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### **Christian Character** Simon and Schuster

New Look for Landmark Teaching on Living the Spirit-Empowered Life In our instant-gratification culture, we consume a fleeting, shallow diet of media, relationships, entertainment, and spirituality. Our souls go hungry, longing for a fuller, more satisfying life. Bestselling author and beloved pastor Jack Hayford shows, in what has become a modern-day classic, how we can feed our deepest places with the sustaining Bread of Life. With warmth and wisdom, he reveals how we can link our souls to timeless practices and principles set forth in Scripture. He invites you to rediscover the power and blessing of these spiritual disciplines--of true Spirit-fullness. Even more, he shows how these spiritual disciplines are relevant for today and how we can practice them in our quick-paced, surface-level culture. When we take time to fast and pray, worship daily, feed on God's Word, and more, we fully enter the rich adventure of becoming an effective disciple of Christ--ensuring that our souls will never go hungry.

[Developing Clinicians of Character](#) Thomas Nelson

The Pastor's Soul Series. The stress of church leadership quickly reveals a pastor's strengths and weaknesses of character. Smith shows the way toward building consistent godliness throughout a leader's life that will stand these manifold tests.

[Living the Spirit-Formed Life](#) Ligonier Ministries

A Lost Book from J. Oswald Sanders Now Re-Released with a Beautiful New Cover "Many true lovers of the Lord are beset with a sense of inadequacy and failure in living the Christian life as it ought to be lived. ... they yearn to know Christ better and serve Him more worthily. It is to such that this little volume is addressed." -J. Oswald Sanders, from the introduction J. Oswald Sanders (best known for his book *Spiritual Leadership*, which has sold over a million copies) touched hundreds of thousands of lives in his lifetime and continues to inspire Christians today. His books *Spiritual Leadership*, *Spiritual Maturity*, and *The Incomparable Christ* are beloved and well-read to this day. But there are two of his books that readers haven't had access to in over 30 years. *Cultivation of Christian Character* is one of them. It's a profound and challenging book for anyone who earnestly wants to know God more. Sanders teaches you about spiritual struggle, the healing power of Scripture, and how to fight spiritual warfare victoriously. But most of all he shows you how to give up your self-focus and take up a Christ-focus. Any Christian who wants to grow will surely be benefited by this book.

[Developing Positive Christian Character](#) Moody Publishers

From the author of the acclaimed *Simply Christian* and *Surprised by Hope* comes a book that addresses the question that has plagued humans for centuries—what is our purpose? As Christians, what are we to do with that ambiguous time between baptism and the funeral? It's easy to become preoccupied with who gets into heaven; the real challenge is how we are going to live in the here and now. Wright dispels the common misconception that Christian living is nothing more than a checklist of dos and don'ts. Nor is it a prescription to "follow your heart" wherever it may lead. Instead, *After You Believe* reveals the Bible's call for a revolution—a transformation of character that takes us beyond our earthly pursuit of money, sex, and power into a virtuous state of living that allows us to reflect God and live more worshipful, fulfilling lives. We are all spiritual seekers, intuitively knowing there is more to life than we suspect. This is a book for anyone who is hoping there is something more while we're here on Earth. There is. We are being called to join the revolution, and Wright insightfully encourages readers to find new purpose and clarity by taking us on an eye-opening journey through key biblical passages that promise to radically alter the work of the church and the direction of our lives.

### **Growing True Disciples** Waterbrook Press

"To love [God] with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." -Jesus' words in Mark 12:33 Without question the crucial issue in living the Christian life is the condition of your heart. Actions may be temporarily deceiving, but ultimately our outward behavior will reflect what's inside, because our internal attitudes form who we really are. Those inner attitudes are also what God deems most important. In this book one of Christianity's most respected Bible teachers and pastors examines the foundational attitudes, or "pillars," of Christian character as outlined in God's Word. Pillars such as genuine faith, obedience, humility, selfless love, forgiveness, self-discipline, gratitude, and worship. To some degree each trait, on its own, marks a person as one of God's own and reveals an active, living faith. Each is an essential element of mature Christianity. But there is transforming power when you combine them in your everyday living as God commands. Your character will be grounded in godliness; you will see things from an eternal perspective; and your faith, your actions, your witness to others will be revitalized from the inside out.

