

# Women's MINISTRY

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*Fall 2012 Resource List*

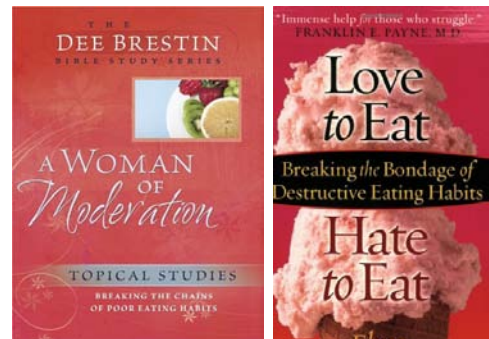
## Biblical Femininity

- Recommended book studies:
  - *Captivated* by Stacey Edredge
  - *Authentic Beauty: The Shaping of a Set-Apart Young Woman* by Leslie Ludy
  - *Set-Apart Femininity: God's Sacred Intent for Every Young Woman* by Leslie Ludy



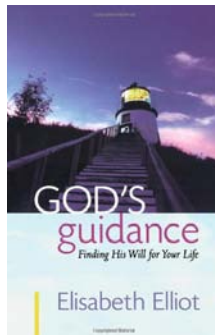
## Food Idolatry

- “Failure to Freedom by Faith” (audio) by Carrie Eagan, Alicia Cullis, and Kathy Brush (2/26/2011), available at [summitview.com/teachings](http://summitview.com/teachings)
- Recommended book studies:
  - *Love to Eat, Hate to Eat* by Elyse Fitzpatrick
  - *A Woman of Moderation: Breaking the Chains of Poor Eating Habits* by Dee Brestin (book/online study)



## Discerning God's Will

- *God's Guidance: Finding His Will for Your Life* by Elisabeth Elliot (includes study guide)



## Fruit of the Spirit

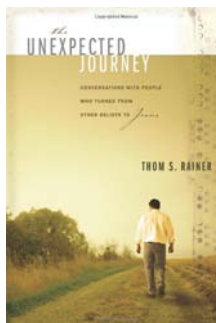
- Study Galatians 5:22-25. Break it out into an eight-week study and examine one characteristic each week (doubling up on one or two, as needed)

## Jesus as "I Am"

- Study the “I Am”s of Jesus in John’s gospel and the practical applications of believing that He is “I Am”:
  - The Bread of Life - John 6:33, 6:47
  - The Light of the World - John 8:12
  - The Gate for the Sheep - John 10:7
  - The Good Shepherd - John 10:11
  - The Resurrection & Life - John 11:25
  - The Way, Truth & Life - John 14:6
  - The Vine: John 15:5

## Evangelism and Outreach

- Philippians 2:12-16a, Colossians 4:5-6, 2 Corinthians 5:11-21, 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12
- *The Unexpected Journey: Conversations with People who Turned from Other Beliefs to Jesus* by Thom S. Rainer. This book is a collection of real-life stories of people coming to Jesus from different religions and spiritual conditions, often through simple friendship and kindness extended by a Christian.

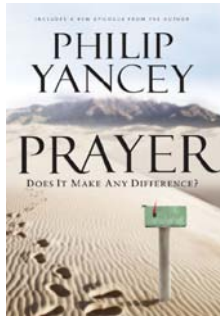


## Recommended First Get-together

- Share personal testimonies/life stories at your first get-together. This is a quick way to **really** get to know each other, dig deep and start friendships “in the middle.”

## Personal Disciplines

- Look at disciplines like prayer, quiet times, Bible study, and worship. Discuss practicals (how/why).
  - Prayer: Matthew 6:5-13, *Prayer* by Philip Yancey
  - Importance of the Word: Psalms 119, 2 Timothy 3:16-17



## Practical Life Skills

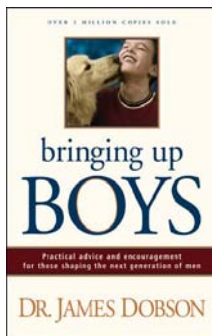
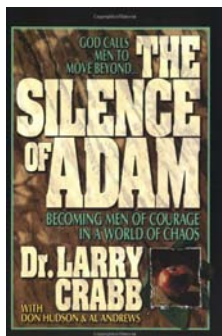
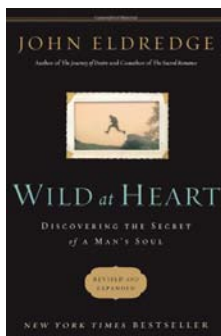
- Apply Scripture to everyday skills!
  - Home/Time management: Faithfulness in small things, being unseen/unappreciated by others
  - Cooking class: Hospitality, obedience to God's recipes for life, peace, etc.
  - Canning/Food preservation: Fruitfulness, preserving of good things
  - Exercise class: Obedience, discipline of the flesh for spiritual good, unity of the body, all parts working as designed (Recommended: *Fearfully and Wonderfully Made* by Philip Yancey and Paul Brand)

## Procrastination

- Discuss the habit and how to step out of the rut.
- Listen to and discuss "Putting Off Procrastination" (audio) by Charles Stanley (12/1/2010), available at [intouch.org/broadcast/audio-archives](http://intouch.org/broadcast/audio-archives)

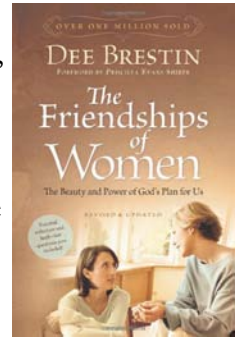
## Raising Kids

- Ephesians 6:1-4, Colossians 3:20-21, Deuteronomy 5:16, Deuteronomy 6:4-9
- "Loving Your Children" (audio) by Carrie Eagan (1/10/2009), available at [summitview.com/teachings](http://summitview.com/teachings)
- Discuss being different types of mothers: young mothers, mothers of boys, and mothers of teens
  - Recommended books for mothers of boys:
    - Wild at Heart* by John Eldredge
    - The Silence of Adam* by Larry Crabb
    - Bringing up Boys* by James Dobson



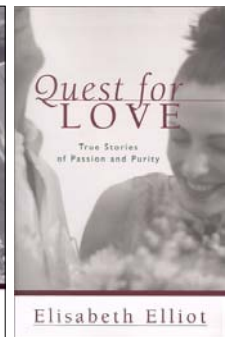
## Relationships

- Discuss loving your husband well: Ephesians 5:22-33, 1 Corinthians 7, 1 Peter 3:1-6
- Discuss friendships between/among women. Ideas include:
  - *The Friendships of Women* by Dee Brestin (Carrie has 6 copies)
  - Examine and discuss relationships between Mary & Elizabeth or Ruth & Naomi



## Singleness

- 1 Corinthians 7:32-35
- Recommended book studies:
  - *When God Writes Your Love Story* by Eric & Leslie Ludy
  - *Passion and Purity* by Elisabeth Elliot
  - *Quest for Love* by Elisabeth Elliot



## Other Ideas

- Do a study on **personal integrity and purity**
- Study the lives of women in Jesus' life and how they interacted with Him for a look at **how to serve**
- Study how to **biblically submit to authority**, using Colossians 3:22-24
- Study the **life and example of Jesus**. Pick events in Jesus' life to study and discuss. Try using an OIA (observation/interpretation/application) worksheet.
- Read and discuss excerpts from *Secure in the Everlasting Arms* (Devotional) by Elisabeth Elliot

## Whatever you choose...

- Be encouraged that God wants to use your willingness to connect with women in **BIG** ways!
- Spend time praying through your decisions for what to do and who to invite!