

going deeper

Personal or group study ideas.
Read the articles, choose your questions!

- Spiritual Beliefs in End-of-Life Care:** Read Browning, pp. 10-17.
- How does God view death? See 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Psalm 23:4, 116:15; John 5:24; Acts 2:22-24; Romans 8:38-39; 1 Corinthians 15 and Philippians 1:20-21.
 - Discuss the role of advance directives. What are limitations of ADs? Strengths?
 - Share how you've dealt with a patient's end-of-life experience. How did the patient respond? The family? How did you respond?
 - Practice using the GUIDE© with a colleague.
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- Parish Nursing/Nursing in the Church:** Read King and Tessaro, and Hinton, pp. 22-24 and 53.
- What parish nursing programs are in your area? What resources are offered?
 - What additional training is needed to prepare to be a parish nurse?
 - According to King and Tessaro, what do parish nurses report regarding spiritual care? Why is this so? What do you think would increase nurses' effectiveness in this area?
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- Diversity:** Read McDonald and Brown-Collins, Stetz, pp. 25-30 and 31-36.
- Define justice and diversity as you understand these concepts.
 - What steps does your workplace or nursing school take to enhance diversity? What is the policy of the institution where you work or your university regarding diversity?
 - Dig deep to examine personal biases. What did you learn about yourself?
 - How can you show dignity and respect for all persons? When have you found this challenging?
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- Storytelling:** Read Called to Teach, pp. 56.
- Why are stories an effective teaching method?
 - How can you use stories to assist your students or patients?
 - What is your favorite Bible story? Why? How might you frame this story to share with a patient?