[The Assurance of Salvation](#) Baker Books

"Hands down my favorite book for teen girls." Rosaria Butterfield, author, *The Gospel Comes with a House Key* Your teen years matter. Of all the ways you're learning and changing during the busy teenage years, your growth in Christ is the most important. God intends to use your teen years as a launching pad into a lifelong pursuit of looking more like Jesus. This book will help you prioritize your Christian growth—pointing you to the resources God has given you in his Word, in prayer, and in the church; offering help for managing your emotions, watching your words, and bearing spiritual fruit; and challenging you with ways to center your life around this important task. Even as a teenager, you have all it takes to grow in godliness.

[Developing Christian Character](#) Tyndale House

Developed from years of student ministry experience, the Intensive Discipleship Course is designed specifically for high schoolers and college students seeking to be bold and purposeful disciples of Christ. Each volume in the series contains a twelve-week program of daily Bible readings, Scripture memory, missions and book reports, and tools for spiritual growth.

[Developing Godly Character in Children](#) InterVarsity Press

This book is about how to read and study the Bible. This book is about getting the non-Christian to learn how to study the Bible, and this book is for the Pastor and theologian who needs to have their "refresh" button pressed. This book is in fact for anybody desiring to know the Book of ages. If you are new to the Word or are a seasoned teacher. If you do not know where to begin, or you have tried countless times and feel overwhelmed and frustrated, this is the book for you!

[Cultivating Christian Character](#) InterVarsity Press

*A Christian Education in the Virtues* examines the connection between human nature and human flourishing. It draws on ancient and medieval sources to explore the formation of the person based on a Christian anthropology, emphasizing the communal nature of the virtuous life and provides a richer approach to the question of contemporary character education. The book argues that the only way to understand and construct our character virtues is to have a clear picture of what is the purpose and meaning of human life. It highlights the importance of engaging with moral issues and makes the case that, for Christian educators, human flourishing is inseparable from God's active relationship to human beings. The book also explores a teleological approach to character education goals. To educate the whole person in the light of an all-embracing Christian worldview is challenged by secular and liberal ideology and is often seen as irrational to the modern mind. Overall, the text seeks to demonstrate that many aspects of a Neo-Aristotelian-Thomist theoretical underpinning for Christian character education holds out a viable option for Christians. It therefore argues the case for the educational potential of Christian character education. This important book will be essential

reading for academics, researchers and students in the fields of character and virtue education, religious education and the philosophy of education. The Open Access version of this book, available at [www.taylorfrancis.com/books/oa-mono/10.4324/9781003141877](http://www.taylorfrancis.com/books/oa-mono/10.4324/9781003141877), has been made available under a Creative Commons Attribution-Non Commercial-No Derivatives 4.0 license.

[Help in Daily Living](#) Chosen Books

We are called to excellence in all aspects of our lives and activities, and not least in our character. Andreas Köstenberger summons all Christians, and especially aspiring pastors, scholars, and teachers, to a life of virtue lived out in excellence. Köstenberger moves through Christian virtues chapter by chapter, outlining the Bible's teaching and showing how Christ-dependent excellence in each area will have a profound impact on one's ministry and scholarship. Virtues covered include grace, courage, integrity, creativity, eloquence, humility, diligence, and service. This unique book is an important character check for all Christians engaged in teaching and ministry, and especially for those in training. Köstenberger's thoughtful volume will be a valuable touchstone for readers, for one's character is a critical matter in both scholarship and ministry.

[Renovation of the Heart](#) College Press Publishing Company

Compassion, humility, faith, perseverance. We long for the beauty of Christ to be reflected in our lives. Such character comes only as the Spirit of God transforms us through the Word of God. These Bible studies will help you become the person God created you to be.

[Christian Character Building Stories for Middle Grade Students, Grades 5-8](#) Harper Collins

A compilation of selected review essays from Erickson's DVD Savant internet column.

