



ACBC Approved Reading List

The following books will be helpful to you as you complete your ACBC exams. Individuals pursuing ACBC Certification are required to read **1,000** pages or more from the following resources, **300** pages of which must be from the Biblical Counseling & Theology text category.

Biblical Counseling & Theology

A Theology of Christian Counseling by Jay Adams

A Theology of Biblical Counseling by Heath Lambert

Biblical Doctrine: A Systematic Summary of Bible Truth by John MacArthur and Richard Mayhue

Systematic Theology by Louis Berkhof

Systematic Theology by John Frame

Christian Theology by Millard Erickson

Basic Theology by Charles Ryrie

Moody Handbook of Theology by Paul Enns

The Inspiration and Authority of the Bible by B.B. Warfield

Words of Life by Timothy Ward

Created in God's Image by Anthony A. Hoekema

Power Encounters: Reclaiming Spiritual Warfare by David Powlison

A Fight to the Death: Taking Aim at Sin Within (Strength for Life) by Wayne Mack

Trusting God by Jerry Bridges

God's Greater Glory by Bruce Ware

When People are Big and God Is Small by Ed Welch

Counseling & Anger

Uprooting Anger by Robert Jones

Anger & Stress Management by Wayne Mack

The Heart of Anger by Lou Priolo

Counseling & Sorrow

Out of the Blues by Wayne Mack

Spiritual Depression by Martyn Lloyd Jones

Counseling & Anxiety

Courage: Fighting Fear with Faith by Wayne Mack

Fear, Worry, and Anxiety by Elyse Fitzpatrick

Counseling & Avoidance

Finally Free: Fighting for Purity with the Power of Grace by Heath Lambert

Addictions: A Banquet in the Grave by Ed Welch

The Heart of Addictions by Mark Shaw

Counseling & Conflict

The Peacemaker by Ken Sande

Unpacking Forgiveness by Chris Brauns

Pursuing Peace by Robert D. Jones

Introduction to Biblical Counseling

The Christian Counselor's Manual
by Jay Adams

How to Help People Change by
Jay Adams

*Counseling: How to Counsel
Biblically* by John MacArthur

Seeing with New Eyes by David
Powlison

*Instruments in the Redeemer's
Hands* by Paul David Tripp

The Trellis and the Vine by
Colin Marshall and Tony
Payne

*The Biblical Counseling Movement
after Adams* by Heath Lambert

Counseling the Hard Cases edited
by Stuart Scott and Heath
Lambert

Counsel Your Flock by Paul
Tautges

Blame It on the Brain? By Ed
Welch

How People Change by Timothy
Lane and Paul David Tripp

Putting Your Past in Its Place by
Steve Viars

Competent to Counsel by Jay
Adams

Speaking the Truth in Love by
David Powlison

*Counseling by the Book: Revised
and Expanded Edition* by John
Babler and Nicholas Ellen

*Biblical Crisis Counseling: Not If,
But When* by John Babler

Counseling & Family

Peacemaking for Families by Ken
Sande

This Momentary Marriage by
John Piper

When Sinners Say I Do by Dave
Harvey

The Excellent Wife by Martha
Peace

The Exemplary Husband by
Stuart Scott

Big Truths for Young Hearts by
Bruce Ware

God, Marriage, and Family by
Andreas Köstenberger

The Faithful Parent by Stuart
Scott and Martha Peace

Shepherding a Child's Heart by
Ted Tripp

You Never Stop Being a Parent
by Jim Newheiser and Elyse
Fitzpatrick

Marry Wisely, Marry Well by
Ernie Baker

*The Biblical Counseling Guide for
Women* by John and Janie
Street

*In the Aftermath: Past the Pain of
Childhood Sexual Abuse* by
Pamela Gannon and Beverly
Moore