Bible Study Tools

2019 Version

The only living and true God, the LORD Jehovah of the Bible, chose to reveal Himself and His will for us by a written revelation.

- 1 Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest?
- 2 For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.

Isaiah 66:1-2

We will examine Bible study tools, but without the Eternal and Creator God in us and with us, we shall not understand scripture or be fruitful.

The difference between Saul and David is very great.

- 13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.
- 14 But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him.

I Samuel 16:13-14

But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,

Acts 7:55

For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.

Acts 11:24

Therefore, let us beg God for His Spirit as Paul wrote.

- 17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
- 18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened.... Ephesians 1:17-18

- 18 For through him we both have <u>access by one Spirit unto</u> the Father....
- 22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

Ephesians 2:18-22

- 16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;...
- 19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

Ephesians 3:14-19

And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

Ephesians 4:30

And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but <u>be filled</u> with the Spirit;

Ephesians 5:18

- 17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:
- 18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

Ephesians 6:17-18

God must open our eyes to see the glorious truth of His written revelation.

Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.

At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.

Matthew 11:25

But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.

Matthew 13:16

Our 75-page hermeneutics study has a warning about the crucial need for personal spiritual qualifications.

https://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/personal-qualifications-only.pdf

WARNING

Do not neglect or underestimate this section. The Bible is a spiritual book, written by the eternal Spirit, Who demands we use it on His terms. While the flesh, the world, Satan, and most Bible students ignore or despise these points, they are more important than any rules of hermeneutics. Young man, crush your impatience, and wait upon the Lord for the liberal wisdom and understanding that only He can give (Psalm 119:18).

May God bless you!

Your attitude approaching God's word is incredibly important or the Bible will be a closed book to you.

To be like David, the man after God's heart, you must love His words!

O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day. Psalm 119:97

I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love.

Thou puttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.

Therefore <u>I love thy commandments above gold;</u> yea, above fine gold.

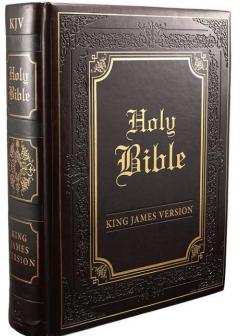
Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy lovingkindness.

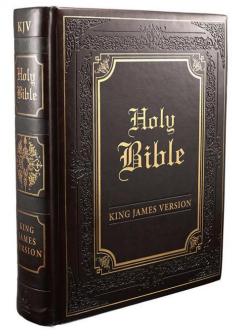
I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love.

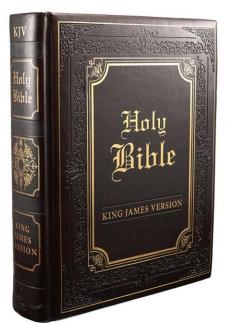
Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them.

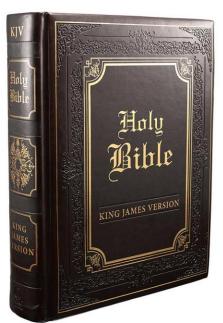
My soul hath kept thy testimonies; and <u>I love them</u> exceedingly.













More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.

The LORD God our Father gave us a divine library with 66 volumes in it, but we need three things to learn.





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66 Books
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783, 137 Occurrences

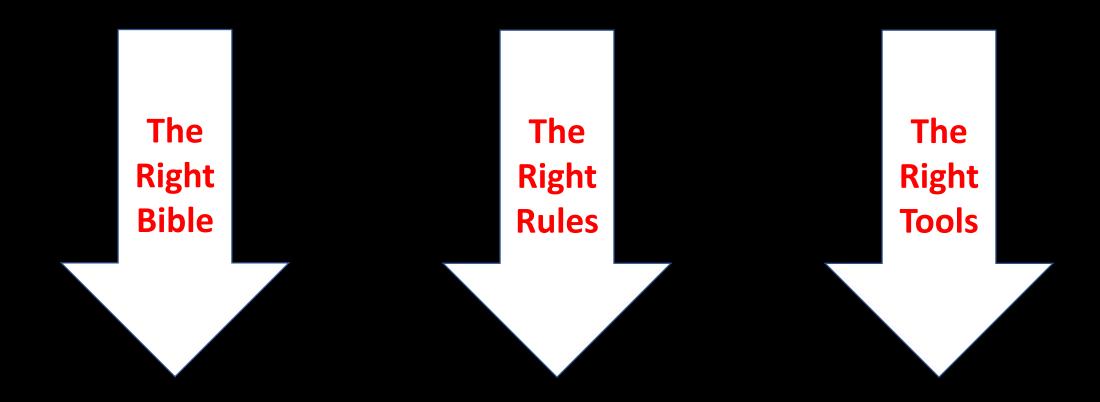
Three Necessities to Learn Truth

The right library – the right Bible – KJV.

The right rules of hermeneutics – HERE.

The right tools and how to use – NEXT.

God's Inspired Holy Scripture



You Learn Truth to Be Wise like Elihu and David

What Hath God Wrought!

We prove the KJV spiritually, scripturally.

Our summary of rules is second to none.

The useful tools next are second to none.

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And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.

Luke 4:4

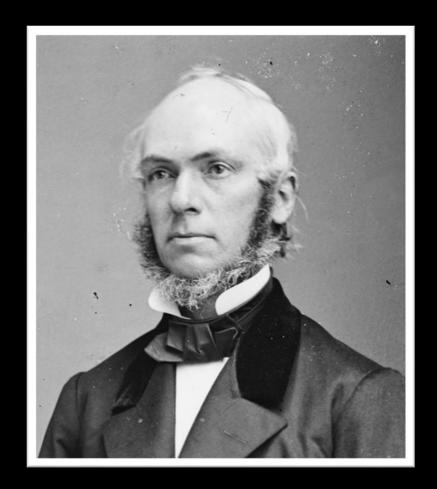
Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

I Corinthians 2:13

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- 1. Find all occurrences for the Spirit's usage.
- 2. Find a verse since you know a word in it.
- 3. Find related verses having the same word.
- 4. Find different meanings of the same word.
- 5. Find other names for the same person, etc.

God used James Strong to give us an exhaustive concordance with helps.



James Strong 1822 - 1894

UPDATED EDITION

STRONG'S EXHAUSTIVE CONCORDANCE THE BIBLE



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INDISPENSABLE
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- Quickly find your place with clear edge-tab indexing

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Acts 8:32

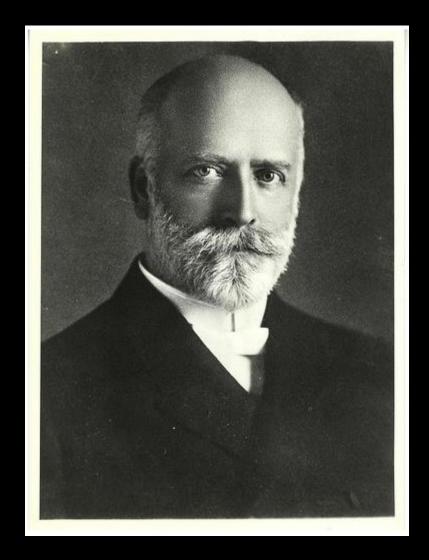
When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Matthew 24:15

We then study VERSES.