[Five in a Row](#) Crossway

Study guide for Developing Christian Character includes lesson objectives, message outline, study questions, and discussion questions. Suitable for individual or group study.

[After You Believe](#) Crossway

We are told so often to simply do whatever makes us feel good. This study will help your group recognize the emptiness that is bound to come from pursuing such a course. It will move your members to a new appreciation of what God can do with a life that dares to be different than the world. It is a thought provoking and motivating study that your group will greatly benefit from.

[Growing in Godliness](#) Wildside Press LLC

Deriving insights from the life of Jesus in the Gospels, Klaus Issler uncovers the dynamics involved in truly becoming more Christlike. He shows how you can forge much deeper connections with Jesus.

The result is a closer alignment between what you want to do as a follower of Jesus, what you actually do and who you are becoming in him.

[Living into the Life of Jesus](#) Xulon Press

Over 500,000 copies in print "Godliness has value for all things." --1 Timothy 4:8 (NIV) How can you develop godly character? Bestselling author Jerry Bridges says that godliness is more than a character trait: "It is a foundational spiritual quality that makes the entire Christian life dynamic, effective, and pleasing to God." Growing in godliness is a twofold process. It involves an ever-deepening devotion to God and developing character that is steadily transformed into His likeness. In *The Practice of Godliness*, the sequel to the popular book *The Pursuit of Holiness*, readers will

learn how laying an inward foundation of God-centeredness will permit them to build an outward structure of godliness. Character formation will never be the same Discussion guide included.

[Excellence](#) SCM Press

Promote Christian values through this collection of crafts, activities, stories, and Bible verses. Units include honoring God, respecting others, telling the truth, self-control, being kind, and more!

[A Christian Education in the Virtues](#) Tyndale House

Godly character stands as the most prized goal in Christian education. More than merely teaching a child or anyone else to do and to know about certain things, a God-centered education involves what a person is. It aims to bring forth a life at-one with God, consumed by His love, filled with His truth, submitted to His purpose, conformed to His image. Building Christian Character has been designed to help parents disciple children (and churches disciple believers); and for over 20 years it has done just that, revolutionizing the lives of thousands of families and churches. It has done so by providing tools to help craft the different facets of the jewel of character as the child or disciple runs the course God has laid out for him. The book highlights 24 elements of character, pairing these elements according to contrasting positive and negative character traits (works of the Spirit versus works of the flesh). This book presents the meaning, importance and principles of each of the elements of character and then discusses how each unfolds in the individual's life and behavior. The content and form of this book encourages sharing these truths through living relationships, enabling mentors to gear the material to each mentee's level of understanding. The book presents hundreds of scriptures, organized around each topic, for study or memorization. Consistent and judicious use of this book will allow you to better bring within your reach the vast responsibility of parenting or pastoring as you enter into deeper relationship with children, disciples and God. The book assumes the approach that a life impresses and guides better than precepts alone, so it also speaks to parents and pastors, hoping they will also build their own Christian character as the main beacon for others to follow. As you minister through this book, you'll inevitably see it applying to your own life, helping you to become a more effective vessel to disciple those under your nurture and care. Many parents, teachers and pastors have testified that the changes in their own lives have been rewarding as those in the lives they've instructed.

[The Practice of Godliness](#) InterVarsity Press

Teaching Outline + Study Guide for The Assurance of Salvation

[The Military Guide to Armageddon](#) InterVarsity Press

We are at war right now. The forces of light and darkness are lined up in battle array as the world moves closer to the end of the age. Using both military and spiritual warfare tactics, this U.S. Army colonel and Pulitzer Prize-nominated journalist equip you as a believer to be battle-ready. This training manual will teach you to · be empowered to counter the darkness of approaching end-times forces · develop your spiritual gifts so you can walk in the supernatural power and protection of the Holy Spirit · move into a new level of spiritual warfare based on biblical and military principles · study the Bible more intently as real-time world events and biblical prophecies intersect As the end times draw near, prepare to be fully equipped and trained in the weapons of spiritual warfare. You are gifted by the Holy Spirit--now be empowered, disciplined, and courageous, ready to do battle with the forces of this present darkness in these last days.