And God Said What? An Introduction To Biblical Literary Forms (Revised Edition)

Ralph, Dr. Margaret Nutting  2003 Paulist Press

And God Said What? introduces the reader to the importance of understanding the various literary forms that appear in Scripture: myth, legend, debate, fiction, Gospel, parable, allegory, letters, and revelation. This revised edition also includes Psalms, the infancy narratives, and miracle stories. Each genre is clearly defined, and the importance of understanding the characteristics of each form to find meaning is explored in relation to many well-known biblical passages.

Bible Blueprint, The: A Catholic's Guide To Understanding And Embracing God's Word

BK 220581  YA, A  133 pp.
Paprocki, Joe  2009 Loyola Press

The Bible Blueprint uses a blueprint metaphor to help Catholics gain a solid understanding of the structure and organization of the Bible, and to help them build confidence in navigating its pages. Among the topics covered are the different genres of biblical writing, key figures in biblical history, and the methods Catholics rely on to interpret the Bible. Readers are also shown how to consult commentaries, concordances, and other valuable tools of Bible study to deepen their understanding of God's Word. (Includes Leader's Guide)

Bible Compass, The: Catholic's Guide To Navigating The Scriptures

BK 220593  A  148 pp.
Sri, Edward  2009 Ascension Press

This book demonstrates how to read the Bible within the living Tradition of the Catholic Church, and it addresses many common questions about the Bible including the following: Where did the Bible come from? Why is the Bible so important? Is the Bible really inspired by God? Why do Catholic Bibles have more books than Protestant Bibles? Do I have to take the Bible literally? How do I know if I am interpreting the Bible correctly? Why are the four senses of Scripture? Why are there different translations of the Bible and which is best? How can archaeology, history, and geography enrich our study of Scripture? What are the Dead Sea Scrolls? How should we as Catholics interpret Scripture? What is Lectio Divina? What about Gnostic gospels and other non-biblical books? Why do we need Tradition and the Magisterium to understand Scripture?

Catholic Basics: Scripture - Nourished By The Word

BK 269389  A  127 pp.
Ralph, Dr. Margaret Nutting  2002 Loyola Press

The Catholic Basics series offers an in-depth yet accessible understanding of the fundamentals of the Catholic faith for those active in pastoral ministry and those preparing for ministry. Each book in the series presents a Catholic understanding of the topic as found in Scripture and in the teachings of the Church. Chapters conclude with study questions that may be used for small-group-review or for individual reflection. Chapters in Scripture include: What is a Bible?, The Catholic Approach to Scripture, Covenant Love, The Kingdom of God, Who Is Jesus Christ?, and The Bible in the Life of the Church.

Catholicism: A Journey To The Heart Of The Faith

Barron, Rev. Robert E.  2011 Word On Fire Catholic Ministries

Starting from the essential foundation of Jesus Christ's Incarnation, life, and teaching, Rev. Barron moves through the defining elements of Catholicism from sacraments, worship, and prayer to Mary, the apostles, and saints to grace, salvation, heaven, and hell. The book comes alive as Rev. Barron uses his distinct and dynamic grasp of art, literature, architecture, personal stories, Scripture, theology, philosophy, and history to present the church to the world.

Conversing With God In Scripture: A Contemporary Approach To Lectio Divina

BK 269664  YA, A  150 pp.
Binz, Stephen J.  2008 Word Among Us Press

Examples of the ancient practice of Lectio Divina using seven biblical passages are included as well as questions for reflection and discussion, making this book a useful tool for faith-sharing groups.

Praying Scripture For A Change: An Introduction To Lectio Divina (Book - Workbook)

BK 242591  A  125 pp.
Gray, Ph.D., Tim  2009 Ascension Press

This book walks you through the Bible and the wisdom of the saints to reveal the practical steps of Lectio Divina in order to enhance your prayer life. You will learn how God speaks to each of us in Scripture, how to overcome obstacles to a consistent and fruitful prayer life, why the fourfold method of Lectio Divina leads us into the heart of contemplative prayer, strategies for reading and praying the bible, how Christian meditation differs from non-Christian approaches, and more. Includes Workbook which includes stories from the lives of saints as examples of how they heard God speak to them, study questions, and material for personal reflection.

Signs Of Life: Forty Catholic Customs And Their Biblical Roots

BK 234639  YA, A  276 pp.

