Books at the Blueprint Library



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Dirty Glory - Pete Greig

For many Christians, prayer is an obligation that has little bearing on everyday life. The story of the 24/7 prayer movement demonstrates in gripping detail how prayer is far more than an obligation and how God is far more interested in prayer than we are.

Huia Come Home - Jay Ruka

Using the story of the untimely extinction of the huia in the 1900s, Jay Ruka offers a fresh perspective on the narrative of Aotearoa; a tale of two cultures, warring worldviews, and the things we lost in translation.

Twenty one elephants - Scottie Reeve

Twenty-One Elephants is about a whole-of-life spirituality that messes with our relationships, reputation, families, money and living situations. It's about the darkness of our world and the darkness within. It's about the joy and the grief of embracing the reckless way of Jesus.

The Grace Outpouring - Roy Goodwin

This captivating account of the spiritually unexpected unfolding at a quiet Welsh retreat centre will offer insight into how God might work in your community. In keeping with God's pattern of using marginal people - fishermen, tax collectors, and children - this story sees God intrude into the mundane rhythms of life.

The way of blessing - Roy Goodwin

Continuing on from 'The Grace Outpouring,' Roy Godwin reveals how God has given believers the authority to bless others. As the executive director of the Wales retreat centre, he shares how this ministry began, stories of miraculous healings, and ways you can usher God's presence into your community.

Boundaries - Dr Henry Cloud & Dr John Townsend

If you've ever wondered: Can I set limits and still be a loving person? Why do I feel guilty when I consider setting boundaries? This book will give you biblically based answers to these and other tough questions, and show you how to set healthy boundaries with the people you love and yourself.

Impossible: My Story - Stan Walker

From one of the finest singers to emerge from Aotearoa in a generation, Impossible is a story of redemption and the power of forgiveness. It's about courage and hope, and a young Māori boy finding his place and purpose.

The Insect and the Buffalo - Roshan Allpress & Andrew Shamy

When we read the Bible, it's easy to feel like God wrote the wrong book. We come with twenty-first century problems and we are given a collection of ancient stories. Yet these stories form a united narrative. The Insect and the Buffalo is designed to help you re-read, re-think, and re-engage with the Bible.

Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi - Toby Morris

Te Tiriti o Waitangi/The Treaty of Waitangi is a bilingual graphic novel that takes a fresh and innovative look at our founding treaty. The book has been reviewed by some of Aotearoa's foremost treaty experts.

Against the tide, towards the kingdom - J & J Duckworth

This is the story of the Urban Vision community in New Zealand. It recounts the story of a group of young Christian adults who over the last fifteen years have relocated to the colourful ends of their city to share life with those who are struggling, homeless, sick, poor, neglected, or otherwise marginalised.

Irresistible revolution - Shane Claiborne

Shane Claiborne uses unconventional examples from his own life to stir up questions about the church and the world, while challenging readers to truly live out their Christian faith. "The irresistible revolution isn't just about going to heaven when you die but bringing heaven down as you live" - Shane Claiborne

Reaching Out - Henri Nouwen

The main part of the book answers the question, "What does it mean to live a life in the Spirit of Jesus Christ?" The second part offers a very personal account of the author's spiritual life in the aftermath of a terrible accident.

Return of the Prodigal Son - Henri Nouwen

Henri Nouwen probes the several movements of the Prodigal Son parable - the younger son's return, the father's restoration of sonship, the elder son's vengefulness, and the father's compassion. For all who ask, "Where has my struggle led me?" this work will inspire and guide each time it is read.

This is not how it ends - Jehan Casinader

As an award-winning TV journalist, Jehan Casinader told other people's stories — until he lost control of his own. Severely depressed, he tried everything. This book chronicles Jehan's four-year battle with depression, and how the power of storytelling helped him to survive.

Changing our mind - David Gushee & Brian McLaren

"Every generation has its hot-button issue," writes David Gushee, "For us, it's the LGBT issue." In Changing Our Mind, Gushee takes the reader along his personal and theological journey as he changes his mind about gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender inclusion in the Church.