




## NEW RESOURCES

**Foundations: 11 Core Truths To Build Your Life On (KT0014)** This curriculum is about the essential truths of the Christian faith and how these truths are to be lived out. Rather than just teaching doctrinal knowledge, this course shows you how to apply biblical truths and implement them in your everyday life. The 11 Truths are: 1. Bible 2. God 3. Jesus 4. The Holy Spirit 5. Creation 6. Salvation 7. Sanctification 8. Good and Evil 9. The Afterlife 10. The Church 11. The Second Coming. Each lesson consists of two parts. (Total 22 lessons) Leader's and participant's guides; CD contains: PowerPoint slides and additional handouts and supplemental programming resources that may be printed out and used. Zondervan. For adults.

**Beginnings Study (VT2979-2982; DVD0009)** This 9 - 12 week small group study is intended for adults who are hungry for an intentional walk with God that encourages a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The target is inquirers, seekers, and new church members and begins where these adults are on their spiritual journey. The session design calls for two-hours, during which participants will share a meal, watch a short video/DVD segment, engage in meaningful discussion, study Scripture, explore Christian faith, and grow in depth of experience. This kit contains four videos, a DVD, a director's manual, a small-group leader's manual, a sample participant's guide, and a copy of the book *Along The Way*. For adults.

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**Answers With Ken Ham (VT2967-2978)** Featuring Australian Bible teacher Ken Ham, this series contains 12-part videos upholding the authority of the Bible from its very first verse. His presentation will equip Christians to defend the Christian faith and help to reconnect the Bible with the real world. 30min/program. Answers Media. For Jr. High & up. 1. Is Genesis relevant today? 2. Did God create in 6 literal days? 3. Why is there death and suffering? 4. Is there really a God? 5. Do animals evolve? 6. Where did the "races" come from? 7. What is the only answer to racism? 8. Dinosaurs—in the Bible? 9. How can we raise godly children? 10. Fossils and the Flood—What's the connection? 11 & 12. How can we evangelize a secular world? Part 1 & 2. This film discusses Biblical creationism. To know more about it, go to: [www.answersingenesis.org](http://www.answersingenesis.org).

**Korea's Hope: Reconciliation And Peace (VT2983)** Can the churches prevent war against North Korea? This video seeks to help American Christians understand why the question of North Korea has become such an issue for our government. It is hoped that American Christians will come to see the importance of reconciliation and reunification on the Korean Peninsula, and that we will oppose any movement toward military action against North Korea. A leader's guide is included. 29 min. National Training Center for Resource Center Directors, 2003.

**The Tabernacle (VT2966)** Here is an intriguing walk-through of the ancient Tabernacle. This meeting place between sinful humans and Holy God is seen using 3-D imagery. You'll marvel at the stark contrast between the bronze-covered altar with its implications of death and the exquisite gold lamp stand, showing the way to life and forgiveness. Workbook included. 28 min. Vision Video. For adults.

**Veggie Tales: The Star of Christmas (VT2963)** An electric-light extravaganza on Christmas Eve in the middle of 19th-century London? Nothing's impossible for Cavis and Milward (Bob and Larry)...or so they think, until a valuable 6th-century artifact from a local church grabs the limelight. Join the Veggies for song, spectacle, and a heartwarming holiday lesson about love. Closed Captioned. 45 min. Big Idea. For ages 4-11.



**Jacob's Gift (VT2964)** Jacob struggles to choose just the right project to show his craftsmanship, until he finally discovers a great idea. But harassed by his fellow students for his creativity, and with his father's inn overflowing with guests, Jacob is pulled away from his woodworking by duties and distractions. In the end, Jacob sacrifices winning the contest to do a kindness for a family with a newborn baby, and learns an important lesson about giving. Story by Max Lucado. 30 min. For ages 8-13.

