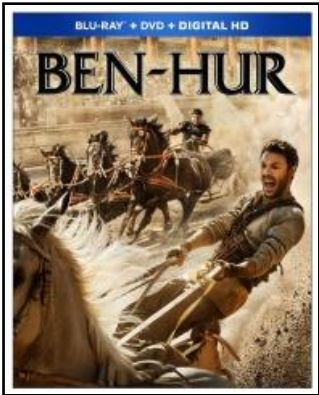




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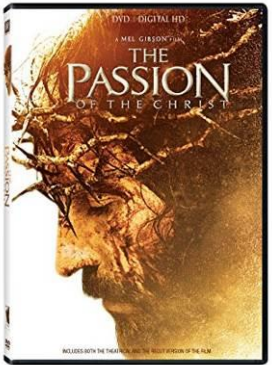
Recommended Resources for Easter



**Ben-Hur (2016)**- DVD + Blu-Ray Combo Pack; 124 minutes, Rated PG-13; Paramount Pictures © 2016  
"An epic tale of betrayal, forgiveness, and redemption...[based on the fictional 1880 novel by Lew Wallace] ...Judah Ben-Hur (Jack Huston), a Jewish prince, and Roman officer Messala (Toby Kebbell) are friends--- until Messala accuses Judah of treason. After spending years as a galley slave, Ben-Hur returns and plots to take revenge against Messala in the chariot races. But will his encounter with Jesus show him a better way?" *Checkout Restricted to Teens/Adults*; H-07 DVD1660 (3 Discs: Blu-ray, DVD and Special Effects DVD)

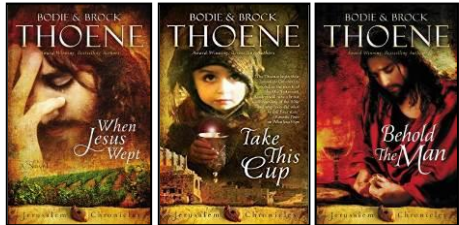
**ALSO AVAILABLE:** *Ben-Hur* (the 1959 edition starring Charlton Heston) packaged along with Cecil B. DeMille’s *The Ten Commandments* (released in 1956, also starring Charlton Heston) H-07 DVD1466. Both of those are Rated G. Also, a children’s animated DVD called: *Ben-Hur: A Tale of Christ* is available, featuring the voice of Charlton Heston as *Ben-Hur* (A-84 DVD223). The teen/adult novel, *Ben-Hur: A Tale of the Christ* by Carol Wallace (FIC WAL) is available too.

**The Passion of the Christ (New Bilingual Edition – With Optional English and Spanish Soundtracks)** - DVD directed by Mel Gibson; Starring Jim Caviezel; RATED R for scenes of graphic violence; Also included is a separate Unrated Version which contains material different from the original R-Rated Version, though we still recommend strong parental discretion for even this re-cut version; Checkout is Restricted to Ages 17 and up. Note: English and Spanish dubbed soundtracks are only available on the uncut version, and may be selected through the “Special Features” menu. Screen subtitles can also display. Original version is 126 minutes; © 2004 Icon Distribution; and © 2016 Twentieth Century Fox Home Entertainment. - H-14 DVD1664



*The Passion of the Christ* is a very graphic and moving drama on the crucifixion of Christ. We also have the original uncut version that only has its soundtrack in the Arabic language, though it does have English subtitles. You might also be interested in a documentary DVD called: **Changed Lives: Miracles of The Passion** (H-32 DVD337) which is from a television special that gave accounts of interviewed people who claim that various types of miracles occurred in their lives after seeing *The Passion of the Christ* movie. Grace Library has additional DVDs depicting His death/resurrection in Section H-08.

**The Jerusalem Chronicles** (Novel trilogy series by Bodie & Brock Thoene); FIC THO (shelved on New Fiction Displays)



**When Jesus Wept (#1)** - Lazarus occupies a surprising position in the Gospel accounts. Widely known as the man Jesus raised from the dead, his story is actually much broader and richer than that. Living as he did in Bethany, near Jerusalem, Lazarus was uniquely placed to witness the swirl of events around Jesus. *When Jesus Wept* unfolds the turbulent times in Judea during Jesus ministry, centering on the friendship between Jesus and Lazarus. (- Cover); 321 pages; © 2012 Zondervan

**Take This Cup (#2)** - Nehemiah, son of a Jewish woman, a weaver from Jerusalem, is born and raised among the Jews who don’t return to Jerusalem from the Exile. He grows up with expectations of a soon-coming Messiah. Could the Yeshua of Nazareth, who is walking the earth, reportedly doing

miracles, be the Messiah? Charged with a mission to carry a mysterious object back to the holy city of Jerusalem, Nehemiah arrives there just as the final events of Jesus’ earthly ministry are coming to a climax. (- Cover); 380 pages; © 2013 Zondervan

