

Henry Virkler Christian Guide To Critical Thinking

How do we find and contact pastoral candidates? What background information do we need to know about pastoral candidates? What do we need to consider when developing a salary and benefit package for a new pastor? Each year several thousand churches face questions like these as they search for new pastors. To help make the process easier to help avoid costly mistakes, Dr. Henry Virkler has organized a comprehensive, step-by-step plan to guide search committees through the intricacies of selection procedures in *Choosing a New Pastor*. Dr. Virkler employs a transdenominational approach as he: -identifies twenty-one mistakes that pastor nominating committees make and suggests alternative steps to take; -steers churches through the phases of transition, from saying good-bye to the old pastor to orienting the new one; -proposes guidelines for conflict resolution when pastor and congregation disagree; -plus, it includes sample information forms, interview forms, and letters. This complete guide to pastoral selection will successfully guide you through the process both efficiently and effectively.

Are you able to make friends and deepen those friendships when you desire? Are you able to express your thoughts, feelings and needs, even when they differ from those around you? Are you able to talk about things that bother you in ways that show love and respect to those with whom you are frustrated? If your answer to any of the questions above is "no,"

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Speaking the Truth in Love will provide practical guidelines to help you achieve those objectives. It attempts to show that setting healthy boundaries is compatible with our biblical calling to love and serve one another. Henry Virkler is a Christian psychologist who has been teaching Christian counseling for the past thirty years. Other books include Broken Promises: Understanding, Healing and Preventing Affairs, Hermeneutics: Principles and Processes of Biblical Interpretation, Choosing a New Pastor: The Complete Handbook, and A Christian's Guide to Critical Thinking. Dr. Virkler and his wife have two sons and reside in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. He teaches in the counseling program at Palm Beach Atlantic University.

When skeptics ask tough questions, believers can turn to this helpful, user-friendly guide for thoughtful, up-to-date answers. Readers will also learn to identify and respond to the misuse of Scripture by nonbelievers and help detractors see the fullness, beauty, and truth of Christianity.

The life of Jesus Christ takes on fresh clarity and meaning in this masterful work by Dwight Pentecost. The words, the miracles, and overarching message of the Messiah come alive in flowing and detailed chronology, set against the cultural, political, and religious setting of his day. You'll gain new understanding of why Jesus came, how he operated, and what he accomplished. Above all, you'll acquire a deeper appreciation for the love that guided his path, beginning in a manger in Bethlehem, leading through three and a half years of ministry that ended abruptly at the cross on Golgotha, and blazing forth in eternal triumph at the resurrection. Drawing liberally on the

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works of others who have written about Christ, such as Alfred Edersheim, J. W. Shepherd, W. Graham Scroggie, and Frederick Faraar, Dr. Pentecost reveals in his own writing a familiarity with the subject that comes from years of teaching. Yet he writes, not as one who knows all there is to know about Christ, but with the restraint of one who knows that Jesus is to be worshiped and adored as the great King, and that no book can do more than begin to tell all the wonders of his being and his love.

A Handbook for Students and Pastors

How to Release His Gifts in Every Area of Your Life

Old Testament Exegesis, Fourth Edition

Reclaim Your Personal Life While Achieving Greater Professional Success

Broken Promises

Christian Education

An Introduction to Logical Thinking

Have you ever heard a Bible interpretation or a scientifically-based argument that just didn't seem correct? Did you wish you knew how to show that it wasn't true? In a postmodern society, Christians are increasingly confronted with assertions that contradict the principles they believe. They need to be able to critically analyze arguments and know how to refute, in a gentle way, those assertions that are not true. In order to do this Christians need three sets of skills: -hermeneutical skills -- to know how to accurately interpret God's Word and be able to correct misinterpretations of Scripture; -research design and statistical skills -- to be able to examine statements

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about God's world and evaluate whether or not they represent valid conclusions from the data; -knowledge of logical fallacies -- in order to be able to identify when invalid inductive or deductive conclusions were being drawn, either from God's Word or from research studies about God's world. This book will help you be able to do the following: -know and use valid hermeneutical skills; -understand research design and statistical analysis techniques; -recognize logical fallacies and replace them with accurate analyses. An excellent resource for pastors, Sunday school teachers, and group leaders, this book is as practical as it is valuable for persons who want to discern truth and refute error in a spirit of love.

