

Basic Types Of Pastoral Care And Counseling Resources For The Ministry Of Healing And Growth Third Edition

Transforming Service is a seminal book developed by student services professionals in theological education. This edited volume is new and innovative in that it puts the student services professional and their work with divinity students center-stage. Amid the various and serious changes afoot within the church and academy, there is a need for astute and perceptive expertise to assist professionals and institutions in transforming how to reach, serve, and sustain graduate students in theological education. This book is an offering designed to establish and sustain conversations among student services professionals in theological schools about the nature of the profession and to share wisdom within a rich community of practice that is essential to the success of theological schools. With its rich combination of useful information, reflective instruction on a host of professional leadership issues, and animated narratives on the ways different colleagues address common practices and challenges in their context, Transforming Service is a needed resource to all who engage in theological education.

Modern life has led to an increase in traumatic deaths, such as accidents, murders, suicide, and other types of unanticipated, violent death. Family members and friends grieving a traumatic death face enormous shock, numbness, and despair, as well as the need to find hope and God's mercy and grace in the midst of chaos, difficult questions, and confusion. The Christian church and faith community often do not provide appropriate pastoral care to help the bereaved overcome their despair. Jeonghyun Park explores the unique characteristics and dynamics of traumatic grief, or grief in response to traumatic death, and present several approaches to pastoral care. The survivors of a traumatic death are likely to ask pastors spiritually despairing and tough questions, such as, Where is God in this tragic death? If we have to accept this new reality, where can we find God's grace and mercy, power, and justice? Pastors and other spiritual leaders can provide comfort to the loved ones of victims of traumatic death by assisting them with their questions concerning a "helpless God" and a "cruel God." This book offers new insights through specific pastoral care models and guidance for families needing healing, recovery, and meaningful rituals.

Rassieur presents a detailed outline for short-term counseling that focuses on the issues that are at the core of most troubled marriages, so that within just a few sessions the pastor will be ready to recommend the next steps.

Ethics and Spiritual Care responds to three phenomena of increasing importance: • Although spiritual care is at the heart of ordained ministry, there is no text in professional ethics for clergy that focuses specifically on spiritual care. What ethical guidelines are needed to ensure that spiritual care in ministry is appropriate? • Many people in our world do not consider themselves "religious," but use the term "spiritual." The burgeoning interest in "spirituality" is an invitation to people with little training to set themselves up as "spiritual directors." Guidelines are needed not simply for the ethical practice of parish ministry, but for specific practices of spiritual direction. • Allegations of "spiritual abuse" have been made both in practice and in the literature; the term is being used with some frequency. The development of this term and its implications requires some scrutiny and response, as sexual abuse is not a good model for understanding spiritual abuse. When the organization and structure of the church in America was altered in the early 1900s to meet modern demands, the role of the pastorate became more specialized to adapt to the burdens of the new, "efficient" structure. In 1920, Gaines Dobbins utilized the business efficiency model at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary to formulate a distinct ecclesiology. Discontent with traditional methods of

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instruction in theological education, Dobbins sought to implement theories and methodologies from modern educationalists. He adopted a psychologized educational methodology and utilized the psychology of religion as an empirical measure of the soul, human nature, and human behavior. Use of the social sciences seemed to grant Dobbins, as a practitioner, academic respectability within the realm of theological education. Both the professionalization that resulted from Dobbins's efficiency standards, and a working theory of human nature derived from psychological models, were synthesized into a specialized system of pastoral care. Dobbins followed the new shape of pastoral theology in America, adopting Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) as the model for pastoral training. As a result, CPE became an integral part of the curriculum at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for over sixty years, and spread to influence many other SBC entities.

"I have read Professor Capp's Reframing with great interest. Since my colleagues and I have long thought of our concepts and practices as broad and general?as potentially applicable beyond our clinical sphere of psychotherapy?it is very satisfying to see this solid and skillful extension of our work into the very wide and important field of pastoral care."? John H. Weakland, Brief Therapy Center Mental Research Institute, Palo Alto, California

This well-rounded survey of the entire field of pastoral counseling is directed to the needs and capabilities of the average parish minister. Dr. Clinebell incorporates new thrusts and techniques of psychotherapy and counseling, including supportive and directive counseling. He relates these newer ideas to the traditional role of the minister in healing, sustaining, guiding, and reconciling.

