesus Style includes these sessions: Upside-Down Leadership What's Your Mission? Casting a Vision The Master Strategist Building a Team When Others Fail For the Group Leader Reality Check is for spiritual seekers of every persuasion. Uncompromisingly Christian in its perspective, it steers wide of pat answers and aims at honesty. This innovative and thought-provoking series will challenge you and those in your group to connect heart to heart as together you explore the interface between Jesus, the Bible, and the realities of this world in which we live.

Reveals the healing power of the Jesus Creed, and explains how the Jesus Creed of love for God and others can help people transform their lives.

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who refuses to believe will be condemned." So states Jesus Christ in a book called the Bible. Who is the Christ? And what does he purport to be? How do we define the "good news" he propagates? "Rebooting Jesus" offers unique perspective on the call to action for discerning freethinkers. To explore what exists and what does not. To make a personal determination, free from the "Christian Riff" that drives framing and agenda setting. Is God "good?" How did the bible originate? Who defined the three-in-one entity called God? Does God have a gender identity? Why did dark angels have sexual relations with humans? Why did God kill babies in the Great Flood? Who lived, and died, in the Passover? Why did God negotiate with Satan to kill Job's family? Did Jesus have a sinless thought life? Rebooting Jesus is for those searching and curious. A step-by-step plan, with examples, for your self-exploration into the acts of "Father" God; his "Son" Jesus; through the manifestation of the "Holy Spirit."

Who is Jesus? This is the fundamental question for christology. The earliest Christians used various titles, most of them drawn from the Old Testament or Hebrew Scriptures, to express their faith in Jesus. They called him prophet, teacher, Messiah, Son of David, Son of Man, Lord, Son of God, Word of God, and occasionally even God. In *Who Is Jesus?* Thomas Rausch, S.J., focuses on the New Testament's rich variety of christologies. *Who Is Jesus?* covers the three quests for the historical Jesus, the methods for retrieving the historical Jesus, the Jewish background, the Jesus movement, his preaching and ministry, death and resurrection, the various New Testament christologies, and the development of christological doctrine from the New Testament period to the Council of Chalcedon. Chapters are *The Three Quests for the Historical Jesus*, *\*Methodological Considerations*, *- \*The Jewish Background*, *- \*Jesus and His Movement*, *- \*The Preaching and Ministry of Jesus*, *- \*The Death of Jesus*, *- \*God Raised Him from the Dead*, *- \*New Testament Christologies*, *- \*From the New Testament to Chalcedon*, *- \*Sin and Salvation*, *- and \*A Contemporary Approach to Soteriology*. - Thomas P. Rausch, SJ, PhD, is the T. Marie Chilton Professor of Catholic Theology at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles. A specialist in ecclesiology, ecumenism, and the theology of the priesthood, he has published eight books including the award-winning *Catholicism at the Dawn of the Third Millennium*, *The College Student's Introduction to Theology*, and *Reconciling Faith and Reason: Apologists, Evangelists, and Theologians in a Divided Church*, published by Liturgical Press. "Reproduction of the original.

Smith reveals the character of Jesus and writes the book as if to a friend, illustrating the importance of Christ's message to modern men and women. This is a book for new believers, for lifelong followers, and for the merely curious.

Paul was the most influential figure in the early Christian church. In this epistle, written to the founders of the church in Rome, he sets out some of his ideas on the importance of faith in overcoming mankind's innate sinfulness and in obtaining redemption. With an introduction by Ruth Rendell

A high-energy assessment of the actual teachings of Christ, written by a co-founder of Greenpeace International, challenges misconceptions attributed to the canonical gospels while drawing on modern scholarship to offer insight into his message as based on New Testament source materials.

What does living as a Christian really look like? What changes do I need to make to the way I live my life? How does Jesus want me to live? The Sermon on the Mount is Jesus' teaching on how to conduct our lives. While his original audience was a crowd of first-century Jews, his words are astutely relevant to 21st century living, particularly as modern Western cultural trends are increasingly at odds with Jesus' teaching. Laid out to follow the structure of Matthew 5-7, each chapter delves into the topics raised in these verses, including: - Dealing with anger - Handling conflict and criticism - Managing money - Sex, marriage and divorce - The secret of true happiness With his familiar mix of wisdom and humour, Nicky Gumbel explains Jesus' teaching and presents practical ways to apply it so Christians can follow Jesus in every aspect of their lives.

