

This is an abbreviated list of missional church literature and web sites.

\* indicates a brief and non-technical article or book

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