## **Assignments Subject to Change**

Week	In Class	Assignment
Q4 W1	Saving Leonardo: Nihilism	Read Saving Leonardo, p. 213-248
Q4 W2	Saving Leonardo: Movies	Read Saving Leonardo, p. 249-272
	Unlikely Convert	Unlikely Convert, p. 1-64
	Introduce The Reason For God	<b>Due Mon/Tues:</b> Two Discussion questions from each reading.
Q4 W3	The Reason for God: Doubting your doubts	Read The Reason For God, Introduction and ch. 1
	Unlikely Convert	Unlikely Convert, p. 65-130
Q4 W4	The Reason for God: Objections to the faith	Read The Reason For God, ch. 2-3
		Unlikely Convert, p. 131-148
		<b>Due Mon/Tues:</b> Two discussion questions from each reading.
Q4 W5	The Reason for God: Objections to the faith	Read The Reason For God, ch. 4-5
	Introduce The Tipping Point	The Tipping Point, Introduction and ch. 1
Q4 W6	The Reason for God: Objections to the faith	Read The Reason For God, ch. 6-7
	The Tipping Point: Epidemics	The Tipping Point, ch. 2-4
		<b>Due Mon/Tues:</b> Two discussion questions from each reading.
Q4 W7	The Reason for God: Reasons for faith	Read The Reason For God, ch. 8-9 The Tipping Point, ch. 5-7
	The Tipping Point: Power of Context	Due Mon/Tues: Two discussion questions
		from each reading.
Q4 W8	The Reason for God: Reasons for Faith	Read The Reason For God, ch. 10-11 The Tipping Point, ch. 8-afterword
	The Tipping Point: Case Studies	

<sup>\*</sup>Questions Derived from

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## **Week 3 Questions**

The Reason for God

1. What is the author's view of doubt in believers? In Unbelievers?

## **Week 5 Questions**

The Reason for God

- "Alister McGrath points out that when the idea of God is gone, a society will 'transcendentalize' something else, some other concept, in order to appear morally and spiritually superior" [p. 55]. What are some of things transcendentalized by our pluralistic, busy, postmodern consumer culture?
- 2. How should the biblical teaching that Jesus saves us by grace affect the way we view others, and treat them? [59-60]. How does Keller's discussion of Sommerville's example of the mugging highlight what our motivation for helping people should be? [p. 60-61]. To what extent should Christians help people because they might be get saved as a result?
- 3. Keller appeals to C. S. Lewis to show that magic and science grow from the same impulse, and that modernity, of which we are inescapably a part, was "born in 'dreams of power'" [pp. 70-71]. What is the significance of these ideas? Is this usually how people tend to think of science and modernity?