

# Resources for Baptists: Who? What? Why? When? Where?

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## Online Resources

*Baptist Beginnings* by H. Leon McBeth

*The Baptist Story* by Lynn May Jr.

*The Baptist Story for Children* by Robert A. Brown

*Crises in Baptist Life* by Walter B. Shurden

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## Other Resources on “Baptists: Who? What? Why? When? Where?”

Brackney, William H. *The Baptists*. New York: Greenwood Press, 1988. A relatively concise treatment of Baptist history and thought written for both Baptists and non-Baptists. A paperback edition was issued

by Praeger Press in 1994 with a very helpful bibliographical essay.

Estep, William R. *Why Baptists?* Dallas: Baptist General Convention of Texas, 1997. A book commissioned by the Baptist Distinctives Committee of the Baptist General Convention of Texas to share the Baptist story from a biblical, historical and contemporary perspective.

Goodwin, Everett C. *Down by the Riverside*. Valley Forge: Judson Press, 2002. A brief and readable book that combines the history of Baptists with major Baptist beliefs and practices.

Leonard, Bill J. *Baptist Ways: A History*. Valley Forge: Judson Press, 2003. A view of Baptists worldwide with a focus on Baptists in America. Contains an extensive bibliography.

McBeth, H. Leon. *The Baptist Heritage: Four Centuries of Baptist Witness*. Nashville: Broadman Press, 1987. A voluminous tracing of Baptist heritage in various parts of the world. Contains an extensive bibliography.

Shurden, Walter B. *Not a Silent People*. Nashville: Broadman Press, 1972. A tracing of Baptist history and thought highlighting Baptist controversy within the denomination and with those outside of it.

Torbet, Robert G. *History of the Baptists*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. Valley Forge: Judson Press, 1963. One of the basic histories of Baptists by a respected scholar.

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