



**Archbishops Lent Book 2006 - Free of Charge**  
**By Miroslav Volf £7.99 ISBN 0310265746**

We are at our human best when we give and forgive. But we live in a world in which it makes little sense to do either one. In our increasingly graceless culture, where can we find the motivation to give? And how do we learn to forgive when forgiving seems counterintuitive or even futile?

A deeply personal yet profoundly thoughtful book, *Free of Charge* explores these questions – and the further questions to which they give rise – in light of God's generosity and Christ's sacrifice for us. Miroslav Volf draws from popular culture as well as from a wealth of literary and theological sources, weaving his rich reflections around the sturdy frame of Paul's vision of God's grace and Martin Luther's interpretation of that vision. Blending the best of theology and spirituality, he encourages us to echo in our own lives God's generous giving and forgiving.

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lenten study book for 2006 is at the same time an introduction to Christianity. Even more, it is a compelling invitation to Christian faith as a way of life. Miroslav Volf, one of the most celebrated theologians of our day, offers us a unique interweaving of intense reflection, vivid and painfully personal stories and sheer celebration of the giving God.

**Lent with Luke**

**Daily readings from Luke's Gospel using paintings to aid contemplation**  
**by David Thompson £3.99 ISBN 185078597X**

*Lent with Luke* offers the reader a daily passage from Luke's Gospel, with thoughtful reflections, suggestions for prayer, and study notes. A special feature of the book is its use of reproductions of famous and not-so-famous paintings of the gospel scenes to open up our reactions to familiar passages, especially the Passion narrative, which is covered in full and forms the heart of the book. The daily studies continue into the week after Easter to help encourage continuing Bible study, prayer and fellowship beyond the time-limits of Lent.

**Life Attitudes: a five-session course on the Beatitudes for Lent**

**By Robert Warren and Sue Mayfield £3.99 ISBN 0715140469**

The aim of this Lent course is to explore the Beatitudes, which encapsulate the teaching of Jesus. Jesus himself lived out the Beatitudes in his earthly life and called his followers to do the same.

This five-session group study course, specially designed to be used during Lent, encourages Christians to examine their lifestyle in the light of Jesus' radical teaching and to live out these kingdom values – now.

Each session of the course contains enough material for 90 minutes and includes:

1. Living well: introducing the Beatitudes
2. Living openly: Matthew 5.3-4
3. Living purposefully: Matthew 5.5-6
4. Living lovingly: Matthew 5.7-8
5. Living differently: Matthew 5.9-10 and summary of the course