

GROW DISCIPLES

A relational approach

“ We undertake confirmation because we want our young people to go on a lifelong faith journey with us. In order to go on a long journey, they need to be prepared. ”



“ Students become engaged when content is presented through conversations, open questions and connection with everyday situations. ”



“ Leaders with a long-range mindset are especially mindful of the fact that confirmation is just one step in the discipleship journey. ”



Based on extensive research, both within the LCA and beyond, **Grow Ministries** has created a practical, accessible resource. Not only will the wisdom shared in **Grow Disciples** ease any anxiety of confirmation leaders and enhance young people's confirmation journey, it will also serve as a guide for any ministry leader and educator.

Grow Disciples is based on sound pedagogy, calling on the confirmation leader to reflect and evaluate. A key principle of the resource is the appeal for a relational approach, which is authentic and invitational, and positions the leader as a coach or facilitator as opposed to an expert that fills young heads with knowledge.

The book unpacks four ways of being relational by; prioritising relationships, utilising engaging and developmentally appropriate teaching methods, cultivating an environment of openness and providing experiential learning opportunities.

In each confirmation session, 'you are holding your hand out and inviting [young people] to come and see (again) that the Lord is good'.

Grow Ministries has worked hard to understand the needs of 21st century young people in New Zealand and Australia.

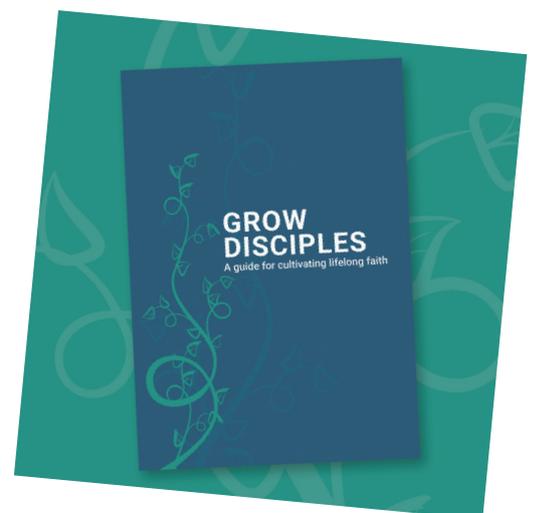
Welcome to the adventure of confirmation!

Whether you have run a yearly confirmation class for decades or this is your first time, we hope this guide will provide you with insights and resources for the journey ahead.

- Prioritising relationships.
- Utilising engaging and developmentally appropriate teaching methods.
- Cultivating an environment of openness.
- Providing experiential learning experiences.

As well as the **Grow Disciples** guide, there is a full curriculum that can also be purchased that uses the three key considerations described in the book - developing an approach that is lifelong, life related and well organised.

PLEASE NOTE: It is highly recommended that you read the guide before moving into purchasing the curriculum. There are samples within the guide for you to peruse.



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Individual resources

Grow Disciples guide (book) \$25
(includes postage)

Downloadable curriculum:

5 modules

God's Big Story \$15

4 sessions

Old Testament \$25

8 sessions

Story of Jesus \$30

9 sessions

New Testament \$20

6 sessions

Being Lutheran \$40

10 sessions + Being Lutheran resource support pack

Each module pack contains;

- How to use the module
- Faith Practices
- Confirmation session planning template (word document)
- Session material (curriculum)

Faith Practices \$10

Practices to engage scripture, prayer and engaging in everyday life

Resource support pack \$20

Games and activities

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CURRICULUM

Complete Curriculum \$120

All modules + faith practices + all resource support packs