- 1. You want to know the meaning of a verse.
- 2. Your family or a friend asks about a verse.
- 3. You want to correct the abuse of a verse.
- 4. You want to teach a verse's full meaning.

God used R.A. Torrey for a huge cross-reference Bible to study verses.



R. A. Torrey 1856 - 1928

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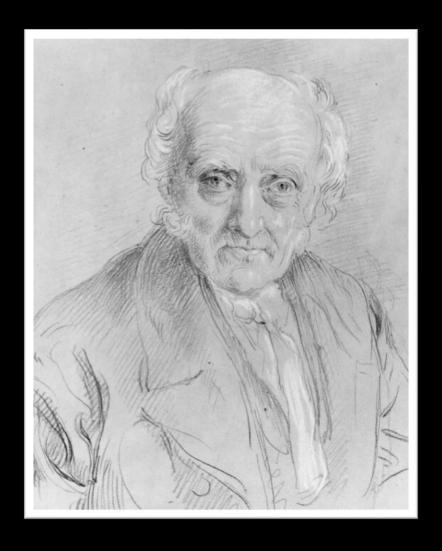
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R.A.TORREY

R.A. Torrey did not compile the TSK. He found it and strongly promoted it. Samuel Bagster compiled it in 1830.

http://scriptoriumdaily.com/what-was-the-treasury-of-scripture-knowledge/



Samuel Bagster the Elder 1772 - 1851

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http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/bible-study-tools-word.pdf

Your pastor values the TSK the most useful study tool of all, for it is God's own commentary.

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We then study **TOPICS**.

So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

Nehemiah 8:8

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, <u>rightly dividing</u> the word of truth.

II Timothy 2:15

- 1 Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth?
- 2 For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband.

Romans 7:1-2

Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;

Hebrews 8:1-2

We then study TOPICS.

- 1. The sound of words is inferior to their sense.
- 2. We want to understand the scripture's intent.
- 3. We want gather all written about a subject.
- 4. The Bible is not a book of sound bite verses.
- 5. Topics will often use many words and verses.

God used Chaplain O.J.
Naves for a Bible topical
index with search helps.



Major Orville James Nave 1841 - 1917

Topical Bible

A comprehensive digest of over 20,000 topics and sub-topics with more than 100,000 associated Scripture references

Orville J. Nave

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This link is a fun study tool to learn Nave's Topical Bible to lookup topics.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/bible-study-tools-word.pdf

Thank you, blessed God and Father!

Review this material and drills until you fully grasp words, verses, or topics.

Review this material and drills until you fully grasp 3 tools for 3 needs.

Consider that these three men:

James Strong
Samuel Bagster
Orville Nave

did not have any of our conveniences or tools, but labored with quill pens and candles to give us their labors.

Before these three men:

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pastors and Bible students had very inferior tools, yet gave themselves to laborious study with what they had.

Before these three men:

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martyrs gave their lives with few or no tools and many had only portions of scripture, not our complete Bibles.

Blessing!

The first tier of tools has Bible matter without bias.

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You have learned three ways to approach Bible study:

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Verses

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and these ways do not change when using books, computers, or phones.

This link has fun drills to test your ability to use the basic three tools.

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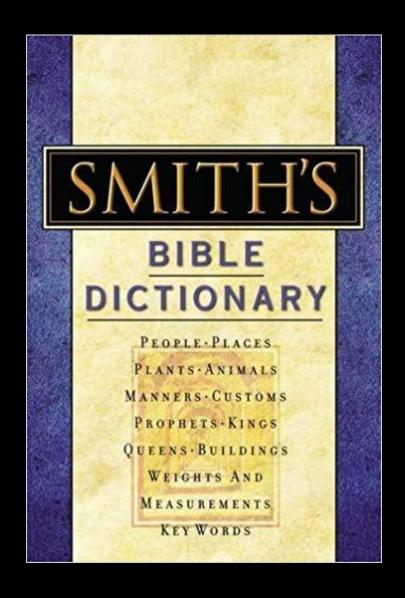
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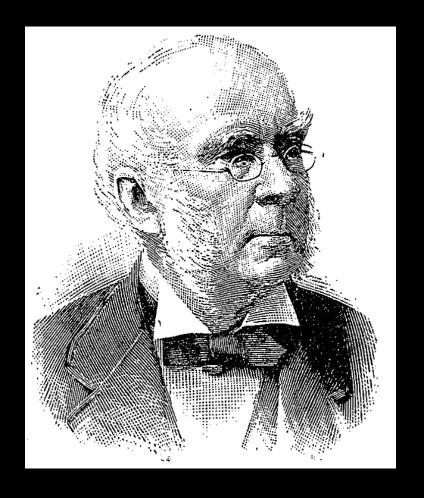
and there is a second tier of tools to study the Bible deeper this way.

Warning!

The second tier of tools has very much human bias.

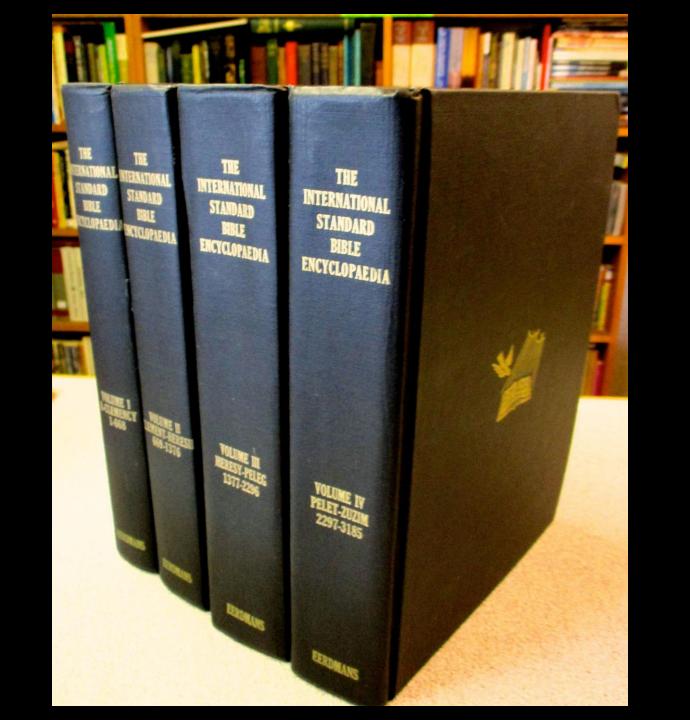
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Sir William Smith 1813 - 1893

There are many Bible dictionaries from simple and small ones like Smith's to the massive ISBE.