**Behold the Man (#3)** - Jesus’ last days are explored through three people who interacted with him: Governor Pilate, for whom Judea will either make or break his career; Pilate’s wife, Claudia, desperately seeking aid for her much loved, crippled son; and Centurion Marcus Longinus, caught in the middle between loyalty to the Empire, love for Claudia, and an ever-increasing belief in Jesus as the Son of God. After encountering Jesus, none of them will ever be the same. (- Cover); 335 pages; © 2015 Zondervan

Some Additional Easter Resources (in “Easter” Section)

**Risen: Witness the Manhunt that Changed the Course of Human History** (PG-13 DVD Drama, 107 minutes, © 2016 PureFlix Entertainment) – “**RISEN is the epic Biblical story of the Resurrection, as told through the eyes of an unbeliever.**”



“Clavius, a powerful Roman Military Tribune, and his aide Lucius, are tasked with solving the mystery of what happened to Jesus in the weeks following the crucifixion, in order to disprove the rumors of a risen Messiah and prevent an uprising in Jerusalem.” *Checkout Restricted to Teens/Adults*; DVD Version: H-14 DVD1580; Blu-ray Version: H-14 DVD1581; **Also Available: *Risen (a novel)*** by Angela Hunt, the book on which the drama was based. – FIC HUN

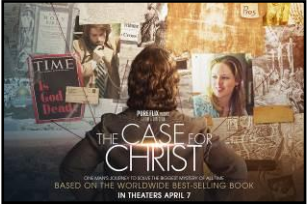
Books:

**The Power of the Cross** (Tony Evans) – 240 EVA  
**The Case for Christ** (232 STR); **The Case for the Resurrection** (232.5 STR); and **The Case for Easter** (232.5 STR) – and several other related books, DVDs and audiobooks by Lee Strobel.  
**Evidence for the Resurrection** (Josh McDowell and Sean McDowell) – 232.5 McD  
**Cold Case Christianity** – 239 WAL and **Alive: A Cold Case Approach to the Resurrection** (both by J. Warner Wallace) – 223.2 WAL

**DVDs:**  
**The Jesus Film: 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition** (Rated G) – High Definition DVD (H-08 DVD1278) and Blu-ray Only (H-08 DVD1279)  
**The Easter Experience: What Happened Then Changes Everything Now** (a powerful docudrama by Kyle Idleman) – H-32 DVD1155  
**Feast of Passover** (Rose Publishing Co.; Exciting explanation of the Passover and the symbolism that points to Messiah) – H-24 DVD1677  
**... AND CHOOSE FROM SEVERAL MORE IN THE EASTER COLLECTION DISPLAYS (Cabinet just behind the Library Circulation Desk & Children’s Section)**  
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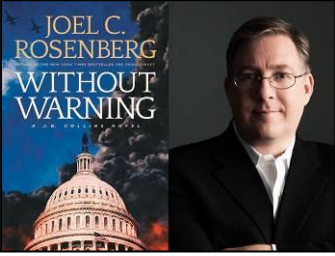
## Reminder – New Christian Movie in Theaters Beginning April 7

**The Case for Christ** ... a dramatized major motion picture about the transformed life of former atheist, Lee Strobel! – Visit the movie website for theater information and to view the official trailer: <http://caseforchristmovie.pureflix.com/tickets/theaters>. Rated PG (Parental Guidance Suggested); **Plays nationwide in theaters, starting on April 7, 2017 (plus a special early showing on April 6).**



**Also check-out the new expanded “Movie Edition” of his book, *The Case for Christ* – 232 STR**

## New Books – Fiction (Teens/Adults)



**Without Warning** (J. B. Collins Series, Book 3, by Joel C. Rosenberg, 480 pages; © 2017 Tyndale House Publishers) - “As he prepares to deliver the State of the Union address, the President of the United States is convinced the Islamic State is on the run, about to be crushed by American forces once and for all. But *New York Times* foreign correspondent J. B. Collins tells the President he’s dead wrong. With the Middle East on fire, the Israeli prime minister dead, and Amman in ruins, Collins fears a catastrophic attack inside the American homeland is imminent. He argues that only an all-out manhunt to capture or kill Abu Kahlif—the leader of ISIS—can stop the attack and save American lives. But will the President listen and take decisive action before it’s too late?” (- Publisher); - FIC ROS

