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Global Youth Ministry

It's more common in youth ministry than we want to admit—burnout and failure. Exhaustion, frustration, disappointment, and conflict bring many youth workers to a point where they either choose a new church, a new career, or someone makes that choice for them. After thirty years of youth ministry experience, Len Kageler wants to help youth workers avoid the pitfalls that are common to their calling, and give them the tools to not only survive, but also to thrive in youth ministry. Along with his own wisdom, Len offers insights gained from his 2006 survey of more than 300 burned out or fired youth workers who come from a variety of ministry contexts and denominations. If you're new to youth ministry, or you've been at it for a while and feel like you may be on the verge of burnout, *The Youth Ministry Survival Guide* will help you:

- deal with conflict and compromise
- determine the causes of burnout (and how to avoid them!)
- discover how your personality, and the personality of those you work with, affects the dynamics of your ministry experience
- develop the best plan for working with senior pastors, church leadership, parents, and students, so you can...
- do youth ministry in your 40s, 50s, 60s, and beyond!

Don't let burnout force you out! Inside this book you'll find steps you can take to help build fences against failure, and you'll learn what it takes to survive and thrive in youth ministry.

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Composing Lives in Transition

Youth ministry veteran and bestselling author, Duffy Robbins, offers an updated and revised edition of his book about the important, behind-the-scenes mechanics of youth ministry. The tasks of budgeting, decision-making, time management, team ministry, staff relationships, conflict resolution, working with parents, and a range of other issues, are the things that keep a ministry together and functioning well. Nobody gets into youth ministry because they want to think about these things; but a lot of people get out of youth ministry because they didn't think about them. All youth workers—whether paid or volunteer, full-time or part-time—will find *Youth Ministry Nuts and Bolts* to be a thoughtful, fun, practical guide to youth ministry administration.

The Crisis in the Churches

Sustainable Youth Ministry

This book examines the approach to civic education in six societies located on the Pacific Rim: Australia, Japan, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Thailand, and the US. In these scrupulously designed studies, the contributors investigate the recent re-

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emergence of civic education in this region. Developments such as globalization, nationalism, and sovereignty have profound effects on how schools make "good citizens." These essays reveal how definitions of citizenship are contested and revised under such influences, and interrogate differences in civic education from nation to nation. As societies attempt to strike a balance between obedience and critical thinking, schools become the primary site of these transformations. Analyzing both educational policy and its implementation, these contributors offer a groundbreaking, comparative study that grounds civic education historically and politically.

Liberia National Curriculum

Drawing on the wisdom of insightful leaders around the country, Josh McDowell's Youth Ministry Handbook equips youth workers to help kids connect with God--and with their parents, their peers, and a world in need of Christ. Featuring articles from Dawson McAllister, Barry St. Clair, Jim Burns, Tony Campolo, Al Menconi, John Maxwell, George Barna, and others, this is an invaluable leadership resource with practical, useful ideas for today's youth workers.

Godly Pieces

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School Life

Many people run scared from the middle school youth room. But (thankfully!) there are people out there who are actually drawn to those young teens. Although often times they're not equipped to deal with the unique challenges that middle school ministry presents, or they're just not sure what to do when a room full of young teens (who are "part child, but not quite adult") are running around the youth room. Finally, there's a comprehensive guide to middle school ministry, from two veterans of this uncharted territory. Mark Oestreicher and Scott Rubin help youth workers understand the importance of middle school ministry, the development process for young teens and their implications for ministry, and how to best minister to these sometimes misunderstood students. They share their experiences (as middle school pastors and parents of middle schoolers), giving youth workers the encouragement, hope, and training they need to succeed in middle school ministry.

The High School Quarterly

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The communication of God's word via church setting, a seminar, Christian radio, a song, or a cordial conversation can--through the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ--invigorate an unbeliever; edify the body of believers; and more importantly, bring glory to God. The discussion of God's word exercised in practical short stories can have the same impact as they continue to be a fruitful and viable form of literary expression.