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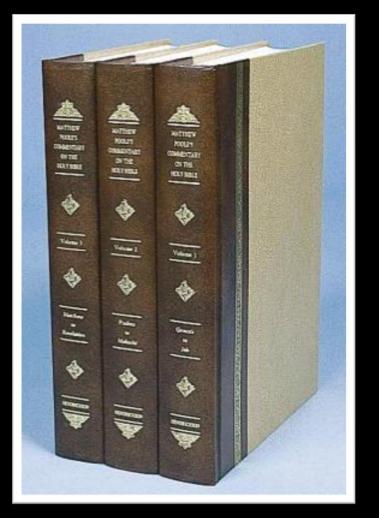
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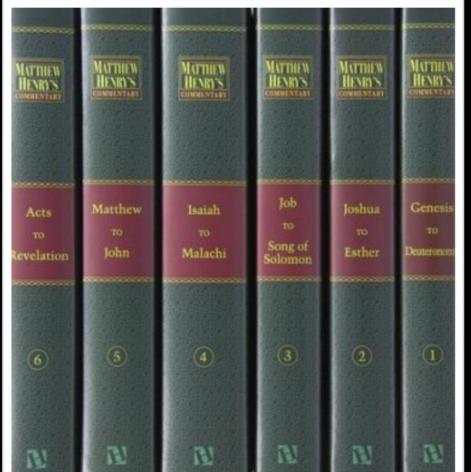
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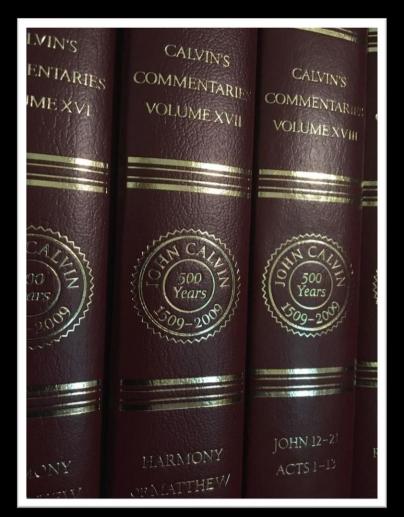
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Commentaries are like having an aged, esteemed pastor living in your home, who dedicates all his time to you only, explaining any <u>passage</u> you ask about.

Bible commentaries each have nuances to be learned to best use them.

<u>Poole</u> is organized by verses and gives a short, sound explanation to phrases in a verse.

Henry is organized by section and gives a long, spiritual explanation for that section.

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<u>Barnes</u> often lists the various opinions of a text by name of author with his approval or criticism.

<u>Clarke</u> is an Arminian but fearless to stand for incarnate sonship, Hebrews before 70 A.D., etc.

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Gill is a high Calvinist Baptist (good) but too wordy and wastes much time with Jewish rabbis.

<u>Trapp</u> is creative and wildly graphic with his pithy remarks but fails to analyze the text like others.

If you would like to read Spurgeon's ranking of commentaries:

http://www.romans45.org/spurgeon/misc/c&cl1.htm

Shortcuts for Commentaries

Fast answers for individual verses: **Poole**, then **Barnes**

For spiritual study of a passage of scripture: Henry

For a sober analysis between the above: Calvin

For a Baptist and Calvinist interpretation: Gill

For a fearless, provocative Arminian: Clarke

For Psalms: Treasury of David (Spurgeon)

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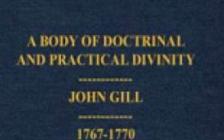
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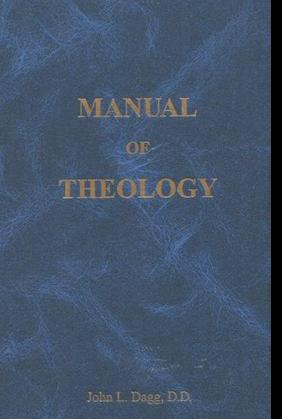
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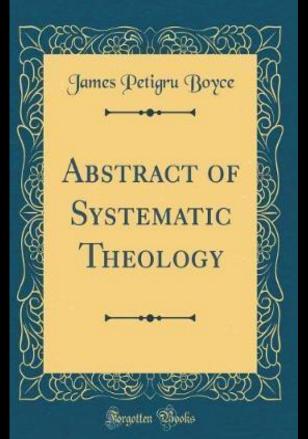
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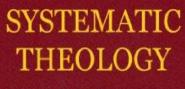
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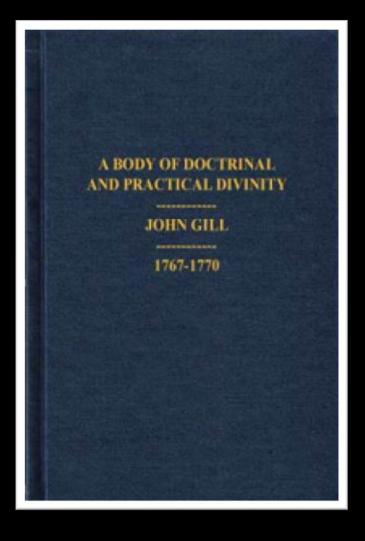


Systematic theologies, like professional handbooks, are helpful by collating Bible evidence by topic and indexing it.

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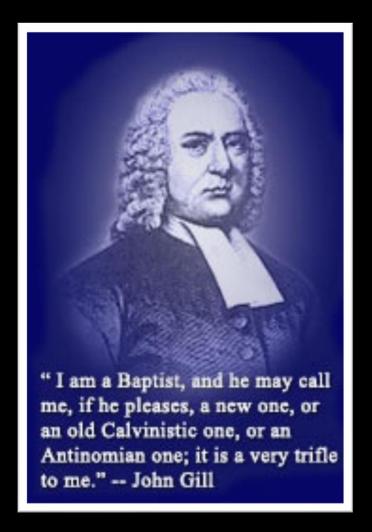
There are many systematic theologies, and you want to stick to those compatible with your beliefs e.g. Baptist, Calvinist, etc.

The best systematic theology for sovereign grace Baptists is John Gill's, which he did at the end of his life.



John Gill

1697-1771



Six Study Tools

- 1. God blessed men with talent to write them.
- 2. Those men worked diligently to finish them.
- 3. The combined tools help us do much easily.
- 4. Combing the books back and forth is tedious.
- 5. God has chosen to bless us above all others.