This guide to the Biblical doctrines and historical traditions that underlie Catholic beliefs and practices devotes single chapters to each topic, illuminating the roots and significance of many Catholic customs. Each chapter concludes with a quotation from a saint or other Catholic of note. Topics include holy water, Sign of the Cross, Mass, guardian angels, Church's calendar, postures, the sacraments, incense, sacred images, relics, fasting and mortification, indulgences, intercession of the saints, the rosary, scapulars and medals, and more. This book can serve as a resource for Catholic apologetics.
Study Guide For The U.S. Adult Catholic Catechism
BK 269379.1 A 94 pp.
Sullivan, Ph.D., Jem 2006 Our Sunday Visitor

Here is an inviting way to access the doctrinal and spiritual riches of the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults, building your knowledge and your faith. Each chapter is designed to be used as a study session and includes prayers, suggested Scripture reading, a summary of the catechetical theme, its application in today's culture, citations of relevant passages from the Catechism of the Catholic Church and the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, questions for reflection, and suggestions for further reading.

Transforming Power Of Lectio Divina, The: How To Pray With Scripture
BK 242622 A 116 pp.
Tasto, O.S.B., Maria 2013 Twenty-Third Publications

Discover God's spirit alive in you with Lectio Divina. Through stories, wisdom, and insight, you will discover, step-by-step, how to make this ancient prayer practice your own. This book has a particular emphasis on the transforming power of Lectio Divina. At the end of each chapter on each step or moment of Lectio Divina, there is a simple description of how to approach this aspect of prayer using either the scholastic or monastic method.

Ultimate! Catholic Trivia: One Thousand One Fun And Fascinating Facts
BK 234689 S, YA, A 132 pp.
Frush, Scott Paul 2009 Marshall Rand Publishing

This book reveals fun facts and tantalizing trivia that are sure to entertain, educate, and surprise. Categories include Jesus and the holy Bible; saints, angels, and popes; Vatican, shrines and churches; events, origins, and miscellaneous; teachings, beliefs, and structure; seasons, holy days, and the Mass; sacraments, sacramentals, and prayers; and organizations, orders, and clergy.

USCCA Study Aid, The: Study Aid / Workbook For The United States Catholic Catechism For Adults (Book - Leader's Guide)
BK 269714 A 92 pp.
2008 Catholic Renewal Center Of North Texas

This resource contains over one thousand questions corresponding to the content in the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA). A leader's guide is also included, giving suggested formats for group meetings. This aid will assist you in capturing the essence of most of the significant portions of USCCA.

BK 226538 A 352 pp.
Ralph, Dr. Margaret Nutting 2009 Paulist Press

This book is an introduction for adults to the Catholic approach to Scripture, the contextualist approach, as well as an introduction to the rich world of biblical scholarship. For each book of the New Testament, Walk Through The New Testament provides the reader with the setting of the author and audience, a discussion of issues important from an interpretive and from a pastoral point of view, review questions for Bible study, and discussion questions for faith sharing. The final chapter gives an example of an application of one's knowledge of Scripture to various doctrinal statements and illustrates how adult Catholics are called to re-image universal truths in the light of their growth in biblical knowledge.

Catechism Of The Catholic Church (Second Edition)
BR 220454 A 904 pp.
1997 United States Conference Of Catholic Bishops

This is the second edition of the Catechism Of The Catholic Church, revised in accordance with the official Latin text promulgated by Pope John Paul II in 1997.

Compendium: Catechism Of The Catholic Church
BR 220472 A 204 pp.
2006 United States Conference Of Catholic Bishops

This is a synthesis of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. It contains, in concise question and answer form, all the essential and fundamental elements of the Church's faith.

Complete Idiot's Guide To The Catholic Catechism, The
BR 220475 YA, A 336 pp.
Poust, Mary DeTurris 2008 Penguin Group (USA) Inc.

This book explains the core teachings of Catholicism in plain English, leaving you with a solid and easy-to-understand knowledge of Church teaching and giving an appreciation of what it means to be a Catholic. Its structure parallels that of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

United States Catholic Catechism For Adults
BR 220473 A 637 pp.
2006 United States Conference Of Catholic Bishops

The United States Catholic Catechism for Adults is an excellent resource for preparation of catechumens in the RCIA and for ongoing catechesis of adults. Each chapter includes stories that give us a glimpse into the lives of Catholics who lived out their faith throughout our country's history. Also included in each chapter are doctrine, reflection, quotations, discussion questions, and prayer to lead the reader to a deepening faith.
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Catechism Of The Catholic Church
CR 16051.1
J, S, YA, A
2001 Harmony Media, Inc.

Catechism of the Catholic Church on CD-ROM includes: Catechism of the Catholic Church (2nd edition) definitively approved by Pope John Paul II, this is the first Universal Catechism in over 400 years. A clearly stated synthesis of the Catholic Church's teachings on faith, morals, prayer, and the sacraments. Introduction to the Catechism, by J. Ratzinger and C. Schonborn, helpful insights on how to read and study the Catechism by the two entrusted with its development. The Companion to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, by Ignatius Press, contains cross-referenced passages footnoted and arranged according to the paragraphs of the Catechism. Over 3,600 references to Scripture, conciliar texts, papal documents, and writings of the Fathers. *COPYING PROHIBITED.

