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Finding Faith in the University: Resources for Students, Parents & Professors

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****for parents & pastors**

Religious affiliation is plummeting across the breadth of Christian denominations. And yet interest in "spirituality" is on the rise. So what is behind the sea change in American religion? Bass interprets the "spiritual but not religious" trend.

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"What makes a good life?' Wrestling with questions about how to live your life is part of being human. On Our Way invites you to explore a way of life that is rooted in ancient wisdom while also moving towards the future, a way of life overflowing with God's justice, mercy, and love."

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Two college professors insist that the Christian faith is not threatened by tough questions. They maintain that some of the greatest minds the human race has produced have put hard questions to Jesus and come away more firm in their faith and more convinced of its truth than ever before.

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Looks at the biblical view of calling, recognizing that each of us is here for a reason, and offers practical guidelines on seizing career opportunities.

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Addresses the defining issues that young adults face and the choices-education, marriage, career, vocation-that will impact the rest of their lives.

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Urges thoughtful adults to assume responsibility for providing strategic mentorship or emerging adults during this important decade in life.

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****for students**

Brothers give you a heads up on what to expect at college: roommates, dating, choosing classes, finding a campus group, and more--plus strategies for holding on to your faith.

