

A note from Nick McDonald - author of [Faker](#):

I'm very happy for you to have a copy of the reading list I give my teenagers. Please keep in mind that I'm working with a very intellectual crowd of young people, here—most of them go to classical schools and are going to Ivy League Universities after graduation. Also, these are all my TOPICAL books. I also go through books of the Bible with all my students, and that's where all The Good Book Company books would come in. I don't list these here. Also, the books generally go from easier to more difficult.

Family, Marriage and Sexuality:

Grace-Based Parenting (Parents)
Shepherding a Child's Heart (Parents)
A Neglected Grace (Parents)
[The Meaning of Marriage](#)
[Washed and Waiting](#)
Compassion Without Compromise
Hide or Seek

Fiction

The Works of C.S. Lewis (The Great Divorce, Chronicles of Narnia, Till We Have Faces, Space Trilogy)
The Lord of the Rings
Works of Marilynne Robinson (Gilead, Lila, Housekeeping, etc.)
The Works of Madeleine L'Engle
Pilgrim's Progress
Short Stories of Flannery O'Connor
The Works of Dostoevsky
Phantastes – George MacDonald
The Man Who Would Be King – Dorothy Sayers

God's Word

Words of Life
[Taking God at His Word - DeYoung](#)
Fundamentalism and the Word of God - Packer
Exegetical Fallacies - Carson
The Reliability of the NT Manuscripts – F.F. Bruce
The Doctrine of the Knowledge of God – John Frame

Apologetics

[Tricky - Dormondy & Laferton](#)
[The Reason for God](#)
The Abolition of Man
[Mere Christianity – CS Lewis](#)
The God who is there – Don Carson
Orthodoxy – G.K. Chesterton
Everlasting Man – G.K. Chesterton

Overcoming Sin and Temptation

[Faker – Nick McDonald](#)
Spiritual Depression – Lloyd Jones
[The Screwtape Letters – C.S. Lewis](#)
Overcoming Sin and Temptation - Owen

Spiritual Disciplines

[Desiring God - Piper](#)
Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life - Whitney
True Spirituality - Schaeffer
Putting Amazing back into Grace – Horton
Studies in the Sermon on the Mount – Lloyd Jones
The Cost of Discipleship - Bonehoeffer

Systematic Theology

The Westminster Confession of Faith
The Heidelberg Catechism
[The Cross of Christ - Stott](#)
Concise Theology - Packer
Delighting in the Trinity - Reeves
The Holiness of God - Sproul
Not the Way It's Supposed to Be - Plantinga
[The Difficult Doctrine of the Love of God - Carson](#)
[Knowing God - Packer](#)

Biblical Theology

[The Jesus Storybook Bible](#)
Jesus on Every Page - Murray
Christ of the Covenants - Robertson
Surprised by Hope - Wright
The Weight of Glory - Lewis
The Drama of Scripture

Social Justice

Neither Poverty nor Riches
[Generous Justice – Keller](#)
Radical – David Platt
Toxic Charity
The Poor Will Be Glad

Community and Discipleship

[Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands – Tripp](#)
Community – Brad House
The Peacemaker – Ken Sande
How People Change – Lane and Tripp
[Total Church/A Meal with Jesus/Everyday Church](#) – Chester/Timmis
[The Trellis and the Vine](#)
[Growth Groups](#)

Culture Making/Stewardship

[Every Good Endeavor – Keller](#)
Culture Making – Crouch
The Scandal of the Evangelical mind – Noll
A Brief History of Thought – Luc Ferry
For the Life of the World – DVD Series
[Just Do Something – DeYoung](#)

Mission:

[Christianity Explored](#)
Tell the Truth – Metzger
[Center Church – Keller](#)
Radical – Platt
[Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God – Packer](#)
[Basic Christianity – Stott](#)
[Prodigal God – Keller](#)
[Let the Nations Be Glad – Piper](#)
[Don't Waste Your life – Piper](#)