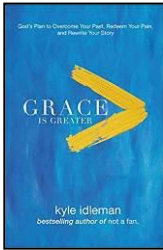
**A Lineage of Grace: Five Stories of Unlikely Women** (Francine Rivers, Five novels about women in the Bible, all in one book!) – FIC RIV  
**If I’m Found** (Sequel to: *If I Run*; Terri Blackstock) – “Casey Cox is still on the run, fleeing prosecution for a murder she didn’t commit...” - FIC BLA

## New Books – Non-Fiction (Teens/Adults)

**Grace is Greater: God’s Plan to Overcome Your Past, Redeem Your Pain, and Rewrite Your Story** (Kyle Idleman, 188 pages; © 2017 Baker Books) - “The writer of the letter to the

Hebrews said, ‘See to it that no one misses the grace of God.’ Over the centuries much ink has been spilled on the subject of grace. Yet perhaps nothing is as hard to explain as God’s grace. It doesn’t make sense. It’s not fair. It can’t possibly cover over what I’ve done. The best way—perhaps the only real way—to understand it is to experience it. But too often in our churches we’re not getting grace across and grace is not experienced.

“Bestselling author and pastor Kyle Idleman wants everyone to experience the grace of God. Through the powerful medium of story, *Grace Is Greater* leads readers past their hang-ups toward an understanding of grace that is bigger than our mistakes, our failures, our desire for revenge, and our seemingly impossible situations. No sin is so great, no bitterness so deep that God’s grace cannot transform the heart and rewrite the story. Perfect for individuals and also for small groups and church-wide studies, *Grace Is Greater* will help readers truly grasp God’s grace, even if the Christians around them have failed to live it.” – Publisher) – 234.5 IDL (Watch the related YouTube video clip featuring Kyle Idleman at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HhpafOKKQ6M>)



**Accelerate: Parenting Teenagers Towards Adulthood** (*How Not to Find Your 25-Year-Old Still Living in Your Basement!*) - Richard Ross) – 248.6 ROS

**Loving Our Kids on Purpose: Making a Heart-to-Heart Connection** (Danny Silk) – 248 SIL

**If I Had a Parenting Do-Over: 7 Vital Changes I’d Make** (Jonathan McKee) – 248 McK

**The Barbarians Are Here: Preventing the Collapse of Western Civilization in Times of Terrorism** (Michael Youssef) – 240.4 YOU

**Conquer: Your Battle Plan for Spiritual Victory** (Michael Youssef) – 235 YOU

**The Coming Apostasy: Exposing the Sabotage of Christianity from Within** (Mark Hitchcock and Mark Kinley) – 270.83 HIT/KIN

## New DVDs – Teen/Adult Checkout



**Priceless: Inspired by True Stories** (PG-13 Drama starring Joel Smallbone, from the Grammy Award Winning Band, *for KING & COUNTRY*; 1 hr. 40 minutes; © 2017 Universal Studios) – “Desperate and at a crossroads, James (Joel Smallbone) agrees to drive a box truck on a shady, one-time trip cross country for cash – no questions asked. But when he discovers what he is delivering is actually a who, James is compelled to help two frightened sisters who are unaware of the danger that awaits them in this inspiring tale of love, strength, and redemption.” (- Cover); **Rated PG-13** for mature thematic material involving human trafficking, and some violence. (Parents Strongly Cautioned – Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13); *Checkout Restricted to Teens/Adults*; - H-14 DVD1665. See a preview video trailer at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NFcUhAj8mts>:

**Vanished Left Behind: Next Generation** (Drama, **Rated PG-13** for thematic elements and some violence/peril; 89 Minutes; © 2016 EchoLight Studios) – “A fifteen year old is thrust into adulthood when a billion people from all around the world suddenly vanishes.” (- Grace Online Library Catalog); *Checkout Restricted to Teens/Adults*- H-11 DVD1648. See a preview video at: <https://vimeo.com/131218676>

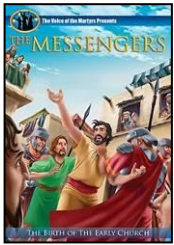
## New Children’s DVDs



**New Animated Children’s DVDs from Voice of the Martyrs for Ages 7 and Up:**

**God With Us: The Coming of the Savior** (Formerly called *Jesus: He Lived Among Us*, but with newly enhanced animation, this latest DVD tells the story of the birth, life, teachings, miracles, death and resurrection of Jesus, through the eyes of the Apostle John; 90 minutes) - A-52 DVD1675

**The Messengers: The Birth of the Church** (Follows the small band of early Christian believers boldly proclaiming Christ and His message in the face of great opposition resulting in the growth of the Church and unexpected conversion of its most zealous enemy. Based on Acts, Chapters 1-9; 70 minutes) – A-52 DVD1676



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