Experiential Sanctification reading material

These are my personal rankings on the contributions these authors provided to me on the topic of experiential sanctification (excluding commentaries). The categories are not related to chronological age. Obviously children in kindergarten are not going to read Calvin’s treatise on the Mortification of Sin!

What I’m trying to communicate with this example is that Calvin’s treatise was one of the first writings on this topic that made an effort to define what experiential is and led me to question why writings on this topic are so deficient … leading me next to research someone else’s writing another level up the “food chain.”

If I was teaching a series of classes on this topic, I’d recommend that my students start at the bottom and read the next book above it in ascending order until they get to the pinnacle. It is my opinion that if you skip some of the intermediate books, you will not be able to fully appreciate those at the top.

PhD

Robert B. Thieme, Jr.
  o Christian Integrity, 1990, R.B. Thieme, Jr. Bible Ministries

Masters

Joseph C. Dillow

Robert B. Thieme, Jr.
  o Reversionism, 2000, R.B. Thieme, Jr. Bible Ministries

Bachelors

Robert B. Thieme, Jr.
  o Grace Apparatus Perception, 1974, R.B. Thieme, Jr. Bible Ministries

Lewis S. Chafer
  o Grace: The Glorious Theme, 2002, Academie Books

John Owen

Keith W. Lamb
- The Lord’s Freedman, 1995, Treasure House Destiny Image Publishers

**High School**

Robert B. Thieme, Jr.

J. Dwight Pentecost
- Pattern For Maturity, 1966, Moody Press

John Walvoord

Hal Lindsey
- Faith For Earth’s Final Hour, 2003, Oracle House

**Junior High**

Lewis S. Chafer
- He That Is Spiritual, 1967, Zondervan Publishing

John Owen

Randall C. Gleason

Donald G. Barnhouse
- Invisible War, 1965, Zondervan Publishing

**Elementary**

John Owen
- On the Mortification of Sin, Vol. 6, 1965, Banner of Truth Trust

Erich Sauer
- In the Arena of Faith: A Call To the Consecrated Life, 1955, Paternoster Press

Arthur Custance
- Man In Adam and In Christ, 1979, Zondervan Publishing

Charles Ryrie
- Balancing the Christian Life, 1969, Moody Press
**Kindergarten**

John Calvin

**Unclassified**

Sinclair Ferguson, John Owen on the Christian Life
Thomas Goodwin, The Object and Acts of Justifying Faith
Robert Bolton, Some General Directions for a Comfortable Walking with God
Richard Baxter, The Divine Life
Thomas Gouge, Christian Directions Shewing How to Walk with God All the Day Long
J. East Harrison, Reigning in Life