The perfect introductory textbook, this simplified study of logic prepares readers to reason thoughtfully and to spot illogic in an argument.

Proposes a method of biblical interpretation consisting of contextual, syntactical, verbal, theological, and homiletical analysis.

Examines early Christian interpretation of the Bible from various perspectives.

A Christian Approach to Assertiveness
Understanding, Healing, and Preventing
Affairs in Christian Marriages

A Developmental Guide for Preaching and
Teaching Expository, Homiletical Theology

A Basic Guide to Interpreting the Bible
When Skeptics Ask

A Beginner's Guide to Crossing Cultures

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Foundations for Biblical Christian Counseling
A Christian's Guide to Critical Thinking Wipf and Stock Publishers

A practical guide for individuals and groups designed to help readers to live a more rewarding and fulfilling life both at work and throughout their life. This is the companion workbook to the breakout message proclaimed in *The One-Life Solution* by Dr. Henry Cloud.

A hermeneutics book for the common person. Readers will appreciate the scholarly, yet readable style of Roy Zuck, former Professor of Bible Exposition at Dallas Theological Seminary.

Since its publication in 1994, *An Introduction to Biblical Hermeneutics* has become a standard text for a generation of students, pastors, and serious lay readers. This second edition has been substantially updated and expanded, allowing the authors to fine-tune and enrich their discussions on fundamental interpretive topics. In addition, four new chapters have been included that address more recent controversial issues:

- The role of biblical theology in interpretation
- How to deal with contemporary questions not directly addressed in the Bible
- The New Testament's use of the Old Testament
- The role of history in interpretation

The book retains the unique aspect of being written by two scholars who hold differing viewpoints on many issues, making for vibrant, thought-provoking dialogue. What they do agree on, however, is the authority of Scripture, the relevance of personal Bible study to life, and why these things matter.

A Practical Guide to Discovering Biblical Truth

A Guide to Christian Assertiveness

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The One-Life Solution

Homiletics

4 Keys to Hearing God's Voice

An Introduction to Early Christian Interpretation of the Bible

A Guide for Exegesis

All of the gifts of the Holy Spirit are available continuously, effortlessly, and naturally to every Christian. First Corinthians 12:7-11 reveals the nine-fold manifestation—wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, miraculous powers, prophecy, distinguishing between spirits, speaking in tongues, and interpretation of tongues—but the Holy Spirit has much more that He wants to share with all Christians and He is ready to fill them to overflowing. Most people believe they can only have one or two of the gifts mentioned in Paul's letter, yet the Bible clearly shows that believers can receive all of them. In fact, the apostle himself probably evidenced all nine gifts. However, these are only examples of the way the Spirit of God may reveal Himself to His people. They are not the only ways He will do so. In *Overflow of the Spirit: How to Release His Gifts in Every Area of Your Life*, Dr. Mark Virkler and co-author Charity Virkler Kayembe, his daughter, endeavor to teach you how to connect with the Holy Spirit moment by moment and intentionally draw upon His supernatural abilities. You will learn how to tune to the indwelling Holy Spirit and release Him into every situation of your

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life. Rather than life being you in action, it will be the Holy Spirit in action through you. Blessings will overtake you as you live and walk by the Spirit. The overflow of the Spirit opens the door to an entire lifestyle of intimacy with God that, once mastered, releases the heavens and God's provisions for your life. The authors' clear, lineal, biblical teaching is interspersed with real-life stories that clearly illustrate each point. Application exercises at the end of each chapter help to guide you into putting the lessons into action.