Catechism: A Pilgrimage Of Faith - Session 02 (CCC 1-184): Revelation, Tradition, Scripture, Faith
DV 30985.1
A
50 min.
Scherschligt, STL, Mike
2012 Holy Family School of Faith

This DVD series provides twenty-four big-picture lessons walking you through the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Revelation, Tradition, Scripture, Faith touches upon the why and how of faith, our innate desire for God and ways that we come to know Him. It presents Gods revelation of Himself through Scripture and Tradition and shows the interplay among Scripture, Tradition and the Magisterium. (CCC Pillar I)

Catholicism 101: Essentials For The Journey - DVD II: The Word Of God
DV 30272
A
60 min.
Cavins, Jeff
2007 Excorde Media

The Word of God is a Father speaking to His children. Drawing upon the Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, as well as entertaining personal anecdotes, speaker Jeff Cavins makes the Bible come alive as he reveals how to read the Scriptures with the mind of the Church, and how to put them into practice in daily living. Subtopics include Divine Inspiration, The Bible’s Relation to Tradition, How to Read the Bible Like a Story, The Keys to Interpreting Scripture, Making Senses Out of Scripture.

Dogmatic Theology: Coming To Know God Through Man's Best Friend - DVD III - Yum, Scripture / The Leash And The Collar
DV 30874
YA, A
100 min.
Mallon, Rev. James
2011 John Paul II Media Institute

Based upon Rev. James Mallon’s many experiences with the often-mischievous dog, “Monsi,” this course explores themes central to the Christian faith. Each theme probes into a mystery of faith that is then illuminated with a witness story as well as a teaching by Dogmatic Theologian, Dr. David Deane. Yum, Scripture: Eating God's Word - This session provides direction on how to physically navigate the Scriptures as well as how to understand the difference between various versions and translations of the Bible. Guidance is given regarding how to find Biblical passages and how to interpret the various genres of Scriptures. Tips are provided for praying with the Bible (Lectio Divina), and Jesus is shown to be the very Word of God encountered through the words of Scripture. (49 min.) The Leash And The Collar: Living Under the Lordship of Christ - The title of "Lord" is explored in this session. Practical suggestions are given regarding how to daily live under Christ's Lordship and how to be yoked to others through the Church. (51 min.) (2 of 8 weeks)

Great Adventure, The: Quick Journey Through The Bible - An Eight-Part Introduction To The Bible Timeline
DV 30239.1
YA, A
240 min.
Cavins, Jeff
2007 Ascension Press

This learning system – using talks on DVD, workbooks, color-coded charts and aids, study questions and answers – is designed to give the participant a brief overview of salvation history, from Genesis through the Resurrection of Christ and the establishment of the Catholic Church. Participants will learn about the need for Bible study and how to enter deeper into “His-story” as they begin their study of the Scriptures. The program includes four sixty-minute DVDs with two sessions on each DVD. Includes fold-out Timeline of Salvation History, Leader's Guide, and a Student Pack. DVD I - Session I: Introduction, Session II: Early World (Genesis 1-11), DVD II - Session III: The Patriarchs (Genesis 12-50), Session IV: Egypt and Exodus (Exodus) and Desert Wanderings (Numbers), DVD III - Session V: Conquest and Judges (Joshua, Judges) and Royal Kingdom (1, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings 1-11), Session VI: Divided Kingdom (1 Kings 12-22, 2 Kings) and Exile (2 Kings 17-25), DVD IV - Session VII: Return from Exile (Ezra, Nehemiah) and Maccabean Revolt (1 Maccabees), Session VIII: Messianic Fulfillment (Luke) and The Church (Acts).

What Makes Us Catholic: DVD 05 - What Time Do We Have? Mining The Treasure Of Scripture And Tradition
DV 30167
A
28 min.
Groome, Thomas
2006 Silver Burdett And Ginn

Each program in this series reflects the conviction that Catholic faith is most "effective" when it forms people's identity and shapes how we respond to the "great questions" – the real issues – of life. DVD V: Catholicism has consistently emphasized both Scripture and Tradition as sources of God's revelation. Though God's "original" revelation comes to us through Scripture, the Holy Spirit guides the Church to deepen its understanding and develop its teaching of Christian faith down through the ages. Note well, too, that Catholicism has never favored a "literalist" approach to Scripture or Tradition; both need to be interpreted by the whole Church as it responds to new questions and challenges from age to age. (DVD 5 of 9)

