DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE

Southern Baptists are blessed with several entities that generate literature for the local church. Now, more than ever, Southern Baptists have a wide array of resources from which to study and teach. Churches are wise to follow the guidance of one of our great leaders through the years, Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, in selecting literature. In one of his works, *The Churchbook*, he wrote: "The Bible, of course, is the essential textbook of every class…" He goes on to observe, "The Scriptures must be 'divided aright'." That's where the curriculum resources come in. Guides in the selection of curriculum include:

- Is it biblically sound?
- Does it honor historic Baptist doctrines?
- Does it employ sound educational methodology?
- Is it relevant?
- Is it balanced with evangelism and discipleship context?
- Does it magnify the Great Commission of Matthew 28:19-20?

Respectfully submitted,