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http://onlinebible.net/

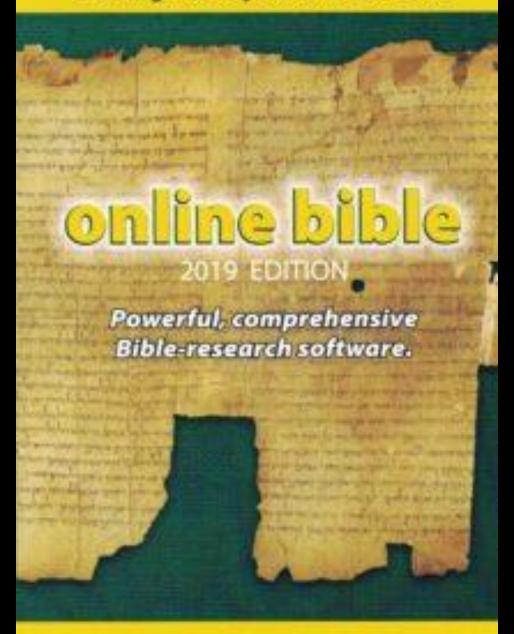
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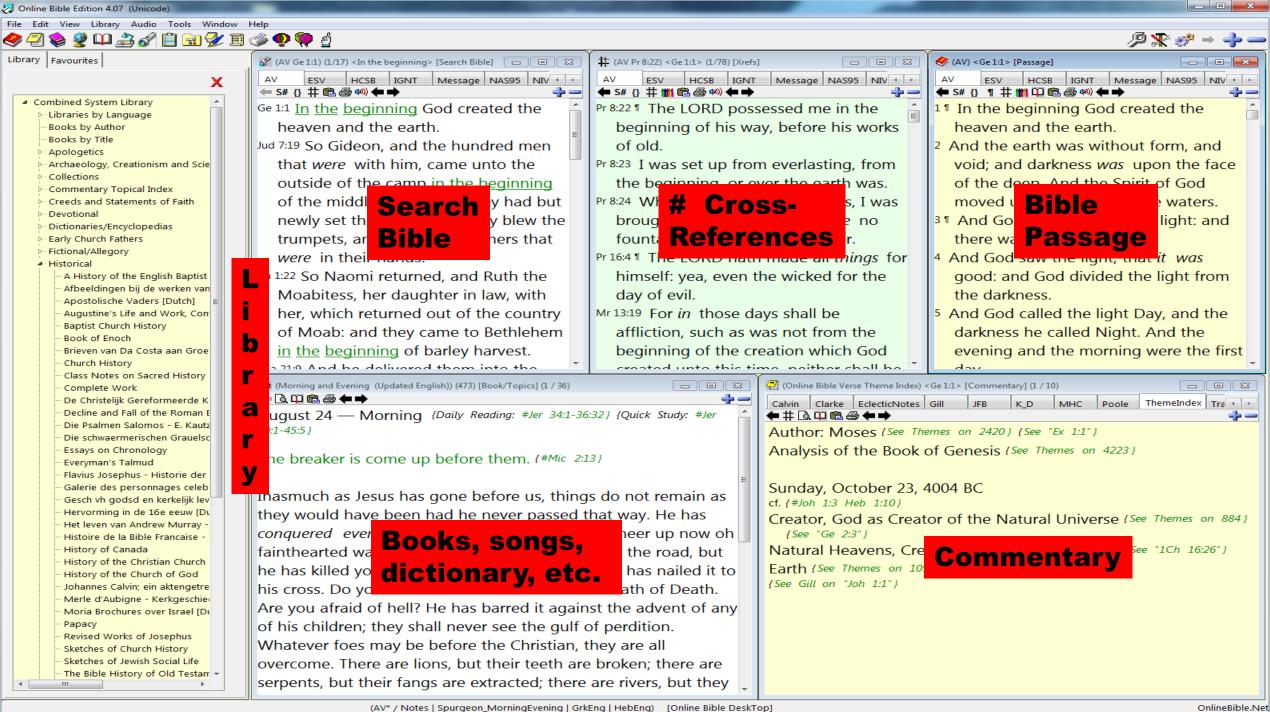
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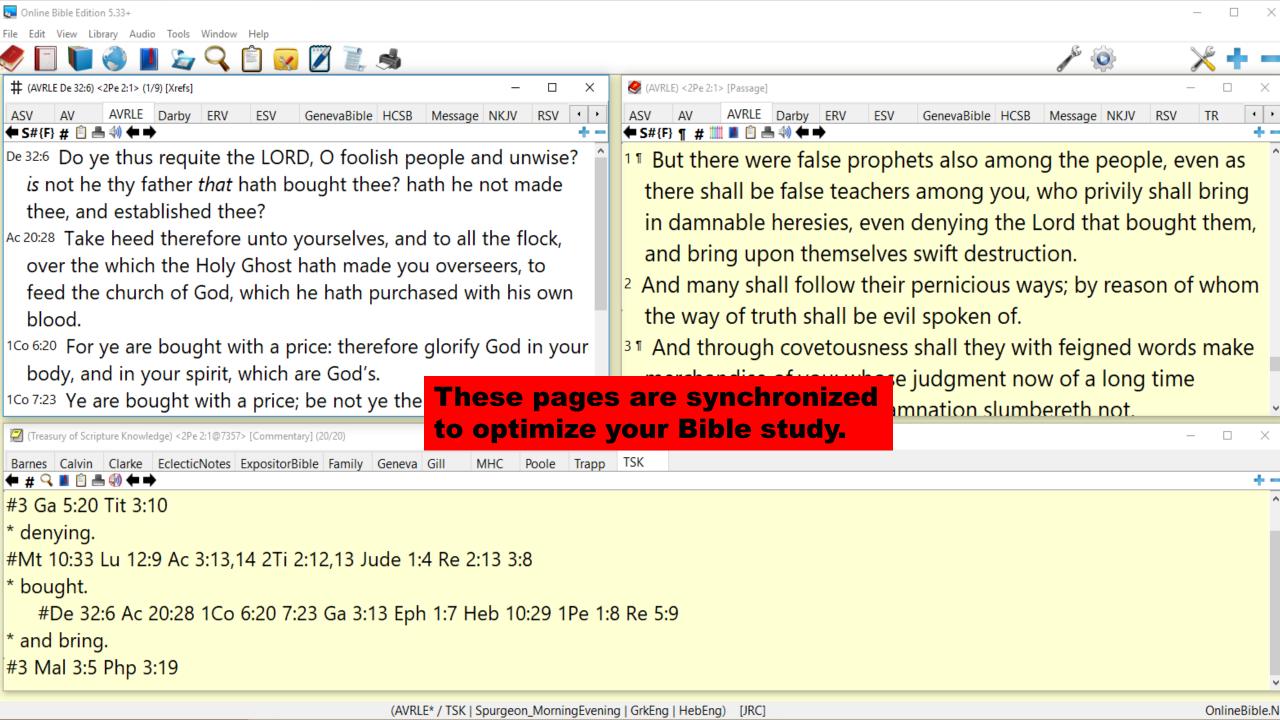
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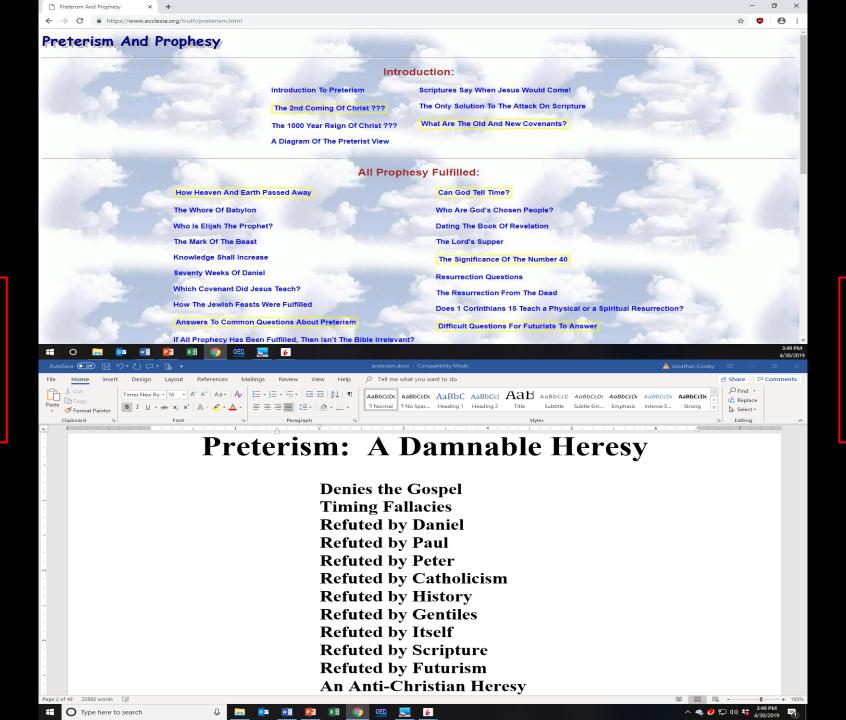
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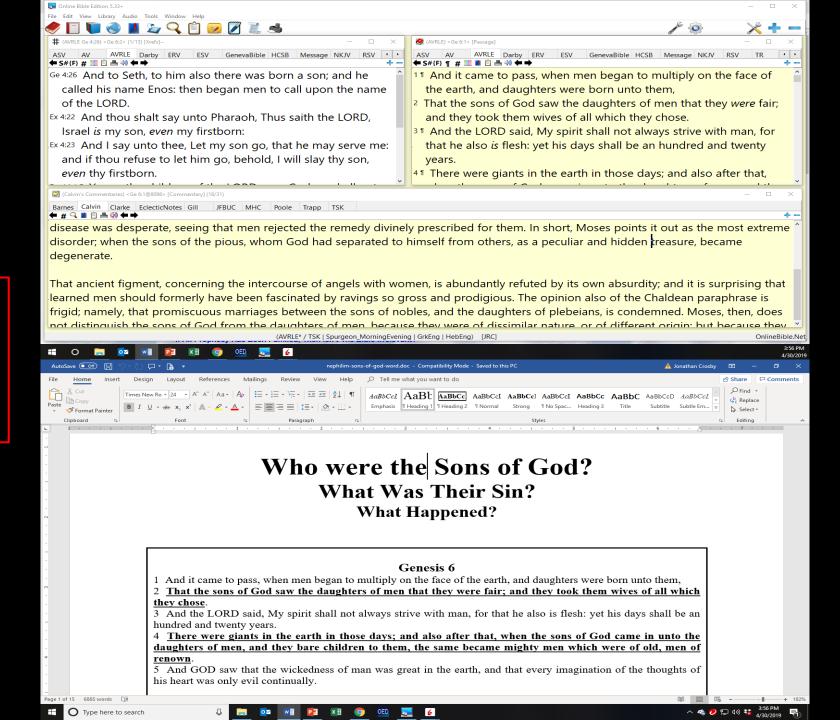
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Here is online research to refute full Preterism!

