

Resources for Lead 902

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Resources

For Contemporary Issues in Leadership IV, this writer has elected to discuss the next generation which are known as the Millennials and their impact on today's church leadership. Continuing with the concentration of Ecclesiastical Leadership, the following books are listed below for review and approval.

1. *Relevant: The Church as it Relates to Millennials*

This book details the current state of Millennials in the church. It points out how the upbringing of Millennials in church is different from the previous generation, Baby-Boomers. The Millennials are more interested in honest and open communication within the church. However, the book also reveals that they see the church as being judgmental and critical. As the title of one of the reviews state, the author presents information that outlines whether the Millennials see any value in the church.

2. *Stained-Glass Millennials*

This book is written by a Millennial and presents a different view of their involvement in the Church. It is reported that Millennials are leaving the church in groves, but in this book this author is presenting an alternative view of encouraging them to stay and bring about changes that will be encouraging.

3. *The Millennials: Connecting to America's Largest Generation*

The reviews of this book all agree that it is very timely and provides insightful information concerning this generation. The authors are father and son and attempt to bring information to light, however, many agree that the information provided is repetitive. Reviews also indicate that this book contains research gathered from approximately 1200 Millennials, and provides information on how to reach Millennials from a Christian perspective.

4. *Millennials in Ministry*

This book provides information concerning how to relate and work with Millennials in ministry. The reviews state that it is very informative and very enlightening. This book is recommended to be used in workshops and seminars, and provides research, from a qualitative perspective on what it is like to lead Millennials in the church. The author provides information on how to attract and keep the Millennials in ministry.

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