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# 30 Books to Read Before 30 - posted by glaubemann, on: 2011/8/12 10:44

Hello, Would Like to Share 30 Books or some Book you believe one need to read before 30?

As for me here are some I gladly recommend.

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Bible
The SPiritual Secret of Hudson Taylor
E.M.Bounds on Prayer
At The Altar Of Sexual Idolatry from Steve Gallagher
Autobiography of Georges Mueller
Why Revival Tarries Leonard Ravenhill
DonÂ't wastes your Life John Piper
Humility Andrew Murray
The Pursuit of God A.W.Tozer
In Pursuit of God (Life Story of A.W.Tozer)
Discover the Bible for Yourself Kay Arthur

Recommend some

# Re: 30 Books to Read Before 30 - posted by Aussiedler, on: 2011/8/12 11:14

Hallo Glaubemann, never saw you here although you are a year longer than I on sermonindex...

## Re: - posted by glaubemann, on: 2011/8/12 13:06

Aussiedler, (Ich bin kein Forum freaks) I am not so good on posting nor to discuss on forum,but to Watch and read sermon I love it.

Grüss Gott

# Re: , on: 2011/8/12 13:06

I know 66 books everyone should read...no matter what age.

Krispy

Re: 30 Books to Read Before 30 - posted by ccchhhrrriiisss (), on: 2011/8/12 14:04

Hi glaubemann...

These are excellent selections. I would add:

THE PILGRIM'S PROGRESS by John Bunyan

THE CHRISTIAN IN COMPLETE ARMOUR by William Gurnall

THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE HOLY by A. W. Tozer

THE CROSS AND THE SWITCHBLADE by David Wilkerson

HUNGRY FOR MORE OF JESUS by David Wilkerson

NO COMPROMISE: THE LIFE STORY OF KEITH GREEN by Melody Green and David Hazard

### MY UTMOST FOR HIS HIGHEST by Oswald Chambers

THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

GOD'S SMUGGLER by Brother Andrew

MEMOIRS OF REVIVALS by Charles Finney

THE SCHOOL OF CHRIST by T. Austin Sparks

REES HOWELLS, INTERCESSOR by Norman Grubb

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF GEORGE MUELLER by George Mueller

FOXES BOOK OF MARTYRS by John Foxe

GRACE ABOUNDING TO THE CHIEF OF SINNERS by John Bunyan

This is just a quick list, but I think that I could think of several more if I paused a bit longer.

Personally, I prefer to urge new believers to refrain from reading extra-biblical works until AFTER they have a strong fou ndation in the Word of God and have read the Bible through (from cover to cover) at least twice (in addition to normal Bi ble study). This would help allow believers to effectively "test everything" by the primer of the Word of God.

### Re: - posted by DEADn (), on: 2011/8/13 10:16

Memoirs of Revival by Finney. What exactly is this book about? What would do for a reader?

Also, John Piper is a name I see coming up more and more. I only recently heard an except of him preaching and he s ounded in the some vein of David Wilkerson. What is Piper about that makes him great?

I ask this because I don't want to waste my time on reading and listening to things that aren't going to provoke me to so mething positive in my life, when it comes to the church what is great for one person isn't necessarily so for another. I like meat, straight and to the point stuff.

#### Re: - posted by ccchhhrrriiisss (), on: 2011/8/13 14:36

Hi DEADn,

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I had to think about whether or not to include this on such a list. It isn't because I have reservations about this book (I do n't). Rather, it is because some are very vocal about their feelings of Charles Finney.

However, this book did impact me as a youth...and it had nothing to do with the arguments about what Finney may (or m ay not) have felt about specific doctrinal notions.

I recommend this book -- the only work actually penned by Finney -- on the basis of Finney's testimony of turning to Chri st. I recommend this book because of the grief that Finney says that he felt when looking at the Church that was largely content in or unaware of their slumber. I also am impacted by the reaction of "Church members" who felt the need to act ually convert to Christ. Finney saw a need to not only evangelize the "unchurched" -- but also the "churched" because t he nation was filled with church-goers who had not truly been converted to Christ except in name.

Secular historians record the period described in Finney's memoirs as "the Second Great Awakening." At the time, man

y people awakened to a concern about their eternal condition. This is a firsthand account of that period -- which was cov ered in my own high school and college history courses. The book is not filled with "doctrine" -- but simply with the auto biographical experiences of a man who played a central role in the time.

I hope this helps you understand why I included it in my list of recommendations.

#### Re: - posted by DEADn (), on: 2011/8/13 16:30

That does help. Does this 'Memoirs'book then actually read like a diary of his thoughts or is it more like a book form typ e of thing?

#### Re: - posted by ccchhhrrriiisss (), on: 2011/8/13 20:23

Hi DEADn,

Finney's MEMOIRS read as an autobiography written in the first person.

You can read this online for free:

http://www.gospeltruth.net/1868Memoirs/memoirsindex.htm

You can read a condensed chapter from Keith and Melody Green's Last Day Ministries too:

http://tinyurl.com/finney001

I hope this helps. The Lord bless you!

#### Re: 30 Books to Read Before 30 - posted by JoshG, on: 2011/8/18 22:11

I agree with the books that were recommended... I would suggest that anything Watchman Nee or R. A. Torrey should m ake the list as well... R. A. Torrey books are an easy read and packed with bible verses :) ... You can read some of his st uff online for free too! (he died in 1928, lol)

#### Another book! - posted by JoshG, on: 2011/8/18 22:22

The greatest book I've ever read!!! (apart from the bible) "Deeper Experiences of Famous Christians" by J Gilchrist Laws on (1911)

Download the PDF at http://www.thechurchofthelivinggod.org/f/docs/DeeperExperiencesofFamousChristians.pdf

This book changed my life!

WARNING: Many new additions of this book are only half or a third of the size of the original...: (Its the short biographie s of men and women who were dramatically used by God!

#### Re: Another book! - posted by Aussiedler, on: 2011/8/19 6:32

Hey your link is broken! I really wanna have the full edition of that book! I read only one of the shorter additions. Have yo u any other link for that book?

#### Re: - posted by Aussiedler, on: 2011/8/19 6:36

found it:

http://lbcvidalia.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/02/Deeper-Experiences-of-Famous-Christians.pdf

this is a full edition that works.

### Re: - posted by JoshG, on: 2011/8/21 22:40

This is the full version that I have read... http://hunger-thirst.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/DeeperExperiencesofFam ousChristians.pdf

Its an actual scan of the original :)