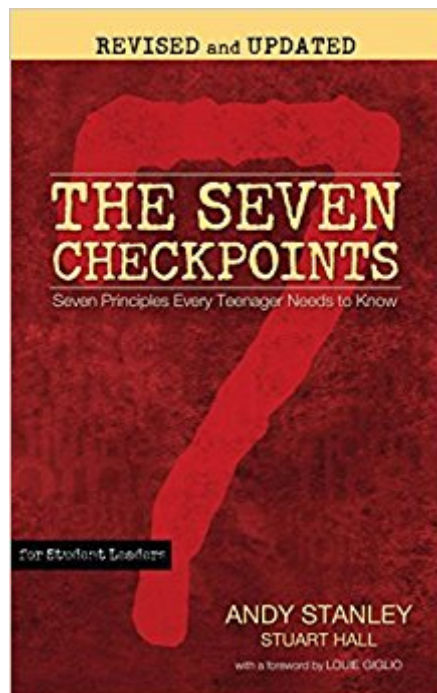




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The Seven Checkpoints For Student Leaders: Seven Principles Every Teenager Needs To Know



Synopsis

The Seven Checkpoints for Student Leaders is more than a book; it is a ministry plan. It goes far beyond the "how to" of youth ministry and provides youth ministers, youth workers, and parents with the content that students need to equip them for "life beyond youth group." The material in this book and the companion book The Seven Checkpoints Student Journal reveals what Stanley calls "the irreducible minimum"--the essential principles upon which an entire youth ministry can be built. Stanley and Hall offer some unorthodox but very sensible approaches to planning and maintaining a youth group over a long period of time with a specific goal in mind. The book outlines a strategy for effectively teaching students over the course of their time in school, and this new updated edition is what every leader needs to keep up with the ever-changing challenges students face. Stanley and Hall identify seven "checkpoints" that are the most important and critical issues facing teens: 1. Authentic Faith 2. Spiritual Disciplines 3. Moral Boundaries (this section deals primarily with issues of sexual purity and dating) 4. Healthy Friendships 5. Wise Choices 6. Ultimate Authority 7. Others First Practical application, biblical principles, and realistic approaches for facing modern challenges facilitate teaching for busy youth leaders that will make an impact for eternity.

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Customer Reviews

Andy Stanley, like his father, Charles Stanley, carries on a tradition of excellence in ministry. A

graduate of Dallas Theological Seminary and the founding pastor of North Point Community Church, Andy serves as keynote speaker for the Big Stuf Student Camps in Panama City, Florida, each summer. Stuart Hall serves as the director of training for XP3 Students and also leads DASH INC, an organization he founded in 2000 to develop spiritually influential students that engage culture. He has co-authored three books: *The Seven Checkpoints: Seven Principles Every Teenager Needs to Know*, *MAX Q: Developing Students of Influence* with Andy Stanley, and the leadership edition of *Wired: For a Life of Worship* with Louie Giglio. In his spare time, he serves as a community varsity girls basketball coach for the two-time defending state champion Buford Lady Wolves.

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I purchased Andy Stanley's *Seven Checkpoints* to use for my Teen Sunday School class. From what I understand, these lessons were developed to prepare youth for life after high school. The lessons are geared toward grounding youth (I say youth, but the lessons apply to all of us) firmly in Christ so they can stand strong when they head out into the "real world". We are just about through the first Checkpoint, which is Authentic Faith verses Circumstantial faith, and I love it. I also ordered the Kindle version of the the accompaniment book which has deepened my understanding of the lessons. This a very excellent study. Very basic but so necessary to our spiritual growth.

A great starter, I felt the need to add the following checkpoints:

- 8. Transforming Gospel Key Thought - The Risen Jesus is a Saving King Key Question - Can our students explain the gospel, and do their lives show hearts tender towards the commands of Jesus? Key Verse - Acts 17:30-31.
- Empowered Mission Key Thought - We are disciples of Jesus who make disciples of Jesus Key Question - Do our students know what it means to be a disciple and how to spiritually reproduce? Key Verse - Matthew 28:18-20.
- Global Thinking Key Thought - We are blessed to be a blessing. Key Question - Do our students accept the call to bring the Gospel to the world? Key Verse - Genesis 12:2-3

Highly recommend for student leaders!!! Helps set great foundational principals. It's helping our youth group learn the basics about what a relationship with God looks like.

Excellent. Very wise. The chapter on how teenagers form friendships was worth the whole price of the book.

Really liked this book, felt it made lots of good points. Totally agreed with author regarding the young people today and what is lacking in their maturity as a Christian. Would have like to have seen a link to materials to use in teaching the checkpoints in order to save time planning lessons.

This book challenges leaders to think about the core things that need to be woven into students lives so that they can remain faithful to God throughout their lives. Then once you have developed this list, build your teaching and programs around it so that these principles are worked into the thinking and lives of your students. It is a great book for any student leader to use for developing the lives of their students.

I received this very quickly after ordering. It was in excellent shape. After reviewing this book, I am convinced to use it with my youth group and parents. Very well written and easy to follow.

Genial

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