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side by side!



Here is the Online Bible to crush the Nephilim!

Thank you, blessed God and Father!

There is another option ... all six tools are free online for a simple Google search.

Find your favorite site for each tool, bookmark it as a favorite, and enjoy.

It is 2019 and most everyone has a smartphone.

You can have all six tools on your smartphone for instant use anywhere at anytime.

Blessing!

After the six basic tools, there are special tools for deeper, faster Bible study.

These further tools use computers heavily to maximize their benefit and value in the easiest and fastest way possible.

Men used to books and fearful or resentful of change will lose, as an accounting manager I once observed, when manual ledgers disappeared.

I grew up with books. I started my ministry with books. I accumulated a fine library. But God had prepared me to change by introducing me to computers in banking and online trading to love technology.

Thank you, blessed God and Father!

Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake.

Psalm 115:1

Information Explosion!

There are now an unlimited number of books, but energy is very limited.

This combination discourages men and hinders truth.

And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.

Ecclesiastes 12:12

- 6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
- 7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

II Timothy 3:6-7

Information Explosion!

There is now more information on every subject than ever before, but there is less truth on every side!

We must have tools to filter all the information and find answers quickly.

I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.

Proverbs 8:12

The Internet instantly connects you to all published information ... with powerful search tools to find what you seek.

Technology is a gift from God, like printed Bibles and tape recorders.

The world uses it for lies and porn, but we use it for truth and wisdom.

Information on the Internet or printed in a book does not prove it to be truth.

Like reading Britannica, a commentary, or a dictionary in the past, all must be tried by the Bible and other tests.

The next tools were slowly learned over 40 years of Bible study.

The next tools are ranked about where they belong in value.

SBST #1 ... Church Website

God providentially gave you a website where much interpretation, compilation, and reduction has been done for you by a pastor God sent specially for you. Explore it, and learn to use its search function well.

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SBST #1 ... LetGodBeTrue Website (1)

• God prepared pastors to teach His word (see #10 here; here, here).

God providentially gave you your pastor knowing all your needs.

• His teaching is in sermons, outlines, docs, commentaries, FAQ, etc.

The church website by JMJ allows you access to search all his files.

Explore it; learn to use it well; return often for truth God sent you.

SBST #1 ... LetGodBeTrue Website (2)

• Many documents are best on the web in clarity and thoroughness.

When accessing our documents, remember many links at the end.

The worldview God gave us will not be reflected very many places.

For ease of use and a concise, direct approach, use your pastor.

You should teach your children the ins and outs of the whole site.

SBST #1 ... LetGodBeTrue Website (1)

Use FAQ to find five examples of men compromising details.

What is the fastest way to find a document about tongues?

Where is material to help a person know more about baptism?

When was the sermon series preached about 70 A.D.?

• I loved your top text about Joab. Do you have related sermons?

SBST #1 ... LetGodBeTrue ... Best on the Web (1)

Proverbs Commentary

Preterism Refutation

Ecclesiastes Commentary

Sabbatarian Refutation

Hebrews Commentary

Nephilim Refutation

Christian Liberty Details

Government & Taxation

Christian Ethics

Sonship & Bibliography (2)

Instruments in N.T. Church

Refutation of Psalmody

God Author of Confusion

Reasons Against Christmas

Marriage Covenant

Rate-a-Date for Marriage

Wine and Strong Drink

Alexander the Great

SBST #1 ... LetGodBeTrue ... Best on the Web (2)

Book of Bible Prophecy

Unconditional Salvation

Five Phases of Salvation

Calvinism & Arminianism

Making Sense of Daniel

Baptism Documents

Witness of 70 A.D.