Everyday Object Lessons for Youth Groups

The Reality Check series makes just one assumption: that you're serious enough about your spiritual journey to investigate Christianity with an open mind. This isn't about joining anyone's religious club—it's about being real with yourself and with the others in your group. Since no one has all the answers, there's plenty of room for discussion. After all, if there is any truth to the Bible's stories about Jesus, then one thing he'd welcome are questions and opinions that come from honest, earnest hearts. What does it take to win at life? A good education? A lucrative career? A loving family? Jesus had a lot to say about winning—and losing—in life. He also had a way of connecting with his listeners through stories that cut straight to the heart of their personal lives and values. Winning at Life revisits six of those stories. Some will challenge you. Some will encourage you. All of them offer a clearer vision of what life is really about. Winning at Life includes these sessions: Rollover Investments Four Kinds of Dirt An Unexpected Homecoming Warning

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Signs Lamé Excuses Unlikely Hero For the Group Leader Reality Check is for spiritual seekers of every persuasion. Uncompromisingly Christian in its perspective, it steers wide of pat answers and aims at honesty. This innovative and thought-provoking series will challenge you and those in your group to connect heart to heart as together you explore the interface between Jesus, the Bible, and the realities of this world in which we live.

The Student Leadership Training Manual for Youth Workers

The older teens in your parish want a youth ministry program that exposes them to relevant, real-world topics in an active, engaging way. Horizons is an innovative, comprehensive approach to religious education. Its foundation is teacher-led, creative learning strategies that give students ample opportunities for discussion, reflection--and fun! Designed for grades 9-12, Horizons utilizes a module system so that you can combine courses and topics to meet the specific needs of your parish. Seven core courses set the stage for discussing central and foundational themes. Then choose from a wide selection of age-appropriate minicourses to round out your curriculum and craft summer courses, retreats, and youth-group activities. The Youth Ministry Strategies component features more than 65 creative youth activities to complement the Horizons curriculum. And on top of all that, Horizons includes outstanding training resources. You'll be able to create the most engaging and relevant youth ministry program for senior high that is available anywhere.

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Winning at Life

As profound, as relevant, as funny as you are . . . teenagers still listen to each other more than to an adult youth worker. You may grimace, but you can't deny it--students talking to each other usually means more to them than adults talking to them. The Student Leadership Training Manual helps you equip your senior highers for leading their peers and taking charge of as much of the ministry as they want or are able--helping and evangelizing their peers . . . organizing ministry teams . . . planning and executing their own youth ministry programming. Here are 31 training sessions for discipling student leaders in a small-group setting--sessions that start in the Bible and reach deep into teenagers' experience . . . ready for you to implement a clear and effective program that trains your students for higher levels of leadership, regardless of where they are now. Plus 24 pages just for you, a veritable primer on how to cultivate student leadership: The role of adults Authority vs. responsibility Setting student leaders up for success Teaching students not just the whats, but the whys and hows Helping them discover their spiritual giftedness Perfect for youth workers, CE directors, associate pastors, and small-group leaders--anyone who works with a youth group's core kids.

The Youth Minister's Survival Guide

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Go ahead. Leave your loneliness behind. We all want to matter to someone, but the risks of relationship can seem far too great. It's easier to just keep our distance. We fear embarrassment, misunderstandings, and even rejection, so we silently endure our loneliness. We work on trying to be nice—rather than being real—hoping that others will like us. Or we might simply give in to the path of least resistance—the life of hurry, impatience, and fatigue—which feels familiar and safe. We pay a terrible price to avoid authentic relationships. It's time to stop denying your deepest longing—the desire to be known and loved. The Naked Soul shows you how to know and accept others, and how to be known and accepted by others. You can exchange the familiar but deadly territory of loneliness for the exhilaration of giving and receiving love. You don't have to hide any longer. Break free from loneliness, be the person God created you to be, and start living a life that matters.

B.R.M. (Bathroom Reading Material) for Youth Workers

Here's a youth ministry resource that offers everything you need to make your program a success. And by "success" we mean that it offers youth a four-year experience of growing in Christ. The author is an experienced youth minister who calls his approach an "Initiation Model of Senior High Youth Ministry," because it parallels the RCIA process in significant and life-changing ways. It invites parish youth into full participation in a parish life that centers on the Eucharist.

