

Suggested Reading/Viewing on “The War Between the States”

To order these resources, please first check the store at the national office of the Sons of Confederate Veterans to support the SCV www.scv.org . Most of these resources can be found by simply typing the title in to a GOOGLE Search. All resources are recommended by John H. Reagan Camp #2156 member Rudy Ray unless otherwise noted.

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Books and DVD On The War and Causes:

The Story of the Confederate States by Joseph T. Derry - Sprinkle Publications

This is a good book for teens to adults, basic and simple but good overall history of the CSA.

The Causes of the American Civil War Edited by Edwin C. Rozwenc

Twenty three essays on the subject by a variety of authors. May can find on Amazon, etc.

The Great Civil War Debate A DVD featuring a debate on the War between two contemporary preachers, Peter Marshall and Steve Wilkins. Available at:

http://www.christiancinema.com/catalog/product_info.php?products_id=1659&src=froogle

The Men in Gray, by Robert Catlett Cave. I highly recommend reading this little 143 page book. Mr. Cave lived from 1843-1923 and served along with his two brothers in the 13th Regiment Virginia Infantry. Having promised his father, “that he would serve Virginia as long as she might need his service,” Cave enlisted on April 17 as soon as Virginia voted secession. All three brothers survived the war and all three were wounded. After the war Mr. Cave went into business for a short time, but soon gave it up to preach. He was ordained in the Christian Church, Disciples of Christ. He eventually ended up in St. Louis where he was living when he put this little book together. His book was originally published in 1911. It is a compilation of three essays. The first is a speech which was delivered by Mr. Cave at the unveiling of a Confederate monument in Richmond in 1894 and offers a concise but clear statement of the causes that led up to the war between the North and the South. The second refutes the popular misrepresentations of the social conditions existing in the South before the war, focusing on the allegedly widespread maltreatment of the Negro slaves by their Southern masters. The third is an excellent synopsis of the centuries' old struggle between the "Cavalier" and the "Puritan," both in the Old World and in the New, which eventually erupted in the travesty of the sectional conflict that left the constitutional Union in ruins. I greatly appreciated how he wonderfully described and defended his fellow soldiers and sailors that served the Confederate States of America in his book. The best way to find a copy is to search www.google.com using the author's name. This review by Marc Robinson

The War Between the States: America's Uncivil War, by John J. Dwyer. This is a **greatText book** and a Study Guide is available. **About the Author:** John J. Dwyer is a popular author and speaker and Adjunct Professor of History at both Southern Nazarene University and Oklahoma City Community College. He is the former history chair at a classical college preparatory school, newspaper publisher, and radio host. May order book from publisher at <http://www.americanvision.com/warbetweenthestates.aspx> or other sources. This review by Marc Robinson

The South Was Right by Ronnie and/or Donnie Kennedy SCV Store

Books On The Military Aspects (Primarily):

Lee's Lieutenants: A Study in Command by Douglas Southall Freeman

Walker's Texas Division by Richard Lowe LSU Press
Includes much on Red River Campaign, outfit my GG GF William Ray fought in.

This Band of Heroes: Granbury's Texas Brigade by James M. McCaffrey
Outfit my other GG GF David Reedy fought in.

Biographies:

The Real Lincoln by Charles L.C. Minor Sprinkles Publications

The Life and Campaigns of General T.J. (Stonewall) Jackson by R.L. Dabney Sprinkle Publications

*The following biographies are of four great religious leaders of the South before during and after the War. It is impossible to understand the War without understanding the religious issues. Following the biographies are two books on the great revivals in the Southern Armies.

The Life and Letters of James Henley Thornwell by Dr. B.M. Palmer Banner of Truth Pub

The Life and Letters of Benjamin Morgan Palmer by Thomas Cary Johnson BOT Pub

The Life and Letters of Robert Lewis Dabney by Thomas Cary Johnson BOT Pub

The Life and Letters of John H. Broadus by A.T. Robertson Gano Books

The Great Revival In The Confederate Armies by W.W. Bennett Sprinkle Publications

Christ In The Camp by J. William Jones Sprinkle Publications

The Slavery Issue:

A Defense of Virginia and the South by R.L. Dabney Sprinkle Publications

Antebellum Slavery by Gary Lee Roper
You can get this book off SCV website.

Deliver Us From Evil: The Slavery Question In The Old South by Lacy K. Ford
This is a good book that shows how complex and complicated the issue of slavery was for both the North and the South though it focuses on the South. It is a large book that does a good job of being objective in its approach. You can get it through Amazon.

John Jasper: The Unmatched Black Philosopher and Preacher by William E. Hatcher - Sprinkle Publications. Great account of a "Slave Preacher".

Reconstruction:

The Tragic Era by Claude Bowers

A must read for all Southerners. I think you can get one thru Amazon.