

Scripture Resources

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There are plenty of basic materials available to help you do this. A word of caution on all this. There are a lot of scripture study materials that aren't Catholic, and while they are very helpful in many respects, they can also be very problematic when they take an approach that contradicts our faith. Having said that, there are more and more good, solid Catholic scripture study programs available.

Renewed Life online media store is a great resource with discounted prices. Check out their scripture study section at www.renewed-life.com/shop/index.cfm and then click on the scripture study link in the left sidebar.

Another good resource for scripture study in The Word Among Us publishing group. If you go to their website at <http://bookstore.wau.org> you can click on the link on the left sidebar marked Bible Study Resources.

Another resource worth looking at is the publication God's Word Today. They can be accessed at www.godswordtoday.com

Finally, for those of you who have been in the renewal for many years, you may remember the books written by Msgr. David Rosage. Many of them were scripture-based prayer and reflection guides. They can also be easily adapted for use in a prayer meeting scripture study. Unfortunately they are almost all out of print, but if you can get hold of one, it could be helpful to you.

Other Useful Resources:

There is a lot of information resources available to us if we know where to look. Our WOCCR website: www.archdpdx.org/ccr. It has static pages on Charismatic Spirituality, Living Authentic Faith, Charismatic Growth, the Popes and the Renewal, and Vision and Mission. It has regularly updated pages such as the Liaison's Column, a listing of Charismatic Prayer Groups, Charismatic Events, and Charismatic Links.

If your prayer group, or a prayer group you know of, is not listed on the site, or if you don't receive the bimonthly newsletter either by email or regular mail, please contact us and let us know.

The WOCCR team is also a resource that can assist you in planning Life in the Spirit Seminars or other events. They are putting together a resource package filled with *The New Life in the Spirit Seminar* book, the daily prayer book that goes with it as well as several tri-folds about the Charismatic Renewal. If you wish to get more of them, the ordering info is in the booklets. There is also a small list of Music ministers, if you know of others, please e-mail the WOCCR Service Team. They can also help you if you need presenters. If you let them know about any Life in the Spirit Seminars you are planning, they will be happy to add them to the events list on the website.

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