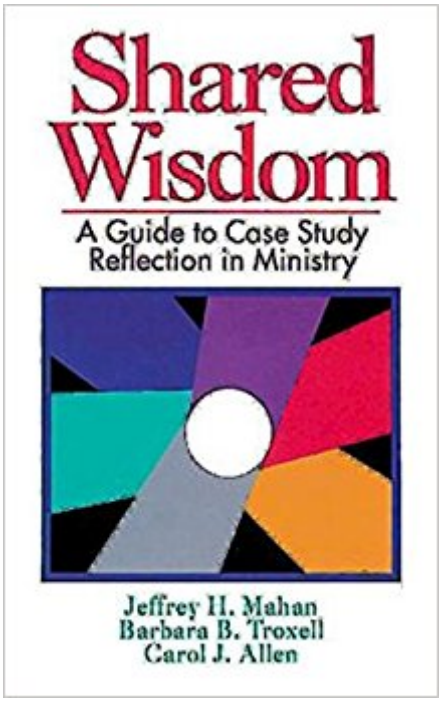
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Synopsis

Three authors well-acquainted in the area of field education evaluate events in ministry using case-study analysis. They outline the case process--preparing, presenting, and discussing a case--andÃ Â analyze the implications of the process. Each chapter offers a biblical image which connects the case process with the dynamic Christian tradition. Readers will learn techniques for writing case studies and will come to understand how to use imagination and analogy to provoke theological reflection.

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Ministry is enriched when its practitioners are involved in a serious process of peer reflection on their ministry. Case study, the method advocate here, is one significant way for such reflection to take place. Readers will learn techniques for writing case studies and how to use imagination ad analogy to provoke theological reflection.

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This is an excellent book. It gives a very good outline of how to reflect, share, document, and clarify case studies within a professional setting of the ministry. It provides a 5-step guide for the actual writing of the case. This is a very informative book, easy to read and use.

This is a good method. I thing groups would benefit from this type of case study methodology. I think the book is too long, and could have been simplified, but it is still very helpful.

Interesting read. Instructional read. Allen and Mahan got it right with this text. It may even benefit seasoned clergy persons.

Mahan’s book is a basic discussion and outline for ministry workers trying to discuss case studies in their work. Mahan gives a good step by step process for those presenting, facilitating, and critiquing each other in ministry case studies.I used this book and the process in a doctoral level class and we found it to be helpful--more helpful than discussing our various cases.

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My book club and I will love reading this book. Thanks for sending it in a timely manner.

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