

Leadership Training Curriculum
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1) Goal

- a) This is designed to be a training program for individuals preparing for leadership positions in a church.**
- i) This training is intended to cover a 3-year period and the work is on the honor system.
 - (1) But any person can cover this at a quicker pace, if desired.

2) Curriculum List

- a) Resource #1 – Audio – Listen to Chuck Smith “Through the Bible” teachings.**
- i) **Pastor Chuck Smith taught through the Bible roughly 9 times in his pastoral career.**
 - (1) We want you to go through the 2000 series.
 - (a) The series can be found here: <https://calvarychapel.com/posts/c2000/>
 - (i) You are to go through these 323 teachings during this training.
 - (2) For each teaching, it is recommended you type up the 4 or 5 main points made by Pastor Chuck with specific verse references for your own edification.
- b) Resource #2 – Book – Calvary Chapel Distinctives by Chuck Smith.**
- i) This is for you benefit to see why/how Calvary Chapels are generally structured and run.
- c) Resource #3 – Book – The Five Points of Calvinism by George Bryson.**
- i) This is provided in “pdf” form to you.
 - ii) Listen to Pastor Jeff teaching, “What is Calvinism” 12/1/2019 under “Topical & Other Teachings”.
- d) Resource #4 – Book – Scrolls & Stones by Charlie Campbell.**
- i) We need to know the Bible is believable.
- e) Resource #5 – Book – One Minute Answers to Skeptics by Charlie Campbell.**
- i) We need to understand basic answers (apologia) for the major objections to the word and God.
- f) Resource #6 – Book – Lectures in Systematic Theology by Henry Thiessen.**
- i) We need a thorough overview & approach to what the Bible teaches on major subjects & about God.
 - (1) Please get a copy of the original 1949 or 1977 edition, not the revised 1979 edition.
- g) Resource #7 – Book – Preaching & Preachers by D. Martin Lloyd-Jones.**
- i) We need to think about how we preach and teach the word of God and why.
- h) Resource #8 – Book – Comforting the Bereaved by Warren & David Wiersbe.**
- i) We need to know how to minister to people who are hurting and how to handle memorial services.
- i) Resource #9 – Book – Basic Bible Interpretation by Roy B. Zuck.**
- i) The basics of hermeneutics, meaning how to interpret the Bible.
- j) Resource #10 – Workbook Assignments – Inductive Bible Study**
- i) Living by the Book by Howard Hendricks.
 - ii) Living by the Book Workbook by Howard Hendricks.
 - (1) You are to get these books and:
 - (a) #1 – Read them.
 - (b) #2 – Complete the workbook to be turned in for review.
- k) NOTE: For resources #2 through #9, we recommend you type up a brief book reports (if it helps you remember the material better):**
- i) The book reports are recommended to be short and typed out as follows for each chapter:
 - (1) #1 – The main point or 2 made in the chapter?
 - (2) #2 – The 3 or so things you learned the most in the chapter?
 - (3) #3 – What will you do/change as a result of that chapter?

3) Additional recommended Curriculum

- a) Extra resource #1 – If God, Why Evil? by Norman Geisler.**

Pastoral & Leadership Training Curriculum Calendar

Year	Mo.	Chuck Msgs	Book	Book Chapters	Workbook	Workbook Chapters
2025	Jan	1-9	Calvary Chapel Distinctives	1-4	--	--
2025	Feb	10-18	Calvary Chapel Distinctives	5-8	--	--
2025	Mar	19-27	Calvary Chapel Distinctives	9-12	--	--
2025	Apr	28-36	The Five Points of Calvinism	Whole Book	--	--
2025	May	37-45	Scrolls & Stones	Whole Book	--	--
2025	Jun	46-54	One Minute Answers to Skeptics	Whole Book	--	--
2025	Jul	55-63	Lectures in Systematic Theology	1-6	--	--
2025	Aug	64-72	Lectures in Systematic Theology	7-12	--	--
2025	Sep	73-81	Lectures in Systematic Theology	13-18	--	--
2025	Oct	82-90	Lectures in Systematic Theology	19-24	--	--
2025	Nov	91-99	Lectures in Systematic Theology	25-30	--	--
2025	Dec	100-108	Lectures in Systematic Theology	31-36	--	--
2026	Jan	109-117	Lectures in Systematic Theology	37-42	--	--
2026	Feb	118-126	Lectures in Systematic Theology	43-47	--	--
2026	Mar	127-135	Preaching & Preachers	1-5	--	--
2026	Apr	136-144	Preaching & Preachers	6-11	--	--
2026	May	145-153	Preaching & Preachers	12-16	--	--
2026	Jun	154-162	Comforting the Bereaved	1-8	--	--
2026	Jul	163-171	Comforting the Bereaved	9-16	--	--
2026	Aug	172-180	Comforting the Bereaved	17-23	--	--
2026	Sep	181-189	Basic Bible Interpretation	1-3	--	--
2026	Oct	190-198	Basic Bible Interpretation	4-6	--	--
2026	Nov	199-207	Basic Bible Interpretation	7-9	--	--
2026	Dec	208-216	Basic Bible Interpretation	10-12	--	--
2027	Jan	217-225	Living by the Book	Preface & 1-3	Living by the Book Workbook	1-6
2027	Feb	226-234	Living by the Book	4-6	Living by the Book Workbook	7-14
2027	Mar	235-243	Living by the Book	7-10	Living by the Book Workbook	15-22
2027	Apr	244-252	Living by the Book	11-15	Living by the Book Workbook	21-30
2027	May	253-261	Living by the Book	16-20	Living by the Book Workbook	31-38
2027	Jun	262-270	Living by the Book	21-25	Living by the Book Workbook	39-45
2027	Jul	271-279	Living by the Book	26-29	Living by the Book Workbook	46-51
2027	Aug	280-288	Living by the Book	30-35	Living by the Book Workbook	52-59
2027	Sep	289-297	Living by the Book	36-38	Living by the Book Workbook	60-66
2027	Oct	298-306	Living by the Book	39-41	Living by the Book Workbook	67-73
2027	Nov	307-315	Living by the Book	42-45	Living by the Book Workbook	74
2027	Nov	316-323	Living by the Book	46-48	Living by the Book Workbook	75