

Recommended Resources for the Sr. High Years



*Note that this is obviously not an exhaustive or complete list. These are just a few we recommend so that we don't overwhelm you with the many many good options out there. Contact Pastor Steven if you'd like more suggestions or recommendations!

Resources for Parents:

- This Changes Everything: How the Gospel Transforms the Teen Years (by Jaquelle Crowe)
- Sticky Faith: Everyday Ideas to Build Lasting Faith in Your Kids (by Kara Powell & Chap Clark)
- When Kids Hurt: Help for Adults Navigating the Adolescent Maze (by Chap Clark and Steve Rabey)
- Like Dew Your Youth: Growing Up With Your Teenager (by Eugene Peterson)
- The Tech-Wise Family: Everyday Steps for Putting Technology in Its Proper Place (by Andy Crouch)
- Teenage Guys: Exploring Issues Adolescent Guys Face and Strategies to Help Them (by Steve Gerali)
- Teenage Girls: Exploring Issues Adolescent Girls Face and Strategies to Help Them (by Ginny Olson)

Resources on what we believe the Gospel to be:

- 321: The Story of God, the World, and You (by Glen Schrivener)
- Basic Christianity (by John Stott)
- The Prodigal God: Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith (by Tim Keller)

Books that have helped shape how we do Youth Ministry at HFFBC:

- Gospel-Centered Youth Ministry: A Practical Guide (by Cameron Cole and Jon Nielson)
- Teaching the Faith, Forming the Faithful: A Biblical Vision for Education in the Church (by Gary Parrett and Steve Kong)
- Revisiting Relational Youth Ministry: From a Strategy of Influence to a Theology of Incarnation (by Andrew Root)
- Mentor for Life: Finding Purpose through Intentional discipleship (by Natasha Sistrunk Robinson)

Curriculums we use regularly:

- The New City Catechism (52 Questions for Our Hearts and Minds) - see also www.newcitycatechism.com
- The Gospel Project see also www.gospelproject.com
- The Bible Project see also www.thebibleproject.com
- CASKET-EMPTY see also www.casketempty.com
- Operation World Prayer Guide see also www.operationworld.org

Books we suggest to Sr. Highers:

- ESV Study Bible
- Pray for the World (ed. Mollly Wall)
- The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism (by Tim Keller)
- Great Commission, Great Compassion: Following Jesus & Loving the World (by Paul Borthwick)
- Just Do Something: A Liberating Approach to Finding God's Will (by Kevin DeYoung)
- Sharing Jesus (without freaking out): Evangelism the Way You Were Born to Do It (by Alvin Reid)

Two Additional Resources for Parents

1. "The Culture Translator" from Axis Ministries

Want to better understand your child's world and some of the things that he/she may be encountering every day? At HFFBC Student Ministry, we recommend that all parents sign up for this free weekly insight (via email) into "how pop culture, technology, and media are influencing your students while equipping you to start biblically based conversations."

Go to www.axis.org/ct to sign up for this wonderful tool for families and the church!





2. "HFFBC Student Ministry Minute" Monthly E-Newsletter

Our Student Ministry here at HFFBC sends out a monthly email each month to all families who are involved in our student ministries (from brith through high school graduation!). This monthly email includes a prayer for parents, pictures from ministry from the previous month, details and reminders about upcoming events, and some helpful articles/resources to consider as families and parents of children/youth.

If you'd like to receive this e-newsletter each month, please contact Pastor Steven (swhite@hffbc.org).