Attributes of God

Church Discipline

Bible/Spirit Defense of KJV

One-Word Arguments

New King James Exposed

Bible Hermeneutics

Ahaziah's Age Discrepancy

Exposition of I & II Peter

He Is Altogether Lovely

What Is a Church?

Christian Charity

SBST #2 ... Bible Handbooks

These single-volume works cover all aspects of the Bible at a superficial but easy-to-read and understand level for all. For those new to the Bible, they start here.

SBST #2 ... Bible Handbooks

This entry for a tool may seem totally out of place, and it may be.

Bible handbooks may belong somewhere among our first six tools.

Since we did not squeeze them into commentaries, they are here.

• They are a handy, quick, elementary guide to the whole Bible.

• For quick info about the books of Habakkuk or Philemon, go here.

SBST #3 ... Google Searches

Most published information is now found online, so a well-worded Google search will analyze, weight, and rank documents dealing with your question. This is a secret and speedy tool or trick. Learn to use it.

SBST #3 ... Google Searches (1)

All published information is now at your fingertips for answers.

Pastors and authors publish books, blogs, websites, videos, etc.

Google uses algorithms and artificial intelligence to help you hunt.

They identify relevancy, density, popularity, among other factors.

Ask Google any Bible question, and it will give you instant answers.

SBST #3 ... Google Searches (2)

Looking ahead in tools ... do you know about Google Books (#5)?

If you can figure out what you truly need in a question, you got it!

Instantly ... news, docs, images, maps, videos, sermons, books, etc.

People around the earth find our documents each and every day.

• Fathers should teach their children how to use Google proficiently.

SBST #3 ... Google Searches (1)

- A professor criticizes the KJV about I John 5:7. Search for I John 5:7 ... then defense of I John 5:7 ... then Johannine Comma ... etc.
- You are confronted with a book. Read reviews. Check its author. Search online contents. Ask questions about it or its author.
- You wish to compare versions. Search Bible versions compared, and you will get sites like this or this, without buying a false Bible.
- You want to learn about the Maccabees. Wikipedia will show you.

SBST #3 ... Google Searches (2)

- Forty years confuses you in II Samuel 15:7. Avoid using references, but search for 40 years of Absalom. What do you see?
- I want to find Baptist confessions of faith. Search for Baptist confessions and vary your question as you assess the results.
- <u>Do I have to buy the works of John Gill</u>? *Never. Search for the works of John Gill online.*
- Are there other worldviews? Yes, limited search for worldviews.

SBST #3 ... Google Searches (3)

• You want to see inside St. Peters. Search for online or virtual tour.

• Maps, timelines, harmonies, etc. Ask carefully, and you will find.

• Are there books like Pink's, Sovereignty? Search "books like" ...

• I could use a debate of Jehovah vs. Yahweh. Easy. Search it. Videos.

What do preterists believe with variations? Search and refine.

SBST #3 ... Google Searches (4)

• I want to see the Hebrew of Ps 3:3. Grab a Masoretic interlinear.

• What are the three horns plucked up. Ask carefully; you will find.

• How did you find Porn Flakes? SDA ... vegetarian ... breakfast ...

You need to know a pastor or church's doctrine. Easy, go, faster!

• How did you compile a long list of high Calvinists? Google Search.

Google can find anything you want; refine search words based on results.

Google and YouTube will help doing your brakes ... it can also find truth.

SBST #4 ... Wikipedia

An encyclopedia was once all knowledge organized in a set of books. They were fine investments e.g. Britannica or World Book. Now they and this one are online. This one updated and with linked references.

SBST #4 ... Wikipedia

• Who is Jacob Arminius? When did he live? What about Pelagius?

What was Spurgeon's Metropolitan Tabernacle? When? Where?

It is actually best for heresies and isms to know your enemy better.

• This modern, cool tool has hot links in articles for cross-reference.

• It also has "See also," "Notes," "References," and "External Links."

SBST #5 ... Topical Books

Similar to commentaries or theologies, they are not named or known as such but go deeply into passages or doctrine e.g. Mauro on 70 weeks, Owens on atonement, Pink on Sovereignty, Woodrow on prophecy, etc.

SBST #5 ... Topical Books

I have shrunk my library by 90% over time due to far better tools.

• Even books out of print can be pulled from Google Books (here).

• General books e.g. Works of Jonathan Edwards are inefficient.

• They take a different role ... devotional, meditative ... not research.

But if you trust the author as being a good source, see tool #7!!!

SBST #6 ... Acid Tests

To quickly gauge value of a work, there are verses or doctrines to check, which can quickly prove a source good or not. As Baptists, we know baptism is one.

This tool weeds out the blind.

SBST #6 ... Acid Tests (1)

• Prophecy: Start, end 70 wks; Daniel 7's little horn; man of sin; etc.

• Ecclesiology: Baptist, baptism-membership, I Cor 12:12-27; II Tim 2:2.

• Theology: Trinitarian, sonship, sovereignty, adoration, relational ...

• <u>Salvation</u>: *Total depravity, imputation, monergistic regeneration ...*

• Practice: Divorce, civil rulers, ethics, liberty, pilgrims, holidays, etc.

SBST #6 ... Acid Tests (2)

• Super Test: Start and end 70 wks in Dan 9:24-27; must have both.

• Super Test: "Lose your salvation" in Hebrews 6:4-6 and 10:26-31.

• Super Test: Who are the persons in Prov 8:22-31 and in Prov 30:4?

• Super Test: Was Vashti justified defying her husband and king?

Super Test: Both – what are Solomon's Song and Ecclesiastes for?

SBST #7 ... General Books

Some very gifted men spent much time in scripture but did not write theologies or commentaries. Their general works had a different role and were quite inefficient for research and study ... until now.

SBST #7 ... General Books

I have shrunk my library by 90% over time due to far better tools.

• Even books out of print can be pulled from Google Books (here).

General books e.g. Works of Jonathan Edwards can be searched!

His detailed analysis and sober approach may help with Ahaziah.

To purse this incredible tool further ... go here and here and here.

SBST #8 ... Book Reviews

If you consider a book to buy, you may easily get other opinions of it by reading book reviews. This tool will also help you easily answer books presented to you.

This tool was introduced in tool #3.

SBST #8 ... Book Reviews

Recall Solomon's warning ... primarily for us ... about many books.

Wise men use tools to reduce energy and time to do more. Think!

• General reviews help a little, but you can ask specific questions.

Consider Google your first tool to search reviews from your angle.

Or you can use Amazon to search reviews of buyers at the bottom.

SBST #9 ... Checking Sources

You may need to check out a church, book, video, song, ministry, website, blog, etc. Identify the author or pastor, find out schooling, sponsorship, endorsements, jobs, other known works, and so forth.

SBST #9 ... Checking Sources

• The goal here is to quickly discover any heresy bias of the person.

Rather than read a book about Psalms ... check out the author.

Dallas Theological or Puritan? Pastorates for Baptists or Anglicans?