Walking On Holy Ground With Persons Suffering From The Alzheimer's Disease explores the sacredness of the Alzheimer's patients as well as draws the attention of clergy and laymen alike to acknowledge the sanctity of ministering to those suffering with the Alzheimer's disease. It is important to recognize the sacredness of 'man' and as such to value his human dignity. We must respect and revere everyone we encounter daily, irrespective of health conditions and their caste, color or creed. This maxim of reverencing the sacredness in all persons is the crux of this book. This book will help you to minister fruitfully to the Alzheimer's patients and to address their yearning for God and simultaneously provide them with spiritual sustenance. This book will undergird the prevalent traditional cognitive pastoral care ministry and help to appropriately meet the spiritual need of these non-cognitive patients.

Basic Types of Pastoral Care and Counseling remains the standard in pastoral care and counseling. This third edition is enlarged and revised with updated resources, methods, exercises, and illustrations from actual counseling sessions. This book will help readers be sensitive to cultural diversity, ethical issues, and power dynamics as they practice holistic, growth-oriented pastoral care and counseling in the parish.

Dr. Philip SA Cummins and Bruce HodgesThe authors present a fresh, informative and thought provoking introduction to current thinking and offer a clear methodology for implementing a successful pastoral care strategy.Drawing on the best of current research and using real-life examples, the authors show how strategic thinking and planning can raise awareness, provide proactive solutions and enhance the school environment for student, teacher and parent alike, as well as offering thoughts on integrating the school into the wider community through intergenerational initiatives.

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Classifying pastoral care as an applied theology suggests that it stems from a separate and pure theology. In this new volume, R. John Elford contends that pastoral concerns and actions are not products of theology, but in fact are the catalysts that prompt and necessitate it. Elford offers a detailed critical analysis of the relationship between theology and pastoral care and compares how different faith traditions understand the pastoral. He traces how shifting historical circumstances and perceptions of pastoral need spurred changes in theological understanding, and he asserts the need for these traditions to be in conversation with modern culture. In closing, *The Pastoral Nature of Theology* considers the role of morality in pastoral care and how contemporary issues often bring about profound theological problems. A stimulating reflection for those of us who are aware of the unwithering need of organising and structuring again and again our creative doubts. It combines practical help and the development of theoretical concepts in an unusually convincing way.

Despite astute critiques and available resources for alternative modes of thinking and practicing, individualism continues to be a dominating and constraining ideology in the field of pastoral psychotherapy and counseling. Philip Rieff was one of the first to highlight the negative implications of individualism in psychotherapeutic theories and practices. As heirs and often enthusiasts of the Freudian tradition of which Rieff and others are critical, pastoral theologians have felt the sting of his charge, and yet the empirical research that McClure presents shows that pastoral-counseling practitioners resist change. Their attempts to overcome an individualistic perspective have been limited and ineffective because individualism is embedded in the field's dominant theological and theoretical resources, practices, and organizational arrangements. Only a radical reappraisal of these will make possible pastoral counseling practices in a post-individualistic mode. McClure proposes several critical transformations: broadening and deepening the operative theologies used to guide the healing practice, expanding the role of the pastoral counselor, reimagining the operative anthropology, reclaiming sin and judgment, nuancing the particular against the individual, rethinking the ideal outcome of the practices, and reimagining the organizational structures that support the practices. Only this level of revisioning will enable this ministry of the church to move beyond its individualistic limitations and offer healing in more complex, effective, and socially adequate ways.

Gain fresh perspectives on pastoral care and counseling from international experts! This informative book will show you how pastoral care and counseling are viewed and practiced in Africa, India, Korea, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Central America, South America, Germany, and the United Kingdom. You'll find new perspectives on theoretical and practical aspects of pastoral care and counseling as well as fascinating case studies and unique insights on how culture affects this type of ministry. In his Preface, Dr. Howard Clinebell, Professor Emeritus of Pastoral Psychology and Counseling at

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the Claremont School of Theology, explains the need for this book: "In the radically new world of the 21st century, pastoral counselors of all races and ethnic backgrounds will be challenged by a growing need to provide competent help to burdened individuals, couples, families, and communities of different cultural backgrounds and worldviews than their own." International Perspectives on Pastoral Counseling gives you an intimate view of: counseling models from the United States that are being adapted to the realities of urban Korean life pastoral care and counseling in African and multicultural contexts counseling issues arising from urban realities in Pretoria, South Africa the state of pastoral counseling and the impact of globalization and international markets on pastoral theology in Brazil care and counseling models from Holland and the United States that are being imported for use in Indonesia how the realities of life in Singapore relate to pastoral care and therapeutic conversations the needs of women and the historical development and meaning of pastoral care and counseling in the Philippines the meaning of forgiveness--from an intercultural perspective spiritual, philosophical, and other perspectives on Chinese cultures the pitfalls of individualistic models of pastoral care and counseling in poverty-stricken regions of Latin America the unique challenges of delivering care and counseling in Asian-Pacific cultures