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Staffing Your Children's Ministry

Kurt Johnston, junior high ministry pastor at Saddleback Church, helps to show that middle school ministry—one of the most overlooked, misunderstood, and important ministries—can be made simple. This is a biblical, practical, and culturally relevant approach from a guy who's been making a difference in the lives of junior highers for more than 20 years.

Middle School Ministry

Richard Dunn shows how to mentor today's teens by setting the pace—physically, intellectually, emotionally, socially and spiritually—with sensitivity to the unique issues of adolescent development.

Becoming a Contagious Christian

Shaping the Spiritual Life of Students

Jeremy Halstead graduated from college with a degree in Specialized Ministries and an emphasis in Youth Ministry. Shortly after entering full-time ministry, he realized

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that even though he had earned a degree, he was truly ill-equipped for the ministry that he was now serving in. Jeremy surmised that he could not be the only youth leader who felt this way, so nineteen years later he wrote this book based upon his ideas, experiences, stories, victories, and failures. The title of the book may sound a bit strange, but everyone uses the bathroom, and most people read while doing so--why not read about what you love and are involved in: youth ministry. This book was written to be a tool for youth workers. You can read it from beginning to end, or just open it to any page, as there is no rhyme or reason to the order of the topics. As you read the pages be inspired to try something new, be educated with fresh information and ideas, and be equipped to implement what you have read immediately into your ministry.

The High School Curriculum Standard, Republic of China

Youth Ministry Ideabook

What is youth ministry actually for? And does it have a future? Andrew Root, a leading scholar in youth ministry and practical theology, went on a one-year journey to answer these questions. In this book, Root weaves together an innovative first-person fictional narrative to diagnose the challenges facing the

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church today and to offer a new vision for youth ministry in the 21st century. Informed by interviews that Root conducted with parents, this book explores how parents' perspectives of what constitutes a good life are affecting youth ministry. In today's culture, youth ministry can't compete with sports, test prep, and the myriad other activities in which young people participate. Through a unique parable-style story, Root offers a new way to think about the purpose of youth ministry: not happiness, but joy. Joy is a sense of experiencing the good. For youth ministry to be about joy, it must move beyond the youth group model and rework the assumptions of how identity and happiness are imagined by parents in American society.

Civic Education in the Asia-Pacific Region

Youth Ministry Nuts and Bolts, Revised and Updated

One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. Psalm 145:4 Most churches and faith communities segment their ministries by age and generation. The kids go to children's church, the teens go to youth group. Worship services are geared toward different generational preferences, and small groups gather people at the same life stage, whether singles, young marrieds,

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parents or empty nesters. In some congregations, people may never interact with those of other ages. But it was not always so. Throughout biblical tradition and the majority of history, communities of faith included people of all ages together in corporate worship, education and ministry. The church was not just multigenerational; it was intergenerational, with the whole church together as one family and people of all ages learning from one another in common life. In this comprehensive text, Holly Allen and Christine Ross offer a complete framework for intentional intergenerational Christian formation. They provide the theoretical foundations for intergenerationality, showing how learning and spiritual formation are better accomplished through intergenerational contexts. It is not just elders teaching youth; learning also takes place when adults discover fresh insights from children. Then the authors give concrete guidance for intergenerational praxis on how worship, learning, community and service can all be achieved intergenerationally. Case studies of intergenerational congregations provide models for how a culture of intergenerationality can be created in local churches. This volume serves as an essential guide for all preparing for and involved in congregational ministry and formation. Discover the riches of intergenerational ministry, and let all generations commend the works of God to one another.

The Revised National Curriculum for Senior High Schools

The world's most passionate, effective evangelists are right in your youth ministry!

