

Adult Study Subjects

Most of these studies were 6 – 8 week units.

Some of these were significantly longer.

1. Study of the 5 major traditions found in scripture, the Old & New Testaments
2. Class presentation of an original Advent Devotional Booklet
3. Study women in ministry in a church of male privilege
4. Top seven things people think are in the bible but are not really there.
5. Basic Bible 101 – class requests of top ten issues and questions
6. Handel's Messiah bible texts of the life of Christ
7. Grace vs Works in Scripture
8. The Pilgrim and Congregational Traditions of Faith
9. The Evangelical & Reformed Tradition of Faith
10. Diana Butler Bass book Grounded
11. Diana Butler Bass book Gratitude
12. Marcus Borg book Speaking Christian: Why Christian Words Have Lost Their Meaning and Power — And How They Can Be Restored
13. Charlie Markus (class member) led a study of The Gospel of Thomas using resources of The Jesus Movement.
14. Charlie Markus (class member) presentation of his book 21 Children's Stories, which explain parts of our experience of God, Christ & the Church.
15. Christmas Story of The Nativity of Christ
16. The Last Week of Christ: What the Gospels Really Teach About Jesus's Final Days in Jerusalem by Marcus J. Borg & John Dominic Crossan
17. The Feminine Character of God's Divine Presence
18. The Gnostic Gospels, where they came from and the Nag Hammadi Texts
19. The Gospel of Thomas using resources of Elaine Pagels
20. The Gospel of Mary Magdalene
21. The Gospel of John
22. The Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke
23. Women of the Bible, women in the Church
24. The Gnostic Perspective of Creation and Light
25. Critical study of the beginnings of the institutional Church
26. Irenaeus – restructure of the church in the image of the Roman Empire
27. Knowing the Celtic Christ by John Philip Newell
28. Celtic Spirituality
29. Henri J.M. Nouwen – Spiritual living in a secular world
30. Henri J.M. Nouwen – Return of the Prodigal Son – Father, Son, Brother
31. Comparative study of Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism

32. Examination of The Jefferson Bible
33. Mary and Martha in the Gospel
34. Critical study of Mary Magdalene
35. Critical study of Mary the Mother of Jesus
36. Examination of Native American perspectives of the Gospel
37. Native American and Celtic Spiritualities side by side
38. Richard Rohr – practice of spirituality in our daily lives
39. The 10 Commandments
40. The Beatitudes
41. The Parables of Jesus
42. The differences between Jesus and Christ in the Church’s teachings
43. In Search of Paul
44. Nehemiah
45. Paul’s Conversion
46. Who is Thecla – and other women evangelists
47. The place and power of Metaphor in Bible Study
48. Pelagius’ and Original Sin, his conflict with Augustine by Matthew Fox
49. Living The Questions – Saving Jesus from the Church
50. Genesis thru Deuteronomy
51. Christmas: Consumerism and Christianity
52. Elevator Theology and the Realm of God Here and Now
53. Images of God thru history and across culture
54. Images of Christ thru history and across culture
55. Study of the Lectionary from Advent to Pentecost
56. Marcus Borg – Meeting Jesus Again for the First time
57. The message of the Gospel and the Church for our daily lives,
and our worshipping community