What Is The Bible? - PowerPoint
OC 50038
J, S, YA
2011 St. Mary's Press, Christian Brothers Publications

http://www.smp.org/resourcecenter/resource/4210/

This PowerPoint lesson presents an overview of the books and content of the Bible using interactive features that quiz participants and keep them engaged.
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Sunday Scripture Study For Catholics

OL 50377
Contreras, Vince
2011 Sunday Scripture Study For Catholics
http://www.sundayscripturestudy.com/index.html

At this site, you will find studies for each Sunday of the liturgical year which include background information on the readings, a variety of questions for discussion, references to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and a quote from Church Tradition. This site also has information for Catholics about how to read the Scriptures, where to find more information and background knowledge online, how to get started at studying Scripture, a format and tips for using these resources with small groups, and more.

Catholics United For The Faith: Faith Facts

OR 50099
Contreras, Vince
2014 Catholics United for the Faith, Inc.
http://www.cuf.org/faith-facts/

The Faith Facts site provides concise, complete, and easy-to-read answers to specific questions about the Catholic faith. The reasons behind the teachings are also given and are based on Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition, and the documents of the Magisterium. Categories for the questions and answers are apologetics, catechesis, family issues, groups / persons, liturgy, and scripture. The “Church Documents” category allows you to access the text of dozens of Church documents.

Old And New Testament Passages

OR 50171
Fournier, Deacon Keith A.
2012 St. Mary's Press, Christian Brothers Publications
http://www.smp.org/resourcecenter/resource/6805/?page=1

This chart can be download as a .pdf or Word document. It shows the similarities between Scripture passages in the Old Testament and Scripture passages in the New Testament.

Our Relationship With The Lord Grows From Reading And Praying The Bible

OR 50104
Fournier, Deacon Keith A.
2014 Catholic Online

Here you will find an explanation of the importance of the Scriptures for knowing and encountering God. It speaks of the Scriptures as the inspired word of God through which we grow in relationship with God. It connects Scripture and prayer and the importance of daily feeding on the word of God. (A music video companion to this article, You Speak by Audrey Assad, which sings of God speaking in the silence of our heart, can be found at OV #50105.)

Fr. Matthew Presents Lectio Divina

OV 50026
Moretz, Rev. Matthew
St. Mary's Press, Christian Brothers Publications
http://www.smp.org/resourcecenter/resource/7869/

A brief introduction to the steps and method of Lectio Divina is presented using the comparison of "chewing on the Word" to eating a candy bar.

How To Read The Bible: Peter Kreeft

OV 50247
2014 YouTube / QuietWatersMedia
http://safeshare.tv/w/KONmDtUqlv

This is an illuminated reading of Peter Kreeft's article on how to read the Bible in Catholic tradition. The article is brought to life by the visuals presented here.

Lectio Divina

OV 50027
Martin, S.J., Rev. James
St. Mary's Press, Christian Brothers Publications
http://www.smp.org/resourcecenter/resource/7889/

Rev. James Martin explains two methods for Lectio Divina. The first is a four-step process, asking four questions as you meditate on a Scripture passage. The second is a simple one-step process of simply savoring one word or passage from the Scriptures.

Tech Talk

OV 50459
2012 YouTube / Outside Da Box Production
http://safeshare.tv/w/woYtNrSkNS

Two inventors present cutting-edge technological inventions that help people connect with God. The first helps you find the god you create for yourself. Contrast this to the second, The Bible, which we simply need to read and pray.

What Do Guys Like To Read? (Reading And Lectio Divina)

OV 50254
2013 YouTube / QuietWatersMedia
http://safeshare.tv/w/EFsZLmTyys

Teen boys discuss Lectio Divina, as well as other types of spiritual and non-spiritual reading.
This music video sings of God speaking in the silence of our heart in order to deliver us from our own noise and chaos. (This may be used as a companion to the article, Our Relationship With The Lord Grows From Reading And Praying The Bible, OR #50104.)

**You Speak**

OV 50105  
Assad, Audrey  
2013 YouTube  
S, YA, A  
6 min.

http://safeshare.tv/w/TulwReTzla

This series will introduce viewers to the "depth dimension" of many key Catholic insights. Catholicism is based on scripture and tradition. But what is tradition? It is simply a rememberance of things past? If it is a "living tradition" what does that mean for the Church today? And how do we discern what is "living" and what is "dead"? Rev. Michael Himes explains what tradition is and how it is a dynamic reality within contemporary catholicism. Rev. Himes will shed light on this controversal topic in rich images of growing, life-giving tradition.

**Mystery Of Faith, The: An Introduction To Catholicism - Tradition**

VC 07310  
Himes, Rev. Michael  
1994 Corpus Video  
YA, A  
20 min.

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