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No one can top your students in effectively introducing their friends and family to Christ. And now is the time to help them learn how. Becoming a Contagious Christian Youth Edition ZondervanGroupware is designed with both you and your students in mind. Included is everything you'll need to help students discover and develop their unique evangelism styles. Based on the proven Becoming a Contagious Christian ZondervanGroupware developed at Willow Creek Community Church, Becoming a Contagious Christian Youth Edition includes an Evangelistic Styles Assessment; activities for individuals, partners, and small groups; and video dramas that model and bring to life the evangelistic skills students can use every day—with powerful results. Revised and expanded by one of America's foremost youth ministers and teachers, Bo Boshers, this exciting, highly interactive approach addresses the specific needs and challenges of students--in language they can relate to. Students will learn how to: * be intentional in developing relationships * transition an ordinary conversation to a spiritual conversation * tell in plain language their personal story of meeting Christ * share the gospel message using two illustrations * answer ten common objections to Christianity * pray with a friend to receive Christ This course is flexible so you can teach it in several different formats: eight 60-minute sessions, four 3-hour sessions, or one- to three-day retreats. Content, leader's notes, and media and activity instructions are clearly laid out and easy to follow. You'll also find: 'Heart Check'--a brief devotional at the beginning of each session written specifically for you, the leader 'Get Connected'--notes to help you get inside the hearts and minds of students 'Going

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Deeper'--optional activities you can use to give students a more in-depth understanding of the material Drawing on the expertise of some of today's foremost leaders in evangelism and student ministry, this powerful program will equip you to train your students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence they'll need to become truly contagious in reaching their friends for Christ. Becoming a Contagious Christian Youth Edition Zondervan Groupware kit includes: One 60-minute segmented video Student's Guide Leader's Guide PowerPoint Presentation on CD-ROM All but PowerPoint

Youth Minister

Bestselling Christian educator Ginny Holderness refocuses the attention on leadership in the youth ministry to young people themselves. Holderness and coauthor Robert Hay expand on her original team approach to include young people in the leadership team. Successfully implemented in many church programs already, this expanded approach to team-building ensures that young people take ownership of their youth ministries.

Growing a Jr. High Ministry

Cover subtitle: Your instant reference guide for youth ministry facts, resources, and

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research.

Secondary Education, Republic of China

The Youth Ministry Survival Guide

Composing Lives in Transition: A Narrative Inquiry into the Experiences of Early School Leavers is structured around ten narrative accounts, each one offering glimpses into the lives of early school leavers from different backgrounds. Framed by the puzzling question of why someone would want to leave school early, the authors worked alongside youths from culturally and socially diverse backgrounds in order to understand their experiences and motivations in more depth. In doing so, however, the research team learnt that the stories are also as much about how early school leaving shaped their lives after they left education. By looking across the accounts provided in the book, paying particular attention to place, temporality and personal and social dimensions, the authors were able to identify resonant threads that enabled them to reframe a narrative reconceptualization of the phenomenon of early school leaving.

The Youth Ministry Resource Book

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It's a refrain heard all too often by youth ministers. Why is it so hard to survive in youth ministry? Len Kageler, a 22-year survivor himself, set out to find the answer. He looked into the case studies of nearly 200 fired youth workers, asking tough questions. The answers he got back form the backbone for this practical, refreshingly honest survival guide. Kageler takes on the real-life issues that they don't teach you in youth ministry class, like: -What to ask about a new position -How to work positively with your pastor -How to deal with discouragement -How to know when it's time to leave -How to work with problem kids -How to relate to parents -How to handle conflict -What to do when the ax falls -How to face the big temptations: Money and Sex Plus, Kageler provides dozens of practical tips to help you get off to the right start in youth ministry, including a six-year curriculum plan and a performance evaluation form to keep you ministry on track. The Youth Minister's Survival Guide will help you not only survive, but also prosper in youth ministry -perhaps even as a career.

Senior High Ministry that Works!

The Naked Soul

Ideal for those just beginning their ministry and for ministry veterans to affirm their

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call to service. Each 48-page booklet offers practical advice, questions for reflection, personal testimonies, simple prayers for either group or individual use, and spiritual enrichment in a format that is clear and easy to use.

