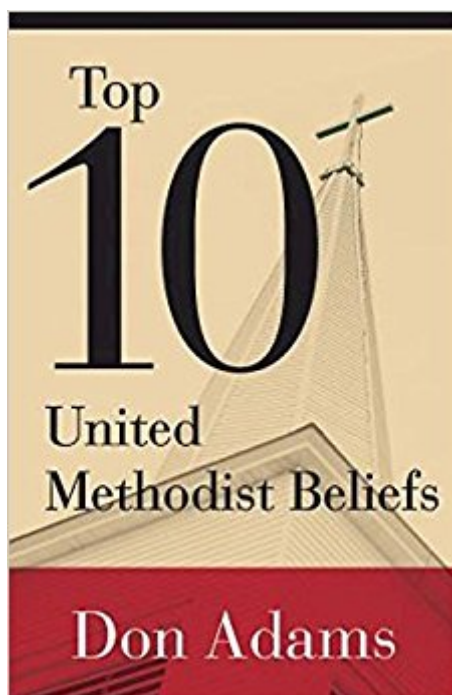


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# Top 10 United Methodist Beliefs



## Synopsis

There can be no doubt about what Jesus thought was “the main thing,” the Great Commandments to love God with our heart, soul, and mind and to love neighbor as yourself. What were the non-negotiables for the founder of the Methodist movement, John Wesley?

Wesley’s first priority was to grow Christian disciples who loved God and neighbor with a holy love that keeps those Commandments. Using John Wesley as guide, *Top 10 United Methodist Beliefs* describes the 10 most important United Methodist beliefs, so that we are equipped for every good work. It also describes how a passionate Wesley can still inspire us to travel the road to perfection using these basic beliefs as signposts, not hitching posts, so that we can more fully follow Jesus. But discipleship can be arduous and God’s grace is not cheap. We must be prepared to walk and walk and not just talk. The Christian life is action packed with surprises at every turn. “Are you able?” as the old hymn asks. Yes, Lord, we are able through the power and love of God to be accountable to Jesus and each other. Each chapter includes study questions suitable for personal reflection and group conversation.

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The book only focuses on Wesley's (and by extension the United Methodist) understanding of salvation. It comprehensively treats this aspect of our faith and does it well. I especially appreciated the chapter on Original Sin which is so often demonized in our day, but essential to a Christian and Methodist understanding of salvation.

Don Adams presents the top ten United Methodist beliefs in a manner that lends itself to study. His quotes from John Wesley enhance the study and allows us to understand John Wesley in a better way. However, Don Adams does not use easily understood language that allows the readers to really appreciate how special and unique Methodism was in the beginning and is today.

A wonderful book that all Methodists should read.

Excellent, easy to understand and yet intelligent examination of Wesleyan beliefs. A great read not only for Methodists, but for anyone in one of the many denominations influenced by Wesley's theology. Would be a wonderful, doable study for those just entering the Methodist church as well.

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