This resource is a complete introduction to one of the most mysterious prayers of Eastern Christianity, The Jesus Prayer. A conversational question-and-answer format takes the reader through practical steps for adopting this profound practice in everyday life.

Every man is potentially a leader by divine design. The mindset that only certain people are destined to lead has put a lot of people in a cage of mediocrity and has prevented them from tapping into and

developing their innate leadership endowment. Leadership begins when individuals are able to lead themselves first and it all starts with the discovery of 'purpose'. Nehemiah's leadership skills never emerge until he discovered his purpose in building the broken wall of Jerusalem. This book opens up the practical steps Jesus took to be successful as a leader. The applicability of this divinely inspired book cuts across any form of man made barrier that may be existing. Who can model leadership for us better than the one through which all things were made? This book through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, provides insight into the leadership strategies Jesus employed in accomplishing his purpose here on earth. How was he able to lead through opposition and disloyalty without losing his mind? What strategy did he employ to build and mentor a formidable team of diverse men who took his vision to the next level? How was he able to overcome resistance, opposition and criticism? The style he used are easy to employ, very practical and relevant to all men in every generation.

Yes you can understand the Bible! Discovering the Miracle of the Scarlet Thread in Every Book of the Bible takes the mystery and confusion out of the Bible and makes God's Word come alive with new insights and a fresh excitement that will have you searching for more. Dr. Richard Booker unveils the mysteries and secrets of the Bible by explaining its master theme, and then reveals a simple plan so you can discover God's personal revelation for yourself. The author provides Exciting biblical background, An interesting survey of each book in the Bible, Each book's master theme, Practical principles, forms, and guidelines for your own life-enriching Bible study. The sometimes hard-to-understand teachings of Jesus in their original culture and context come alive and become real through discovering the miracle of the scarlet thread. Then Jesus began to explain everything which had been written in the Scriptures about Him. Jesus started with the books of Moses and then He talked about what the prophets had written about Him (Luke 24:27 PEB). This book about the Bible will change the way you think about His Word His life-changing and eternal Word.

Great for nonbelievers and new Christians, this work of popular-level theology introduces the person and work of Christ by answering a series of questions about Jesus. Now in paperback.

Have you ever thought about the leadership style of Jesus Christ? There has never been anyone who has had an influence on the world the same as Jesus. He began His ministry with a small group of men who He equipped to change the world. Jesus's strategy of leading did not focus on prestige, wealth, power, or force. The plan of Jesus, from the start of His ministry, was to be a servant-leader. The servant-leadership style of Jesus is a strategy that will benefit any organization, business, charity group, or congregation.

By God's design, you have a choice to make, a love to give and a reason to live. You are not bound to a poorly written script of lies. You are not burdened by the regrets of poor choice, abandoned love and burned-out living. You are a new creation, changing in Christ, connecting meaningfully with others, contributing in ways never before imagined.

Designer Genes: Made to be Holy encourages us to wear our faith Jesus style, modeling personal and relational transformation.

The Jesus Style The Leadership Style of Jesus Harvest House Publishers

Understand, this book is not written to make you feel bad or condemn you if you have not engaged others with the gospel message. This book is written to encourage and inspire you. Even though pastor and author Greg Laurie is a "gospel-presenting professional," in this book he tells stories of his own failure and success. The most important things you will find here are biblical principles that you can apply yourself. Taken from the life and witness of Jesus, and tested over Greg's forty years of ministry, in both one-on-one experiences and large-scale evangelistic arena and stadium events, these ideas are intended to mobilize every person in the church to "Tell Someone" about Jesus Christ.