### *The Crippled Lamb (VT2965)*

Little Joshua was a crippled lamb who always felt left out, but God had a very special plan for him—just as God does for everyone. One cold winter night, Joshua was in the right place at the right time to watch history's greatest event unfold...and to play a part in it. By Max Lucado. Closed captioned. 30 min. For ages 8-13.

## RESOURCES ON CHILDREN AND POVERTY

### *Young and On Their Own (VT1700)*

Updated version of *Hope Is The Last Thing To Die*. This documentary looks at street children and the pressures they face. It shows the work of Church World Service and The United Methodist Church workers among the street children and attempts to balance despair and hope in relating to the economic issues that the street children lift up. 17 min. For Jr. High & up.

### *Hope is the Last Thing to Die (VT0706)*

The Church World Service Fund is working with the street children of Brazil. Street children and youth of São Bernardo do Campo near São Paulo, Brazil, describe their lives, dreams, desperation, and brave hopes. 22 min. For Sr. High & up.

### *America's Children: Poorest In A Land Of Plenty (VT0419)*

There are nearly 13 million children living in poverty in America. This video depicts the lives of mothers, fathers, and children living on the borderline of banishment from their homes, jobs, schools and society because of poverty. The video releases a call for change in the system. 52 min. Viewer's guide; National Council of Churches.

### *Prayer of the Children (VT2636)*

This video helps present the goals of the Bishop's Initiative on Children and Poverty. It also supports the Hope for the Children of Africa effort. 4min. UMCCom, 1999. For adults.

## MORE CHILDREN & POVERTY RESOURCES

### *It Takes a Child (VT1912)*

This teleconference held May 5, 1998, offers factual information on children and poverty, provides biblical and theological grounding for work with children and the poor, and offers new challenges and hope. The program is sponsored by the Bishops' Initiative Task Force on Children and Poverty, UMC Communications, and denominational agencies. Guide included. 90 min. For adults.



### *Friends of the Family (VT0904)*

This film calls the urgent need for help in the less developed countries that are sorely lacking in food, shelter and medical care. It presents a comparison where two western children at home who enjoy normal living standards are seen collecting for UNICEF and then cutting back to scenes of want elsewhere, highlighting the inequalities that exist in the world. Relief is shown where UNICEF moves in with technical, agricultural and medical aid. 9 min. For ages 5-11.

### *Like Me (VT1336)*

In a quick montage, children from all over the world are seen as victims of drought, war, and famine. Yet, there are low-cost solutions to these problems which have the power to change children's lives. Children themselves narrate this fast-paced video, which provides viewers with factual information and a sense of empowerment. 10 min. West Glen Communications. For age 9 & up.

### *Let Children Live (VT0369)*

This video was produced by UMCOR to show the plight of children in the Andean Rural Health Care Project. The

story is told of the UMCOR's work in the area of Mother/Child Survival. Each day over 40,000 children die of hunger-related diseases. Over half of these children could be saved each day with the use of

four simple child survival techniques: breast feeding; immunization; growth monitoring; and oral rehydration therapy. This presentation shows how children in the Andean Mountains of Bolivia are being saved through the use of these techniques. 16 min.; UMCCom. For Sr. High & up.

### *Community With Children And The Poor (VT2758)*

Children sing in the background to clips of children in the United States and around the world. American children tell what poverty does to them. Adults share what it means to work with the children. Garlinda Burton, editor of "Interpreter Magazine," hosts the short program that includes the song "Prayer of the Children." 8 min. For adults.

### *A Generation of Hope (VT2615)*

This documentary is the inspiring story of how Zimbabwe's children fight to keep their families together, and struggle to make a future for themselves. It invites viewers to listen to the children who have been orphaned by the AIDS pandemic. Learn what their struggles have been and why they continue to hope. Look at the statistics and methods of response currently being utilized. And then identify ways in which you can be a part of the solution and a reason for hope. 11 min. GBGM. Discussion guide is printed on back of the video cover. For adults.

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