
Great Summer Reading

For those who enjoy page-turning courtroom thrillers, there are three wonderful books by award winning author Randy Singer you won't want to miss. These all deal with current issues from a Christian perspective. Each is very well written and is a "fast read" – you won't want to put it down till you finish.

Randy's first book, *Directed Verdict*, published by a RandomHouse subsidiary, deals with the persecution of missionaries in Saudi Arabia and was a winner of the Christy Award for best suspense novel. *Irreparable Harm*, published by WaterBrook Press, received equally strong reviews. It is filled with intrigue involved with the cloning issue. His latest book, *Dying Declaration*, published by WaterBrook Press, revolves around a couple who believe in tough love and old fashioned discipline but do not believe in doctors. Hugh

Hewitt, author, columnist, and radio host of the nationally syndicated "Hugh Hewitt Show," says "*Randy Singer has done it again...Don't miss this book.*"

These books can be found at LifeWay, Christian Bookstores, Amazon or possibly Walden, Books A Million, or Barnes and Noble. (I would call first.)

For those interested in personal Christian growth books, *Made to Count*, by Bob Reccord and Randy Singer is an excellent choice. *Made to Count* drives right to the heart of the fear of failure to help you discover your God-designed purpose -- to find your life's true meaning and live your life's greatest passion. This is published by W Publishing Group, a division of Thomas Nelson, and is widely available.

Randy is a critically acclaimed author, law school professor and

veteran trial attorney. He presently serves as Chairman of the Board of FamilyNet, Inc., a national cable network, on the Board of Legal Advisors for the American Center for Law and Justice, a public interest advocacy firm on religious freedom issues, and as Chief Counsel for the Southern Baptist Convention's North American Mission Board.

Randy is a frequent commentator on religious freedom issues, separation of church and state issues, and the legal/moral dilemmas confronting our culture. www.randysinger.net.

He lives in Atlanta with his wife, Rhonda, and their two children.

I highly recommend each of these books to you.

Ellie Wade Ficken, Secretary
Eagle Forum of Alabama

Because of Eagle Forum's Intervention, The 2004 Alabama Social Studies Course of Study was changed so that now

Students will learn:

- * AD/BC as the official dating system for the US, and the birth of Christ as its basis¹
- * the United States was founded as a republic²
- * American sovereignty³
- * about famous historical figures who were previously omitted including **Ronald Reagan**, the Pilgrims, Lewis & Clark, and others⁴
- * the important role of business and entrepreneurship⁵
- * about American inventors and the role of the patent system in encouraging innovation⁶
- * that environmental problems can be addressed through common-sense approaches like crop rotation, reforestation, restocking of fish in waterways and problem-solving through innovation⁷
- * pride in their historical heritage⁸

Page numbers refer to the Alabama Course of Study: Social Studies, Alabama Department of Education, Bulletin 2004, No.18 as adopted by the SBE on 4/8/2004 :

1. p. 59; 2. pp. 1, 4, 36, 49, 52, 87; 3. pp. 3, 11, 19; 4. pp. 37, 39, 43, 67, 80, etc.; 5. pp. 3, 15, 19, 32, 75, 79; 6. pp. 44, 84; 7. pp. 20, 24, 55-57, 106-108; 8. pp. 21, 63.

Instead of:

- * BCE (Before the Common Era)/CE (in the Common Era)⁹
- * America as a democracy, which our founders condemned¹⁰
- * global citizenship¹¹
- * an overemphasis on civil rights workers, sports heroes and figures from pop culture like Elvis Presley, the Beatles and the Beatniks¹²
- * "equitable distribution of income" as a "commonly accepted goal" for the economy of the US¹³
- * the radical environmental viewpoint that all human activity is harmful to the environment¹⁴
- * collective guilt¹⁵

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9. p. 57; 10. pp. 1, 4, 36, 48, 51, 83; 11. pp. 3, 11, 66; 12. pp. 33, 73, 76, etc.; 13. p. 80; 14. pp. 20, 54, 55; 15. pp. 24, 30, 55, 64, 65, 70.