

Questions are Good. Discussion is Better.

Curiosity and Conversation can lead to deeper faith and stronger community. Sometimes a book can help. If any of these questions spark interest, check out the book in the KCC library and find a friend or two to read and discuss – or read alone and reflect.

Joy in these troubled times?

Finding joy in times of stress is the focus of **Joyful Anyway** by Kate Bowler. Bowler draws on her own experience with cancer and her study of current culture to provide helpful suggestions for Christians to celebrate joy, in spite of troubles. Easy to read; lots to discuss.

Disabled God? Disabled Church?

One reader described this book as a “redemptive kick in the pants” to rethink “disabilities.” **My Body Is Not a Prayer Request: Disability Justice in the Church**, written by Amy Kenny. Humorous. Thought-provoking. Guides for Reflection and Response with each chapter.

How to read the Bible?

An honest look at the harm caused by misuse of Bible texts opens the book, **Better Ways to Read the Bible: Transforming a Weapon of Harm into a Tool of Healing**, by Zach W. Lambert. Four ways of reading the Bible that do harm are followed by Four ways that promote healing. Guaranteed to foster discussion and love for the Bible.

Beauty in Aging?

85 photographs and short positive reflections on **Aging: the Fulfillment of Life**, by Henri Nouwen and Walter Gaffney.

Is justice too political for churches to talk about?

Joash Thomas draws on experience inside and outside North America in **The Justice of Jesus: Reimagining Your Church's Life Together to Pursue Liberation and Wholeness**. Stories and practical ideas help to see how justice is at the heart of the gospel. Questions with each chapter.

Spiritual Growth in Daily Life?

Many Christians find Henry Nouwen a helpful guide for daily living. Check out books on various topics, such as Intimacy, Relationships, Grief, Love, in the KCC library. Each combines Biblical reflection and practical suggestions. Short chapters open doors for dialogue.

Do Pronouns Matter for Christians?

If a small group is interested, KCC library can purchase a Study Guide for Christians. **People and Pronouns: Language that Sees Us; a Dynamic Guide for Individuals, Small Groups, and Churches**.

What can we learn from WW II?

The author of three novels and a personal memoir about life during the war is willing to come to KCC and talk about why she wrote these books, which are available in the library. Reading one of these and engaging with the author will foster your own reflections.