Discusses the mission and foundations of pastoral counseling, gives advice on handling spiritual, ethical, marital, educative, and bereavement counseling, and looks at holistic and psychological approaches.

This comprehensive textbook on pastoral ministry for pastors, church leaders, and students articulates a biblical model for shepherding God's people. Written by a leading psychologist and seminary professor who has served as a pastor for more than two decades, the book covers twelve major areas of pastoral ministry, highlights the essential work of the Holy Spirit, and focuses on the personal and family life of the pastor. It includes cross-cultural perspectives of special interest in our diverse world and a foreword by John Ortberg.

Here, for the first time, the development of pastoral care as a discipline has been documented. Dr. Holifield details the shift in emphasis from saving souls to supporting individuals in self-realization, and in the process raises thought-provoking questions about the preoccupation with psychological methodology evident in modern society and clergy. Every pastor wittingly or unwittingly adopts some 'theory' of pastoral counseling, whether it be derived from the seventeenth century or from the twentieth, says Dr. Holifield. From colonial America's intellectual approach to today's therapeutic self culture, he explores those theories. Theological, social, economic, and psychological threads are interwoven with fascinating conversational examples to show how Protestantism helped to form--and was influenced by--changing social orders. Broad in scope, scholarly in detail, yet immensely readable, this is an important book for clinical pastoral educators, students, professionals--everyone interested in church and social history.

This book contains 31 stories or reflections centered on the theme of finding God in daily events and aims to help readers look and listen for God each day of their life. These stories can be used as meeting devotionals, or by pastors for sermon illustrations, and each opens with a Scripture and ends with a brief prayer. New Revised Standard Version, King James and Good News Bible translations are used.

Making the case for the relevance of pastoral care today, this book explores the role of pastoral care through the prism of music. Using

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musical analogies, the author provides a new way of understanding and practising pastoral care, grounded in practical theology. Challenging overemphasis on mission, he shows that pastoral care remains essential to the life of the church, especially when engaging with extreme situations such as dying, suffering or war, and considers the role of pastoral carers in the specific pastoral encounter and in the life of the church in general.

The coming of Colonization and Christianity to Africa and other indigenous cross-cultural contexts was a "mixed bag" of pros and cons. The impact of the advent of the two has had a lasting effect being felt even today. It created issues of bi-culturalism and bi-religiousness in personal and religious identities that counselors and the church need to address when working with people from these contexts. There is the existence of deep cultural trauma (including psychological and spiritual scars) needing healing for those living in most of these post-colonial contexts. The Western counseling approaches and Christian rituals need contextualization. A counselor or pastoral caregiver with an integrative consciousness is required to address the psychological and religious identity conflicts existing in African and other indigenous cross-cultural contexts.

This book explores the practice of counselling not only in the context of traditional ministries of pastoral care within the Christian Church but also in the context of other world religions and among counsellors with a concern for the spiritual dimension of life. A detailed account is given of the development of pastoral counselling in Britain; parallel movements in other major world religions are examined. An attempt is made to engage sympathetically with the theory and practice of a wide range of approaches to counselling in a context which embraces both the rapidly growing Christian counselling movement and more humanistic understandings of spirituality. The author draws out the implications of metaphors which have shaped our understanding of pastoral care and counselling, finding in a narrative understanding of religious faith and in the spiritual journey of Thomas Merton, a model which respects the contribution of the secular therapies and affirms the integrating potential of faith. This book will be of interest to clergy and lay people in churches and other faiths who seek an understanding of counselling in pastoral and spiritual contexts. It will also have more general appeal to practitioners who wish to explore the relationship of counselling in this context to forms of counselling elsewhere.