In this accessible guide to interpreting the Bible, senior New Testament scholar Robert Stein helps readers identify various biblical genres, understand the meaning of biblical texts, and apply that meaning to contemporary life. This edition has been completely revised throughout to reflect Stein's current thinking and changes to the discipline over the past decade. Students of the Bible will find the book effective in group settings. Praise for the first edition "Stein's work is both a fine introduction to the task of biblical hermeneutics for the novice and an innovative refresher for the veteran teacher or pastor."--Faith & Mission

This second edition of Carson's Exegetical Fallacies is updated and corrected. The author knocks holes in favorite Bible interpretation methods based on improper use of the text. Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

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The greatest principle ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ should learn the readiness to serve in a special position within the church without wielding authority and perform the inspired service correspondent to their office. Additionally, they endeavor to introduce exposition, homiletics, and theology as tools for the life of the minister to preach Gods Word with power, boldness, and conviction to change lives; and as called messengers of God, they should be enabled to learn, deliver, and master the art of preaching and teaching.

From Legalism to Freedom

Choosing a New Pastor

Overflow of the Spirit

Principles and Processes of Biblical Interpretation

Hearing God's Voice

Foundations for the Future

Slaves, Women & Homosexuals

Dr. S. Franklin Logsdon, Bible teacher and evangelist, says of this book: "These principles of Bible study by Dr. J. Edwin Hartill have been tested and proved in his own personal teaching for many years. They are succinct, pointed, practical, original, understandable -- simple keys to unlock the storehouse of Scripture to things both old and new. This publication makes a distinct contribution to Bible lovers in their search for increased knowledge of divine truth. It is a privilege and an honor to commend it to God's people." Using a graphic combination of text, charts, and outlines, Dr. Hartill states, "I

trust that as you study these principles, your understanding of the Word and your love for its truth may deepen, so that you may more ably pass it on to others."

For years, Douglas Stuart's Old Testament Exegesis has been one of the most popular ways to learn how to perform exegesis--the science and art of interpreting biblical texts properly for understanding as well as proclamation.

Completely updated and substantially expanded, this new edition includes scores of newer resources, a new configuration of the format for the exegesis process, and an entirely new section explaining where to find and how to use the latest electronic and online resources for doing biblical research. Stuart provides guidance for full exegesis as well as for a quicker approach to provide information specifically tailored to the task of preaching. A glossary of terms explains the sometimes bewildering language of biblical scholarship, and a list of frequent errors guides the student in avoiding common mistakes. No exegetical guide for the Old Testament has been more widely used in training ministers and students to be faithful, careful interpreters of Scripture. An introductory look at the principles of biblical Christian counseling, this book is sure to find a wide and enduring audience through the American Association of Christian Counselors (over 50,000 members).

Do you feel that if you could get rid of some of the chaos in your work life you could take your performance to a greater level? Do you stay late

at the office many nights, trying to empty an inbox that never seems to diminish? Do you have difficulty dealing with cantankerous bosses or passive-aggressive coworkers? Do you find yourself checking your BlackBerry—almost against your will—during dates, family dinners, or your children's soccer games? Do you feel fragmented, frustrated, or pulled in too many directions at once? If you've answered yes to any of the above, chances are that your work life has taken over your personal life. In *The One-Life Solution*, clinical psychologist and bestselling author Dr. Henry Cloud provides invaluable strategies for moving toward a more unified, coherent sense of self and a life that fully encompasses work, family, and spirituality. Dr. Cloud can help you: contain self-destructive behavior define yourself and know who you are set limits when needed communicate effectively improve your performance at the office and outside it

Making Friends in a Multicultural World

A Short Introduction to Hermeneutics

How to Understand Your Bible

A Comprehensive Guide to the Practice of Hermeneutics

Biblical Exegesis for Preaching and Teaching

The Complete Handbook

The One-Life Solution Workbook

A guide to essential aspects of Old Testament exegesis.

Since its publication in 1950, Protestant Biblical Interpretation has been a standard introduction to

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hermeneutics in evangelical colleges and seminaries. Twice revised, this textbook has sold well over 100,000 copies. Now this venerable resource is available in a paperback edition.

"Hermeneutics," writes the author, "is the science and art of Biblical interpretation. . . . As such it forms one of the most important members of the theological sciences. This is especially true for conservative Protestantism, which looks on the Bible as . . . the only authoritative voice of God to man." After surveying the history of biblical interpretation, the author devotes seventy pages to explicating "the Protestant system of hermeneutics." He then discusses the doctrinal, devotional, and practical uses of the Bible. Following a chapter on the hermeneutical dimension of the problem of biblical inerrancy and secular science, he concludes with chapters on the interpretation of types, prophecy, and parables.