The End of Youth Ministry? (Theology for the Life of the World)

You're looking for a youth pastor. Again. What goes wrong? Why do youth ministries crumble? And what is the cost to students, parents, volunteers and church staff? Is a sustainable youth ministry possible, even after a youth pastor leaves? Youth ministry expert Mark DeVries knows the answer is yes, because he helps build sustainable youth ministries through his coaching service called Youth Ministry Architects. So take heart; No matter what state the youth ministry at your church is in-in need of a leader and volunteers, full of battles and stress, large or small in number-it can be built to survive and to last for the long haul. Based on his own experience and on his many conversations and interviews with churches in crisis, DeVries pinpoints problems that cause division and burnout and dispels strongly held myths. He then provides the practical tools and structures pastors and church leaders need to lay a strong foundation for your ministry so that it isn't built on a person or the latest, greatest student ministry trend. His accessible guidance helps senior pastors and search committees create a realistic job description for a youth pastor provides tips for making wise hiring decisions equips youth pastors to build a strong volunteer team offers creative solutions to help

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youth pastors set and keep boundaries gives a road map for navigating church politics and more Building a sustainable youth ministry is not easy, and it's not quick. But with commitment to the process, hard work and DeVries's guidance, you can put together a healthy youth ministry-one that fits your church and lasts for the long haul. Youth ministry can last. Here's how.

Junior High Ministry

A FIELD GUIDE TO THE WILD LIFE OF YOUTH MINISTRY Youth Ministry. It's quite an idea so much bigger than two words. One part odyssey, one part call, one part mission, and one part quest, youth ministry calls us into places of breathless exhilaration, stunning beauty, genuine peril, and unknown discovery. This is not terrain for the faint of heart. But it is a landscape of grace and wonder. This Way to Youth Ministry is the most complete academic text for those who might be called to such a journey. Thirty-year youth ministry veteran Duffy Robbins explores the theology, theory, and practice of youth ministry and helps you discover how to: Identify your calling to ministry Cultivate the traits and training that make a good youth pastor Set boundaries and maintain priorities Understand the spiritual, emotional, mental, and physical development on adolescents Navigate youth culture and postmodernism Understand youth ministry in relation to the rest of the Church Develop a team of volunteers who will walk the journey with you Develop and apply a personalized ministry philosophy With just the right mix of theory and

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application, this extensive academic text shows you both the big picture and the close-up details of making ministry work. Whether your journey is just beginning or well under way, *This Way to Youth Ministry* is the book that will help with everything that lies ahead.

Intergenerational Christian Formation

As the world's youth population continues to grow and interact globally, youth ministry is developing in equal fashion. Local fellowship and growth is mingled with international blogging, texting, and electronic socializing. Global youth ministry presents enormous opportunities, but it also requires careful leadership education and preparation. Seeking to write a definitive yet succinct textbook on the challenges and requirements of international ministry, authors Terry Linhart and Dave Livermore invited twenty-three prominent youth ministry leaders from around the world to contribute chapters. The overarching purpose was to focus on essential topics, and to inform readers on the various theological, theoretical, sociocultural, and historical issues that shape international youth ministry. *Global Youth Ministry* uses diverse voices from mainline, evangelical, and Catholic ministries to bridge international and denominational divisions and ensure there's no agenda from a particular theological or political niche. The result is a useful and versatile text that both challenges and educates ministry students with a heart for missions and a spiritual empathy for youth around the world.

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This Way to Youth Ministry

At a time when already overworked clergy are being called upon by budget cutting politicians to do more for the poor, the sick, and the elderly, American churches are suffering persistent financial shortfalls. In fact, contrary to popular media images of millionaire televangelists, America's churches are cutting back programs and staff, clergy salaries are stagnating, and many parishes are having trouble raising enough money to keep the church lit and heated on Sunday. Why are America's churches in financial distress? Robert Wuthnow, a leading commentator on religious life in America, asserts that the steady drop in donations, volunteering, and personal involvement is a direct result of a spiritual crisis--a crisis caused in large part by the clergy's failure to address the vital relationships between faith and money, work, stewardship, giving, and economic justice. In *The Crisis in the Churches*, Wuthnow offers a searching study of this financial crisis and of the spiritual vacuum that has silently grown worse during the past decade. To do this, he lets the churches speak for themselves, quoting extensively from interviews with clergy and laity in sixty Protestant and Catholic congregations throughout the U.S., and drawing from the texts of over 200 sermons, from church financial records, and a national survey. What emerges is that parishioners often feel the church does not care about what they do from Monday to Friday, offers no guidance in their most pressing day to day concerns, yet always seems to be asking for more money. Clergy, for their part, say they hesitate to talk about

