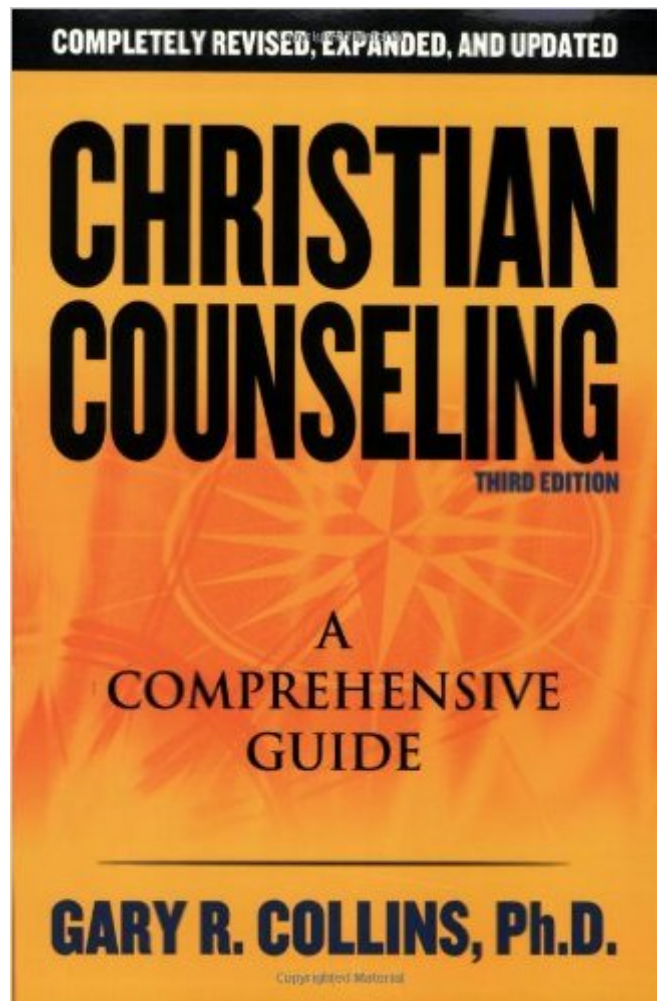


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This book has everything a Christian Counselor would want to know and need to learn in counseling clients with a blend of biblical principles and psychological training. It is an outstanding book, incorporating years of experiences and practical studies with methodology that has been proven by both the American Psychological Association and the American Association of Christian Counselors to benefit the client and counselor. I highly recommend Christian Counseling - 3rd Edition to anyone who is considering becoming a counselor as part of a church lay counseling ministry or a professional clinician working with those who deal with Christian/spiritual issues. It is a must read! Well worth the time and investment.

I used this book as part of my doctoral research. It's a very large and comprehensive book and Dr. Collins covers a wide range of counseling topics. Although the book is helpful I personally felt like the practical application of his counseling philosophy falls a bit short. Much good information can be gleaned from this book, but there are others I would recommend for a more practical application of Christian Counseling therapies.

Dr. Collin's books have become indispensable for counselors, not only in the US, but around the world, as is my situation. There are not good reliable books edited in Spanish, and the ones we have are mostly from Jay Adams. I am sorry to hear that his works are compared to Dr. Collin's writings. In fact are two different things. Christian Counseling help many people to understand their own issues, as well as, other people's issues. The problem with Jay Adams is that he's lost in an ontological labyrinth.

I am a professor of pastoral counseling and read this book some time ago. I deeply appreciate Dr. Collins' balanced approach to Christian counseling amid so many non-evidence based trends within the field. I have assigned it in a graduate course in psychotherapy that I teach, and the students always vote it as one of the most helpful books they read for the term. If you are in the field, please read it. If you are seeking a Christian counselor, definitely read it. Another very short and readable book you may find helpful is Counseling Christians for Mental, Emotional, Behavioral, and Spiritual Health.

I'm reading this book from cover to cover but I like the fact that it is formatted to be used as resource guide too. It is very readable and so far very informational. I like his take on combining traditional psychology and Christian counseling....these two are not mutually exclusive and can be a great help to each other. If you like helping others this is a good book to give you good info.

Great book but there is one issue I disagree with (that homosexuality is not a choice). This book is Biblically based and it gives relevant and godly insight and instruction. I am very happy with the physical copy I bought. I also bought the online version from Logos.com which is not only overly priced, but difficult to use. The electronic version even though I bought it specifically for my android devices, doubles on my phone allowing me to read less than a sentence at one time and it is noncompliant with my kindle. Stick with the physical book....for now.

If you are interested being a better minister/pastor and being more prepared in the area of counseling but you are not able to go to college to take some short degree or something like that, this book will provide the basics and a little bit more so you can be able to be a First Response Counselor.

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