Seasoned educators teach principles of biblical interpretation to non-specialists. The second edition has been updated throughout.

Hermeneutics defines the rules used to search out the meaning of Scripture. This book assesses major Biblical interpreters & approaches to hermeneutics from the patristic period to the present day.

The Words and Works of Jesus Christ

Basic Bible Interpretation

The Foundations of Christian Doctrine

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*Speaking Your Mind Without Stepping on Toes
A Christian's Guide to Critical Thinking*

Speaking the Truth in Love

A Textbook of Hermeneutics

Develop an excellent Christian education ministry with this introductory guide from the faculty of Biola University's Talbot School of Theology.

Based on the highly popular and successful book, How to Hear God's Voice, this exciting new book emphasizes the 4 Keys to Hearing God's Voice. "When I learned to hear God's voice after 11 years as a believer without it, every part of me was radically transformed. Thousands have told me they have had this same metamorphosis, and I believe that this will become your testimony also," writes co-author, Mark Virkler. The keys that are examined, discussed in detail, and can be immediately applied to your life are: How to recognize God's voice as spontaneous thoughts. Learning how to become still before the Lord. Looking for vision as you pray. Realizing the importance of two-way journaling. Filled with insights from years of hearing from God, 4 Keys to Hearing God's Voice also includes visual aids that enhance the teaching and learning experience. Very reader-friendly, you will find that the concepts and

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principles are easily adapted to your personal circumstances and lifestyle. Designed to bring even more depth to your relationship with God, this book is part of an integrated package that includes a DVD and seminar guide for either individual or group study. Either as a stand-alone book or as part of a package, you are sure to gain valuable encouragement and motivation to seek intimate communication with God, your heavenly Father.

Have you ever felt like you can't make sense out of the Bible but wished you could? Then this book is for you. Starting from scratch, Norton Sterrett presents the general rules for reading the Bible's ordinary language and moves on to specific principles that apply to special types of language such as parables, figures of speech, Hebrew poetry and symbols.

This volume by William J. Webb explores the hermeneutical maze that accompanies any treatment of these three controversial topics and takes a new step toward breaking down walls within the evangelical community related to them.

Sanctified Vision

Interpreting the Old Testament

Christian Apologetics

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Introduction to Biblical Hermeneutics ***Inductive Bible Study***

The Counsel of Heaven on Earth

Get historical insight and practical help for your adult Christian education needs.

Following up Robert Traina's classic Methodical Bible Study, this book introduces the practice of inductive Bible study to a new generation of students, pastors, and church leaders. The authors, two seasoned educators with over sixty combined years of experience in the classroom, offer guidance on adopting an inductive posture and provide step-by-step instructions on how to do inductive Bible study. They engage in conversation with current hermeneutical issues, setting forth well-grounded principles and processes for biblical interpretation and appropriation. The process they present incorporates various methods of biblical study to help readers hear the message of the Bible on its own terms.

Foundations of Christian Doctrine presents a simply-written explication of the great doctrines of the Christian faith for use in classroom instruction and personal study.

The global village has arrived. Recent census figures show that communities in the United States are more culturally and ethnically diverse than ever before. And you may be just one of many who find it challenging to build relationships with people from backgrounds unlike your own. How do you befriend an international student or a new coworker from a different country? What can you expect when your church building is shared with a congregation from another cultural group? Why are your words and actions sometimes misinterpreted by others? Crosscultural specialist Patty Lane answers these questions and more. She shows you how to develop hands-on

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relational skills that build crosscultural friendships. And she provides practical resources to help you navigate multicultural environments with sensitivity and savvy. Filled with vivid stories of real-life situations, her helpful guidebook explains frequently misunderstood aspects of culture, debunks stereotypes and suggests ways to resolve crosscultural conflicts. Above all, Lane demonstrates God's heart for building bridges across cultures and shows how you can reach out to people of every nation, culture and ethnicity. Whether you are actively ministering to people of different cultural backgrounds, traveling to other countries for your business or simply want to make friends across cultural lines, this engaging handbook is a perfect introduction to the journey.