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finances because they know "the money question" makes people uncomfortable. But failure to raise the subject often makes it necessary to cut the very programs and services that middle class parishioners desire and would support. Wuthnow argues that in order to survive, churches must find ways to minister to the economic concerns of their own middle class parishioners. Indeed, of every \$1,000 received by churches, \$900 comes from people who work in middle class occupations. Clearly, anything that motivates middle class members to become more involved will strengthen a church's financial well being and capacity to serve its people. Although the situation is critical, Wuthnow finds much cause for hope. He points to ideas and programs that some churches have enacted to challenge their members to think differently about work and money and giving. Parishioners sometimes respond positively when clergy speak boldly and concretely about matters of faith and finance, and some churches have formed small groups whose members meet regularly to discuss issues of spirituality, work, personal finances, and stewardship. A serious and sympathetic examination of the crisis behind the stained glass, this thought-provoking volume will be highly valuable both practically and as moral support to clergy, parishioners, and anyone else concerned about restoring vitality and significance to American churches.

Junior High Ministry

Written by Vernie Schorr and revised by Wes Haystead, this practical book for

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children's ministry leaders tells you how to accomplish your staffing goals without losing your focus on children. Topics include o The value of children o Programming to meet needs o Recruiting workers o Training volunteers before assigning a task o Providing in-service training o Evaluating, encouraging, and supporting your volunteer staff This updated version includes critical issues that children's ministry leaders must not ignore: screening volunteers, preventing child abuse and maintaining a secure environment for the children. Includes Reproducible Teacher training Sessions

A Youth Worker's Field Guide to Parents

You've probably studied teenagers' needs, their culture, and even their ever-changing lingo in preparation to be the most dynamic youth worker your church has ever seen. But when was the last time you studied their parents? What are their fears? What motivates their decisions? And why do some of them seem so hard to please? Plenty has been written in recent years about the importance of engaging parents in youth ministry. But maybe the real challenge is to reconcile that idea with one of the most common youth ministry variables: the parents. A Youth Worker's Field Guide to Parents is for youth workers who struggle to communicate with and relate to the moms and dads of the teenagers they want to reach the most. Whether you're a veteran youth worker or just starting out, or a church leader who wants to embrace parents more effectively, this book provides

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tips for peacemaking, insights for better

The Church

You may not like it that students forgot your talk on temptation, but remembered your mouse-trap object lesson but the fact remains that nothing brings a lesson to life more vividly and concretely--or wakes up a drowsy Sunday school class faster--than a good object lesson. In *Everyday Object Lessons for Youth Groups* the authors (who are youth workers and teachers of youth workers) pool their most effective 45 object lessons into a collection that's perfect for both junior and senior high youth groups. Here are no-prep and low-prep object lessons for devotionals, Sunday school lessons, talks at camps and retreats--even for sermons. Inside you'll find object lessons about-- Beauty (using a kiwi fruit) Regret (a mirror) Divine protection (sun block) Anger (Alka-Seltzer and 7-Up) The power of words (Popsicle sticks) Priorities (manure) Confession (hydrogen peroxide) Temptation (a mousetrap) The person of Jesus (keys) Conformity (Play-Doh) Endurance (bricks) --and 34 more quirky and attention-getting object lessons. Use them to open your lessons . . . to dramatize your talks . . . to close your Bible studies with a demonstration. However you use them, you have Bible references and provocative discussion-starting questions with each object lesson to help you take it in any direction you want. And with both a topical and a scriptural index, you can find the perfect object lesson fast.

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Middle School Ministry Made Simple

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