Clergy, students of pastoral care, and lay visitation volunteers will find Nancy Gorsuch an effective guide in developing an intentional, proactive program of pastoral visitation in the local church. To increase the pastoral visitor's positive experiences of effectiveness, the author presents basic "how to" information in a straightforward manner characterized by vivid illustrations and case studies. The book provides a theological basis for pastoral visitation and goes on to explore the types and purposes of visitation, preparation and resources, training and basic helping skills, assessment and follow-up, and methods of sustaining pastoral visitation as a means of building a caring community of faith.

This book is an edited volume of works that have predominated over the past several decades in contemporary pastoral theology. Through the writings of nineteen leading voices in the history of pastoral care, Dykstra shows how each contributor developed a metaphor for understanding pastoral care. Such metaphors include the solicitous shepherd, the wounded healer, the intimate stranger, the midwife, and other tangible images. Through these works, the reader gains a sense of the varied identities of pastoral care professionals, their struggles for recognition in this often controversial field,

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and insight into the history of the disciple. Includes readings by: Anton T. Boisen, Alastair V. Campbell, Donald Capps, James E. Dittes, Robert C. Dykstra, Heije Faber, Charles V. Gerkin, Brita L. Gill-Austern, Karen R. Hanson, Seward Hiltner, Margaret Zipse Kornfeld, Bonnie J. Miller-McLemore, Jeanne Stevenson Moessner, Henri J. M. Nouwen, Gaylord Noyce, Paul W. Pruyser, Edward P. Wimberly.

A standard text in the UK and USA for parish ministers who are not experts in counselling. It draws on the insights of psychotherapy and supportive and directive counselling with an emphasis on spiritual wholeness and ethical growth. [em>Basic Types of Pastoral Care and Counseling](#) remains the standard in pastoral and counseling. This third edition is enlarged and revised with updated resources, methods, exercises, and illustrations from actual counseling sessions. This book will help readers be sensitive to cultural diversity, ethical issues, and power dynamics as they practice holistic, growth-oriented pastoral care and counseling in the parish.

Monthly current affairs magazine from a Christian perspective with a focus on politics, society, economics and culture. The doing of theology comes in many different guises and styles. This volume is concerned with Integrative Theology, a discipline which serves participation in the mission of God. It is a practice of discernment by which we aim to be attentive to God in God's world, God's word, and God's work, so as to grow in our understanding of what God wants for and is doing in the world. We seek this knowledge so that we may align ourselves with God's desire in relation to specific realities and issues and serve what we discern to be God's purpose with wisdom and courage. When we do that, we are participating in the mission of God. By means of an explanation of Integrative Theology, its aims, goals, and methods, and then through a series of essays illustrating the results of such a theology, this volume serves as a textbook for doing Integrative Theology. Students and faculty alike will find in this volume a valuable resource for doing theology in the early twenty-first century.

"Professors Snodgrass and Maynard have done their field a service in bringing together all that is here. The American Association of Pastoral Counselors now has a splendid contemporary text to present themselves to other fields whose members may yet wonder 'What has religion (or spirituality) or pastoral counseling have to do with the healing arts?' There was in a past era the critique and complaint that the pastoral care and counseling field did not have a literature and history that allowed it to stand as intellectually serious colleagues with others in more traditional theological disciplines. Now they have an answer in this book." -- Curtis W. Hart, MD, Weill Cornell Medical College, *Journal of Religion and Health* This book is written in the active voice. It does not desire to define pastoral counseling but offers real time examples that illustrate the breadth, depth and vibrancy of practitioners in various contexts of work and practice. It is clear the authors are engaged in their vocation and it engages them. Upon reading this book I trust that you will feel

similarly about your work." —Douglas M. Ronsheim, D.Min., Executive Director, American Association of Pastoral Counselors "Understanding Pastoral Counseling is the new benchmark book in the field. Not only does this serious, practical, and fascinating work provide great insight into appreciating pastoral counseling as it is but it also, through a great diversity of authors and topics, stimulates us to dream where the field may go in the future. It is truly a tour de force." —Robert J. Wicks, PsyD, Author, *The Resilient Clinician* and *The Inner Life of the Counselor* "This is a welcomed, major addition to our literature on pastoral counseling that will be useful in seminary and clinical classrooms alike. Understanding Pastoral Counseling honors the history of pastoral counseling in the U.S. while it explores contemporary diverse models and practices in and beyond the U.S. With a wide range of accomplished contributors, this book celebrates the religious and cultural plurality of contemporary pastoral and spiritual care." —Nancy J. Ramsay, PhD, Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pastoral Care, Brite Divinity School