With practice, you can know bias and specific questions to search.

Sometimes this will take only two minutes reading the back jacket.

SBST #10 ... Bibliographies

Since we included topical books as a tool, when you find a good book on a subject, check its bibliography; it will list other sources for integrity and credibility.

This tool expands your sources.

SBST #10 ... Bibliographies

We want more sources for more angles and details for the truth.

• We want more sources for more integrity (Pr 24:6; II Co 13:1; II Pe 1:20).

• We want more sources for more credibility with those needing it.

• Example: Woodrow's for historicism; Mauro's for Farquharson.

Example: our bibliography from bibliographies for true sonship.

SBST #11 ... Chronologies

This tool reconciles all internal, dated Bible events to create a Bible timeline of events to compare to human history. It resolves various study difficulties. Anstey, Mauro, Floyd Nolen Jones, Moorman are best.

SBST #11 ... Chronologies

Anstey is best for its lengthy details and charts, but it has errors.

Mauro corrects one error; Jones another but then adds one of his.

Men dealing with every dated event can resolve Ahaziah, etc., etc.

Most Bibles and Christians follow Ussher (1581-1656) and Ptolemy.

While the books look nice, you can find their results via Google.

SBST #12 ... Bible Difficulties

This tool solves apparent contradictions.

Authors vary from Bible-believing to highly critical of the text. Read them carefully.

Ruckman and Haley are possibilities for numbers, Gill wrote one for doctrine.

SBST #12 ... Bible Difficulties

The King James Bible has some apparent contradictions to answer.

Most commentators are textual critics and will alter the holy text.

Believing Bible study is very crucial ... God gets benefit of doubts.

We assume the KJV correct ... it is our job to find reconciliations.

• This is where we remember God is the Author of Confusion (here).

SBST #13 ... Other Versions

Other English, Hebrew, and Greek versions are helpful to show the great confusion on verses like I Sam 13:1; II Sam 21:19; I Pet 3:21; I John 5:7. You must be able to break opponents' so-called Bibles (John 10:35).

SBST #13 ... Other Versions

This tool helps us show the error of those hiding behind versions.

This tool helps build and confirm faith that the KJV is superior.

• This is also where we know God is the Author of Confusion (here).

You need not collect Bibles – these sites will do ... <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>.

Most any Bible can be found by Google with search function of it.

SBST #14 ... Google Translate

This tool gives you the ability to translate Bibles or other works in foreign languages. You can check foreign Bibles this way. Not only do you have the tool of tongues for research but also for responding.

SBST #14 ... Google Translate

What if a contact asks you about the integrity of a Russian Bible!

• Get the foreign Bible version, copy the text, and translate it (here).

• In our international world and with our worldwide site, it happens.

Foreign languages waste mind and time, so Google Translate it!

• Men have spread abroad since Babel, and God gave us this tool.

SBST #15 ... Figures of Speech

The Bible is absolutely true, but it uses many figures of speech, likely more than all but esoteric writings. Bullinger's work has no peer for sheer volume, but online searches can often help find and list.

SBST #15 ... Figures of Speech

• Remember, this is not a study of hermeneutics, but rather of tools.

The first six tools, TSK and commentaries, will often reveal figures.

Yet, you can search the Bible for figures e.g. irony, hyperbole, etc...

You can also check a verse with a Google search e.g. Matt 19:24.

Good commentaries suggest many figures ... Google the figure!

SBST #16 ... Atlases and Maps

They help with geography, since the Bible names many places and describes trips between destinations. Any study of Paul's preaching trips will be enhanced by maps. Online searches will pull up a variety.

SBST #16 ... Atlases and Maps

An atlas is a collection of maps pertaining to a geographical area.

Most Bible chapters have places named; context includes where.

• Hermeneutics solves up/down; tools locate topographical maps.

A Google search gives options better than the back of your Bible.

Eden, Ur, Babylon, Nineveh, Moab, Philistia, Galilee, Nazareth, etc.

SBST #17 ... Josephus

He was a Pharisee and esteemed Jewish historian that wrote a history of the Jews. He described Jewish customs and rulers. His eyewitness account of Jerusalem's ruin in 70 A.D. is the best confirming testimony.

SBST #17 ... Josephus

• His works in printed form are cheap, but they are also online.

His works are in our website's reference section with directions.

• Both Woodrow and Mauro compare Matthew 24 to Josephus.

• Josephus also referenced John the Baptist, Jesus, and James.

He is a good source used by apologists, since he lived 37-100 A.D.

SBST #18 ... Histories

Fulfilled prophecy is one of the greatest proofs of the divine origin of the Bible. Some fulfillments are outside scripture, like Daniel chapters 7-12, where histories of Persia, Greece, and Rome will help.

SBST #18 ... Histories

Our Alexander the Great presentation (here) consulted many.

You can read or listen to Gibbon's, Rome, or use Google search.

• History of the Greek Empire after Alexander is key to Daniel 11.

To check on the 1260 years of Roman pain is done easily online.

• Histories help sort out the Herods; histories document 70 A.D.

SBST #19 ... Apocrypha

These uninspired books do contain information about the intertestamental period between Malachi and Matthew.

Only the books of the Maccabees provide much help.

SBST #19 ... Apocrypha

There is a gap between Malachi and Matthew with fulfillments.

I & II Maccabees help explain details of Daniel 8 and 11 ... exploits!

You do not need to read all of it ... go online to pinpoint where.

Fools criticize the KJV for inserting the apocrypha as uninspired.

The translators clearly identified it as mere supportive material.

SBST #20 ... English Dictionary

Instead of lexicons for Hebrew and Greek words, we can use an English dictionary for more precise definitions of KJV words. The OED is the standard and most detailed, but higher rules of hermeneutics keep it back.

SBST #20 ... English Dictionary

The KJV does use words that are somewhat archaic and obscure.

The OED is the most extensive and has many quotations of usage.

One Easter is bunnies and eggs, but it is also Passover in Acts 12:4.

Use it for emerod, enchant, necromancer, prognosticator, etc., etc.

Context determines which meaning. Use a Bible dictionary first.

SBST #21 ... Interlinear Bibles

These Bibles have one language directly under another language, line by line of Bible text. These are used most often to prove Hebrew or Greek pundits wrong. They also prove our regeneration verbs.

SBST #21 ... Interlinear Bibles

Since you do not have time to learn Hebrew or Greek, learn these.

You can use a Masoretic one for II Sam 21:19 to see its error there.

• They are easy by a Google search ... Masoretic Hebrew interlinear.

• We used one recently to expose a Rabbinical error in Psalm 3:3.

• John 5:24 and I John 5:1 in a Greek one will give some pleasure.

SBST #22 ... Lexicons

These are dictionaries in other languages, like Hebrew or Greek. Like an interlinear Bible, they are used to expose so-called Greek experts or bad translations. They are of little use, since we trust our KJV.

How can all the tools be kept in mind? By reason of use like many things.