As a follower of Christ you know--at least deep down--that you were created for more than just loving your family, building your career, or attending weekly church services. We were made to share God's love with others in ways that can impact their lives and redirect their eternities. But few of us are naturally comfortable doing this. We wrestle with internal fears, a lack of preparation, and the sense that reaching out to others might force us to act like someone we're not. We want to encourage people spiritually, but we don't want to get weird or overbearing in the process. We need to be equipped to talk to people about Jesus in ways that fit our God-given personalities, and we would benefit greatly from an infusion of fresh inspiration and practical ideas. In Contagious Faith, bestselling author and teacher Mark Mittelberg introduces you to the five Contagious Faith Styles--Friendship-Building, Selfless-Serving, Story-Sharing, Reason-Giving, and Truth-Telling--and helps you discover which of these approaches (or combination of them) will enable you to naturally share your faith in Jesus with the people around you. He also explains in a down-to-earth fashion several key skills that will help you communicate your faith in infectious ways, illustrating his message with real-life accounts of ordinary believers who applied these principles for extraordinary impact. Mark Mittelberg was the primary author of the celebrated Becoming a Contagious Christian course, through which he helped nearly two million people around the world learn to communicate their faith. Now, with clear teaching, compelling stories, and inspiring motivation, his new Contagious Faith book will help you share the good news of Jesus effectively--even in our increasingly resistant culture.

In Christianity in the making, James D.G. Dunn examines in depth the major factors that shaped first-generation Christianity and beyond, exploring the parting of the ways between Christianity and Judaism, the Hellenization of Christianity, and responses to Gnosticism. He mines all the first- and second-century sources, including the New Testament Gospels, New Testament apocrypha, and such church fathers as Ignatius, Justin Martyr, and Irenaeus, showing how the Jesus tradition and the figures of James, Paul, Peter, and John were still esteemed influences but were also the subject of intense controversy as the early church wrestled with its evolving identity.

No matter what leadership arena a person serves in--whether leading a family, a church, a civic organization, a company--adopting the leadership example of Jesus will make that person more effective and productive. Leadership is influence, and no leader has had greater influence on the world than Jesus Christ. The lessons of His leadership style are practical, learnable skills that anyone can apply today. Michael Youssef, who has executive experience in worldwide ministries, has examined the leadership Jesus modeled and suggests Christlike qualities every leader needs. But he doesn't stop there. With Jesus as the standard, Dr. Youssef considers how to deal with the temptations and pressures leaders face, including ego, anger, loneliness, criticism, the use of power, and passing the torch to others. Men and women in search of excellence in developing their leadership abilities will find much to aid their quest in this close-up look at Jesus--the greatest leader who ever lived.

"We cannot make Jesus in our own image. We have to let him speak for himself, and then accept or reject him on the basis of who he says he is and who other people close to him say he is....Keep asking questions of him. Once you have made up your mind that he is who he claims to be, he will make a claim on your life and your life will not be the same. It will change your life." -- from the author Carol Anderson, rector of All Saints Episcopal Church in Beverly Hills, California, has written an ideal introduction to the Christian faith, sharing key moments of her own life and telling the story of Jesus as it is foreshadowed in the Old Testament and presented in the Gospels. She powerfully points out that God is not remote, but personal and involved with His creation, wanting to know and love us. It is through Jesus that we can know God for ourselves....without the distortion of New Age philosophy or even religious principles. The Rev. Carol Anderson was one of the first women to be ordained in the Episcopal Church in the United States. She is Rector of All Saints Parish, Beverly Hills, California, and was awarded an honorary doctorate from Berkeley Divinity School at Yale.

Through the lens of Jesus, our attention is focused on the mountain-top revelation to Moses of his very nature: Compassionate, Gracious, Slow to Anger, Abounding in Mercy and Faithfulness, Forgiving Wickedness, Rebellion and Sin.

This workbook equips Christians to be witnesses for Christ in a natural conversational style (also known as the oral inductive method). You will learn how to share biblical truths in an enjoyable and engaging manner. Jesus used stories and questions to help people self-discover truths; this workbook closely replicates his style of evangelism. This workbook provides background, how-to's, and exercises to help you become an expert of biblical conversational evangelism. Your confidence in sharing God's Word with others will be substantially higher. Even better, schedule a workshop with one of our trainers at your church. You and fellow churchgoers will impact your community for Christ! Key things you will learn: - How to introduce yourself and open doors of communication. - How to share biblical stories that hold attention and stick. - How to ask questions that expose prior misconceptions and help people self-discover truth. - How to lead the person to Christ and follow through with discipling.

