



Global Discipleship Resources Expanded with Basic Bible Studies

SDMI engages children, youth, and adults in our Church of the Nazarene mission “to make Christlike disciples in the nations.” Dr. Chic Shaver wrote in [Conserve the Converts](#): “The real test of our evangelistic effectiveness must ever be not how many are born, but how many are still living. Warm hearts and careful follow-up can narrow those back-door losses.” New Christians need our help in establishing them in God’s saving grace. While it is always important to share the Good News about Jesus until people repent, new Christians must mature in their walk with Jesus.

New Christians learn that they belong to God, and they learn how to walk with God. They also discover ways to learn from God and to talk with God. New Christians find ways to share with God and to speak for God. They also realize their need to be filled with the Holy Spirit and to join the family of God. To help us establish new Christians, Dr. Shaver wrote several basic Bible studies. Among our global discipleship resourcing priorities in 2021 are Dr. Chic Shaver’s basic Bible studies. The Foundry Publishing makes these English resources available in [printed](#) and [digital](#) formats. The digital format works as an app on smart phones.

Did you know that Dr. Shaver’s Basic Bible Studies for New and Growing Christians are making a global impact? They are available in 16 languages on the Wesleyan-Holiness Digital Library (WHDL): Afrikaans, Arabic, Bahasa, Bemba, Burmese, Cambodian, Cebuano, Chinese, Danish, French, German, Herero, Ilocano, Malagasy, Russian, and Spanish. You can check it out by going to [SDMI's collections](#) and then choosing “Basic Bible Studies for New and Growing Christians” in the “JESUS is the TRUTH” list of resources.

Your SDMI team is currently working with Global Nazarene Publications (GNP) and the Foundry Publishing to make these important discipleship resources available in more of our global Nazarene ministry languages. We have already reviewed translations in Korean, Marathi, Portuguese, Samoan, Siswati, Swahili, Tagalog, Thai, Tsonga/Shangaan, Vietnamese, and Zulu. We plan to make these available on WHDL soon.

To further help us establish Christians in God's grace, Dr. Shaver wrote Basic Bible Studies for the Spirit-filled and Sanctified Life. They guide Christians in God's sanctifying grace. These English [resources](#) are available through The Foundry Publishing. They are also available in four [more languages](#) on the Wesleyan-Holiness Digital Library: Kinyarwanda, Spanish, Thai, and Vietnamese. We are currently working with GNP and Foundry Publishing to make these important discipleship resources available in additional Nazarene ministry languages, including Bengali, Chichewa, French, Haitian, Hindi, Portuguese, Tok Pisin, Tsonga, Siswati, and Swahili.

Thank you for your support of the World Evangelism Fund, which enables us to make these important discipleship resources available to our six global regions.

I am interested in hearing some of your stories about how God is involving you in reaching others with His saving grace. You can send them to Daryll Stanton at dstanton@nazarene.org