Books Every Man Should Have to Lead His Home

Before getting to the book list itself, I should give a brief word on my thought process. There are three guiding principles behind this list. First, God's Word is the ultimate standard for all things. Men cannot lead their homes well apart from a robust understanding of God's Word and what it says about Him, us, and life in His world. Second, I mean these books to cover the whole of the Christian life. And third, I chose books that were accessible. In several cases, there are better books out there on the subject, but I meant to choose books that balance sound doctrine, readability, and availability.

1. ESV Study Bible
2. Knowable Word, Peter Kroll (how to study the Bible)
3. Promises Made and Promises Kept, Mark Dever (book by book biblical overview)
4. The Biggest Story, Kevin DeYoung (message of the Bible)
5. Systematic Theology, Wayne Grudem (basic Bible doctrine)
6. In the Year of Our Lord, Sinclair Ferguson (Church history)
7. What Is the Gospel?, Greg Gilbert (the gospel)
8. What Is a Healthy Church, Mark Dever (ecclesiology)
9. Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life, Donald Whitney (spiritual disciplines)
10. Holiness, J.C. Ryle or Future Grace, John Piper or The Hole in our Holiness, Kevin DeYoung (growing in holiness)
11. How Now Shall We Live?, Charles Colson (biblical worldview)
12. The Masculine Mandate, Richard Phillips (manhood)
13. Disciplines of a Godly Woman, Barbara Hughes
14. Love that Lasts by Gary and Betsy Recussi (marriage)
15. Shepherding a Child's Heart, Tedd Tripp or Parenting with Loving Correction, Sam Crabtree (parenting)
16. A Neglected Grace: Family Worship in the Christian Home, Jason Helopoulos (family worship)
17. Every Good Endeavor, Tim Keller or The Gospel at Work, Sebastian Traeger and Greg D. Gilbert (work)
18. A Baptist Catechism, John Piper or the 1689 Baptist Confession (basics of Baptist theology)