What are the roles, functions, and identities of pastoral counselors today? What paradigms shape their understanding of the needs of others? How can pastoral counselors serve the needs of diverse individuals in both religious and secular environments? This foundational text reflects the continued and unfolding work of pastoral counseling in both clinical and traditional ministry settings. It addresses key issues in the history, current practices, and future directions of pastoral counseling and its place among allied helping professions. Written to incorporate current changes in the roles of pastoral counselors and models of training beyond the traditional seminary, the book builds on themes of pastoral counseling as a distinct way of being in the world, understanding client concerns and experiences, and intervening to promote the health and growth of clients. The text provides a foundational overview of the roles and functions of the modern pastoral counselor. It discusses spiritual perspectives on the issues that bring individuals to seek counseling and integrates them with the perspectives of allied mental health professions. The tools and methods pastoral counselors can employ for spiritual assessment are presented, and the book describes common spiritual and theological themes—both implicit and explicit—that arise in pastoral counseling. Included are chapters examining Christian, Jewish, Islamic, Native American, and Buddhist approaches to counseling as well as counseling individuals with diverse sexual identities. The book reflects the increasing need for pastoral counselors to serve effectively in a multicultural society, including service to individuals who are not affiliated with a specific religious denomination. The book also considers the emerging realities of distance counseling and integrated health care systems as current issues in the field.

KEY FEATURES: Presents a contemporary approach to how pastoral counselors function as mental health professionals and spiritual leaders Serves as a state-of-the-art foundational text for pastoral counseling education Describes assessments and interventions that are shared with allied mental health professionals and those that are unique to pastoral counseling Provides an ecumenical and interfaith

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approach for a multicultural society, including individuals with diverse sexual identities Addresses counseling with individuals who do not affiliate with a specific faith tradition Includes Instructor's Guide and online Student Resources to enhance teaching and learning

The International Council on Pastoral Care and Counseling (ICPCC) met in August 2011 in Rotorua, New Zealand for its 9th International Congress. Various discussions in the field arose from actual challenges, such as the earthquake in Japan, social changes, and, mainly, deprivations all over the world. The ICPCC offers guidelines on how to cope with these situations, which also include the indigenous traditions of the Maori culture, projects on inter-religious encounter, etc. - all of which provoke a rethinking of traditional spirituality. The Congress proceedings are presented in this book as a state of discussion within this globalized network. (Series: Theologie: Forschung und Wissenschaft - Vol. 33)

In *Theological Context for Pastoral Caregiving*, Howard W. Stone helps his fellow pastors and worship leaders provide effective and faithful pastoral care and counseling through the study of the correlation between pastoral care and theology. You will learn that in order for pastoral care to be effective it must have a theological base to shape the caregiving experience. At the same time, theology must be informed by the needs and experiences of the people being served and by the ministry of pastoral care. By relating these two issues, you gain a unique viewpoint not offered by books with simply a psychological focus. The author draws from his day-to-day clinical practice of pastoral care and counseling to show how pastoral care and theology can be brought together. Through Howard Stone's work, the reader learns of: an overview of pastoral care and counseling today how to provide a pastoral assessment of the persons served the author's theological understanding of the ministry of pastoral care and counseling methods for correlating theology and pastoral care how spiritual direction as a discipline can help pastoral care and counseling ministry regain a solid theological base theological themes that might be more explicitly and intentionally related to pastoral care *Theological Context for Pastoral Caregiving* provides useful information for parish pastors, people in training to be parish pastors, and specialists in the field of pastoral care counseling. As one of the easiest-to-read books on this subject, it can also be used as a text for graduate-level classes in courses such as Theology and Pastoral Care, Pastoral Theology, and Practical Theology. With this book, seminary students will finally be able to relate the practical things learned in pastoral counseling classes with what is learned in theology classes.

Pastoral Care in Worship draws on Christian heritage and illuminating psychological research to deepen and enrich the pastoral dimension of Sunday worship.

The ideal companion volume to Clinebell's classic *Basic Types of Pastoral Care & Counseling*.

Accomplished author Richard Stoll Armstrong speaks openly and honestly about how a pastor functions with evangelical

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sensitivity in the roles of visitor, counselor, teacher, discipler, administrator, and public figure. He describes the specific opportunities for evangelism in each of these functions. Ways are suggested in which pastors can lead conversations and group or class meetings that open up opportunities for discussion of faith questions.

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