



Resource List: Recommended Resources for Each Area

Proclamation:

1. *Preaching*, Craddock, Fred
2. *Unleashing the Word*, Hamilton, Adam
3. *Biblical Exegesis: A Beginner's Handbook*, Hayes, John & Holladay, Carl
4. *A Theology of Preaching*, Lischer, Richard
5. *The Witness of Preaching*, Long, Thomas
6. *The Homiletical Plot*, Lowry, Eugene
7. *Proclamation and Theology*, Willimon, William
8. *Soul Preaching*, Kalas, Ellsworth
9. *Communication for a Change*, Stanley, Andy
10. *On Preaching*, Charles, H.B.
11. *Preaching in Black & White*, Bailey, E. K. Wiersbe, Warren W.
12. *Getting the Word Across*, G. Robert Jacks
13. *Surviving a Dangerous Sermon*, Frank A. Thomas
14. *Crossover Preaching: Intercultural-Improvisational Homiletics in Conversation with Gardner C. Taylor*, by Jared E. Alcántara
15. *I Believe I'll Testify: The Art of African American Preaching*, LaRue, Cleophus J.
16. *The Art of Gathering: how we meet and why it matters*, Parker, Priya
17. *Whole Life Worship*, Hargreaves, Sam
18. *How Stories Connect And Persuade Us: Unleashing The Brain Power Of Narrative*
<https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2020/04/11/815573198/how-stories-connect-and-persuade-us-unleashing-the-brain-power-of-narrative>
19. *The Science Behind Storytelling* <https://www.npr.org/2020/01/13/795977814/your-brain-on-storytelling>
20. Brené Brown Ted Talk: *The power of vulnerability*
https://www.ted.com/talks/brene_brown_the_power_of_vulnerability/transcript
21. *How to Tell a Story Effectively: 7 Storytelling Tips*
<https://www.masterclass.com/articles/how-to-tell-a-story-effectively#how-to-tell-a-story-effectively>
22. *FORBES: How to give a great speech* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TE4LfXGRRr0>
23. *First Person: How Humor Helps This Therapist Relate to His Clients*
<https://youtu.be/67Hbcy3xH64>
24. *How to Preach a Sermon Online* <https://www.faithlead.org/p/howtopreachasermononline>

Leadership:

1. *Leadership on the Line*, Linsky & Heifetz (revised 2017)
2. *Transitioning: Leading Your Church Through Change*, Southerland (2002)
3. *Leadership & Self-Deception*, Arbing Institute (2000)
4. *Race, Work, and Leadership: New Perspectives on the Black Experience*, by Laura Morgan Roberts, Harvard Business Review (2019) This discusses how race matters in people's experience of work & leadership and how we build inclusive organizations.

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The Florida Conference

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5. *The Anatomy of Peace*, Arbinger Institute (2000)
6. *Polity, Practice & Mission of the UMC*, Frank (2006)
7. *Four Disciplines of Execution*, McChesney & Covey (2016)
8. *Start with Why*, Sinek (2011)
9. *Good to Great*, Collins (2001)
 - a. *Good to Great and the Social Sector*, a Monograph to Accompany Good to Great by Jim Collins is especially pertinent to “all volunteer” organizations.
10. *Christians in the Public Square*, Marshall, Ellen Ott (2015)
11. *Canoeing the Mountains*, Leadership in unchartered territories, Bolsinger, (2018), which is much of our current climate.
12. *The Making of a Preacher: 5 Essentials for Ministers Today*, by Marvin A. McMickleb, publisher - Judson Pr (November 1, 2018) This looks at a five-stage approach to the spiritual formation of the preachers.
13. *Taking the Next Step – Leading Lasting Change in the Church*, Lovett Weems, (2003) Helps pastors work toward trying to maintain new church movement with traditional church leaders.
14. *How to Pioneer*, second edition (2016), Dave Male. Helps you understand pioneer ministry and how to start new things.
15. *The Five Dysfunctions of a Team*, Lencioni, (2002), A Leadership Fable. Good to go through with a leadership team to work on culture.
16. *Work Rules! Insights from Inside Google that will Transform How You Live and Lead*, Bock (2015) An inquiry into the philosophy of work – and a blueprint for attracting the most spectacular talent to your business and ensuring that they succeed.
17. *Contextual Intelligence: Unlocking the Ancient Secret to Mission on the Front Lines*, Sweet & Beck, (2020) Teaches leaders the essential competencies of reading a context and making correct decisions regarding what to do.
18. *Wolfpack: How to Come Together, Unleash Our Power, and Change the Game*, Wombach (2019), based on a 2018 commencement speech to encourage women to unleash their individual power, unite with their pack, and emerge victorious. To view a podcast about the book: [Brené with Abby Wambach on the New Rules of Leadership - Brené Brown \(brenebrown.com\)](#)

Theology: Make sure you are including some readings from outside your own culture

1. *Recapturing the Wesleys' Vision*, Paul Chilcote
2. *Missional Church*, Darrell Guder
3. *The Very Good Gospel*, Lisa Sharon Harper
4. *The Creed*, Luke Timothy Johnson
5. *Practicing Christian Doctrine*, Beth Felker Jones
6. *What Shall We Say*, Tom Long
7. *No Religion but Social Religion, Liberating Wesleyan Theology*, Joerg Rieger
8. *The New Creation*, Ted Runyon
9. *Jesus, Humanity and the Trinity*, Katherine Tanner

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10. *Surprised by Hope*, NT Wright

Personal Growth:

1. *Changes That Heal*, Cloud and Townsend
2. *Gifts of Imperfection*, Brené Brown
3. *Margin*, Richard Swenson
4. *Achieving Balance in Ministry*, Anthony Headley
5. *Spiritual Disciplines*, Richard Foster
6. *Breathing Underwater*, Richard Rohr
7. *Earn. Save. Give: Wesley's Simple Rules for Money*, Jim Harnish
8. *Podcast: The Power of Vulnerability* – Brené Brown
9. *Sabbath* – Wayne Muller
10. *24/6* – Matthew Sleeth
11. *The Other 6 Days* – Paul Stevens
12. *Three Simple Rules: Wesleyan Way of Living* – Rueben Job
13. *I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness* - Austin Channing Brown.
14. *Brother to a Dragonfly* - Will Campbell
15. *Podcast: The Power of Vulnerability* – Brené Brown

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