How does the Jesus of the New Testament compare to the Jesus we think we know so well? Bestselling author Philip Yancey conducts an enlightening biblical and historical investigation. This honest book will help you discover a different Jesus from the flannelgraph Sunday school figure, the sweetly smiling Victorian Savior, and all the cultural clichés that have tamed Jesus and kept him in comfortable religious boxes. Philip Yancey cuts through existing views and preconceptions of Jesus--citing opinions from church history, modern history, and popular culture; discussing how different people and cultures view Jesus; dissecting popular quotes about Jesus; and much more--and he offers a more accurate perspective by pointing us back to the Bible. From the manger in Bethlehem to the cross in Jerusalem, Yancey presents a complex character who generates questions as well as answers, a disturbing and exhilarating Jesus who wants to radically transform your life and stretch your faith. The Jesus I Never Knew engages your heart, your mind, your emotions, and your senses, preparing you for a new, life-changing encounter with the real Jesus described in the Gospels. Also available: The Jesus I Never Knew video curriculum, participant's guide, and study guide.

Long-time Bible Professor Tells the Compelling Story of Jesus The story of Jesus is the greatest story of all time. But the repetition and varying order of events in the Gospels can be confusing to readers. As he does in his bestselling book *The Whole Bible Story*, Dr. William Martty presents the full narrative of Jesus in chronological order. He tells the fascinating account of everything that happened in Jesus' life--from his birth to his ascension--as well as what happened in the church after he left. *The Jesus Story* is perfect for new Christians longing to get to know Jesus or long-time believers wanting to recapture the awe and amazement of hearing this remarkable story for the first time.

Anderson challenges readers to step out in faith and be part of the ongoing movement to change the world with Jesus' revolutionary message. (Biblical Studies)

What do compassionate leaders with years of experience have to say to leaders of today? What does Christ's example show us about leadership? What are the perils and pitfalls that can ensnare young Christian leaders? In *Compassionate Leadership*, Ted Engstrom and Paul Cedar bring their considerable experience to bear on the issues facing young leaders of today. Instead of discussing power, management, and organization, their advice involves being generous, believing in people, and helping to meet needs, encouraging friends, getting excited about the good things that happen to others, and helping others in their walk with the Lord. Jesus told us that to become great, we must be compassionate servants. Here's how.

The publication of the King James version of the Bible, translated between 1603 and 1611, coincided with an extraordinary flowering of English literature and is universally acknowledged as the greatest influence on English-language literature in history. Now, world-class literary writers introduce the book of the King James Bible in a series of beautifully designed, small-format volumes. The introducers' passionate, provocative, and personal engagements with the spirituality and the language of the text make the Bible come alive as a stunning work of literature and remind us of its overwhelming contemporary relevance.

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** The "paradigm-influencing" book (*Christianity Today*) that is fundamentally transforming our understanding of white evangelicalism in America. *Jesus and John Wayne* is a sweeping, revisionist history of the last seventy-five years of white evangelicalism, revealing how evangelicals have worked to replace the Jesus of the Gospels with an idol of rugged masculinity and Christian nationalism—or in the words of one modern chaplain, with "a spiritual badass." As acclaimed scholar Kristin Du Mez explains, the key to understanding this transformation is to recognize the centrality of popular culture in contemporary American evangelicalism. Many of today's evangelicals might not be theologically astute, but they know their VeggieTales, they've read John Eldredge's *Wild at Heart*, and they learned about purity before they learned about sex—and they have a silver ring to prove it. Evangelical books, films, music, clothing, and merchandise shape the beliefs of millions. And evangelical culture is teeming with muscular heroes—mythical warriors and rugged soldiers, men like Oliver North, Ronald Reagan, Mel Gibson, and the Duck Dynasty clan, who assert white masculine power in defense of "Christian America." Chief among these evangelical legends is John Wayne, an icon of a lost time when men were uncowed by political correctness, unafraid to tell it like it was, and did what needed to be done. Challenging the commonly held assumption that the "moral majority" backed Donald Trump in 2016 and 2020 for purely pragmatic reasons, Du Mez reveals that Trump in fact represented the fulfillment, rather than the betrayal, of white evangelicals' most deeply held values: patriarchy, authoritarian rule, aggressive foreign policy, fear of Islam, ambivalence toward #MeToo, and opposition to Black Lives Matter and the LGBTQ community. A much-needed