The Christian Educator's Handbook on Adult Education
Hermeneutics

Protestant Biblical Interpretation

A Study of the Life of Christ

Foundations of Ministry

Principles of Biblical Hermeneutics

Exegetical Fallacies

Whether in the home or in the church or in a Christian school, the challenge of contemporary Christian educators is to meet the academic needs of students while remaining unswerving in adherence to biblical principles. Christian Education: Foundations for the Future introduces you to the basics of a healthy Christian education program, then takes you beyond, showing you how to develop a fresh, innovative Christian education program that will revitalize your church, home, or school.

In 1517, Martin Luther took a stand for justification by

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faith alone in the finished work of Christ upon Calvary. As a result of his position, he suffered persecution for adhering to the Scriptures alone and not to traditions. This book traces my spiritual journey from legalism to freedom in Christ. In sixteen chapters, I map out my heritage within the Churches of Christ and the motivations that eventually led me out of bondage to liberty. One of the lengthiest chapters in this book is "Where the Scriptures Speak." One objective of this chapter is to help individuals to understand that one may speak where the Bible speaks and not necessarily speak as the Bible speaks. Chapters 11, 12, and 13 represent the very heart of my escape from authoritarianism to my dependence upon God's righteousness, a righteousness from God through faith in Jesus. Chapter 14 focuses on preaching in the early church. Without an understanding of the Gospel that the apostles proclaimed, Christians will never learn the spirit of toleration for differences within the Christian community. Chapters 8, 15, and 16 give attention to the Last Supper. The communion should be a constant reminder of the Cross and true unity among God's children. Chapter 1, 2, and 3 outline my original journey of faith. Dallas Burdette has been a serious student, teacher and preacher of the Bible for fifty-eight years, supporting himself for many years as an agent for AFLAC. He has written numerous articles for religious journals, as well as many essays and sermons which are available on his website. He has developed a keen interest in promoting unity among God's people through a more

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accurate reading of the Word. He has degrees from Amridge University (formerly Southern Christian University) where he also was Director of Extended Learning for five years. He holds the Doctor of Ministry degree (1999) from Erskine Theological Seminary. Based on classic Experiencing God principles, *Hearing God's Voice* is for those who are ready to listen. Beloved author Henry Blackaby and his son Richard help those who are listening to discern the voice of God, to identify ways He speaks, and to respond to His revelations of His will. God speaks to individuals in ways that are personal and unique to each person. God will never say anything that contravenes what He has said in the Bible, and usually He confirms what He has said. After you learn to listen to God, hearing from God will be as natural as communicating with a close friend.

ADULTERY Recognizing the Signs Stopping It Before It Starts Recovering from the Damage One-half of the young and middle-aged couples in this country will at some time struggle with the painful and destructive results of an affair. Can these marriages be saved? Can the number of shaken marriages be reduced? Psychologist and counselor Henry Virkler has some answers. In this vital book he describes the devastating effects of adultery, how couples can take preventive steps to reduce the likelihood of it happening in their own marriages, and what to do if it does happen. He writes for professional counselors, for pastors, and for those laypersons who find themselves wanting to understand the situation better. While the

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author is a committed Christian psychologist and counselor, he warns that faith doesn't automatically safeguard couples from sexual temptation. He shows - how to avoid "innocent" situations that can easily lead to an affair; - what you can do to strengthen your marriage and reduce the possibility that you or your partner will be tempted in an affair; - how to tell if your mate is having an affair, and what to do if your worst fears prove true; - how adultery does not need to lead to divorce if approached in the right way.

The Search for Meaning

A Handbook on Christian Evidences

An Introduction to Christian Education for a New Generation

Exploring the Hermeneutics of Cultural Analysis

Playing by the Rules

Toward an Exegetical Theology

Come, Let Us Reason

The standard for Christian apologetics, this systematic approach presents both the methods and reasons for defending Christianity.