A Few Drill Questions to pick Fastest Tool (1)

What did conservative commentators think about Nephilim?

What did other Baptist leaders think about baptism-membership?

You want to know what Preterism is ... you want to refute it?

Where is good apologetics information for college students?

What in the world is baptism for the dead in I Corinthians 15:29?

A Few Drill Questions to pick Fastest Tool (2)

• Should I trust C.S. Lewis, and if not, why not? He is so popular.

Were any good men on the committee with Westcott and Hort?

Does John 8:1-11 belong in the Bible? How can I demonstrate it?

Find your pastor's huge work with tables about Christian liberty.

What is the easiest way to give Pink's, Sovereignty to a man in NZ?

A Few Drill Questions to pick Fastest Tool (3)

• Did Jonathan Edwards deal with Ahaziah's age in his, Works?

How can I find Gilbert Beebe's essay about predestination?

Why the differences between the Confessions of 1644 and 1646?

Why do some reject Cyrus for Artaxerxes to start the 70 weeks?

How can I hear and watch MacArthur's, Strange Fire conference?

These special tools are best used online, for it is the easiest, fastest, and cheapest way to use them.

Ordinarily you will not need more than Online Bible with its six tools and our church website to study the Bible. The 22 Special Bible Study Tools are for other tasks as the three preceding pages of drills should show.

But if you intend to share your faith and defend against various isms and show proof for opponents, you may need the SBST tools for fast answers.

Thank you, blessed God and Father!

Never before could anyone instantly search the Bible and all other data to prove words of a preacher like now.

Acts 17:11

I Thess 5:21

Thank you, blessed God and Father!

A multitude of counselors increases safety, so the Internet can confirm or deny most matters from many angles.

Now you can carry all six tools in your pocket with a modern smartphone.

Your pastor is always with you, for your phone can also search his work.

Most or all of the special tools can also be found or marked on a phone.

Modern smartphones use Bible apps similar to a desktop computer Bible program, which means you can have the Bible and its study tools with you at all times.

We recommend from most basic and easiest to use to the best study app.

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YouVersion ... <a href="https://www.youversion.com/the-bible-app/">https://www.youversion.com/the-bible-app/</a>
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Olive Tree ... https://www.olivetree.com/bible-study-apps/

Online Bible ... https://onlinebible.com/olb-en

Or you can research the Internet and pick a Bible app you like better, but the lesson here is the six tools and special tools to maximize its value.

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camp: ¹¹ But it shall be, when evening cometh on, he shall wash *himself* with water: and when the sun is down, he shall come into the camp *again*.

12 Thou shalt have a place also without the camp, whither thou shalt go forth abroad:

weapon; and it shall be, when thou wilt ease thyself abroad, thou shalt dig therewith, and shalt turn back and cover that which cometh from thee: ¹⁴ For the LORD thy God walketh in the midst of thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thine enemies before thee; therefore shall thy camp be holy: that he see no unclean thing in thee, and turn away from thee.

the servant which is escaped from his master unto thee: ¹⁶ He shall dwell with thee, *even* among you, in that place which he shall choose in one of thy gates, where it liketh him best: thou shalt not oppress him.

17 There shall be no whore of the daughters of Israel, nor a sodomite of the sons of Israel. 18 Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or the price of a dog, into the house of the LORD thy God for any vow: for even both these *are* abomination unto the LORD thy God.

19 Thou shalt not lend upon usury to thy brother; usury of money, usury of victuals,

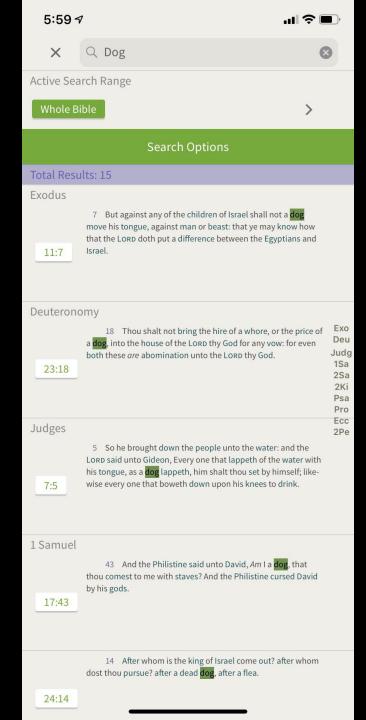
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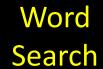


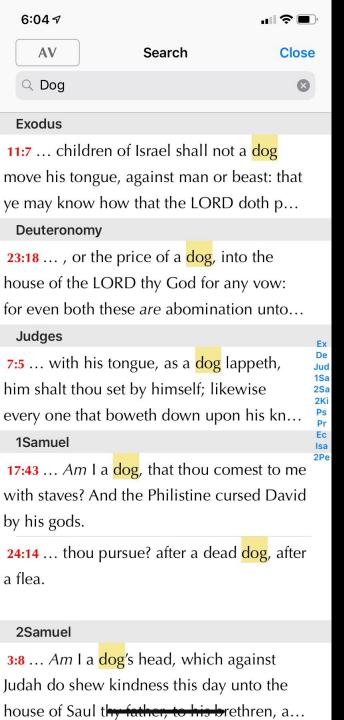
Deuteronomy 23:18

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- 19 Thou shalt not lend upon usury to thy brother; usury of money, usury of victuals, usury of any thing that is lent upon usury:
- 20 Unto a stranger thou mayest lend upon usury; but unto thy brother thou shalt not lend upon usury: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all that thou settest thine hand to in the land whither thou goest to possess it.
- 21 When thou shalt vow a vow unto the LORD thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee.
- 22 But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee.
- 23 That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform; even a freewill

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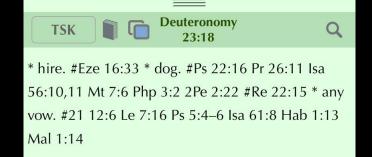
When thou shalt vow a vow unto the LORD thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee. ²² But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee. ²³ That which is gone out of thy lips thou



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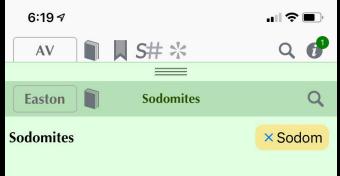
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(Isa 1:13), the convocation on the eighth day of the Feast of Tabernacles (Lev 23:36; Num 29:35, R.V., "solemn assembly;" marg., "closing festival"). It is the name given also to the convocation held on the seventh day of the Passover (Deut 16:8.

Solomon

peaceful, (Heb. Shelomoh), David's second son by Bathsheba, i.e., the first after their legal marriage (2 Sam. 12). He was probably born about B.C. 1035 (1 Chr 22 Deut 22:5 29:1. He succeeded his father on the throne in early manhood, probably about sixteen or eighteen years of age. Nathan, to whom his education was intrusted, called him Jedidiah, i.e., "beloved of the Lord"(2 Sam 12:24, 25). He was the first king of Israel "born in the purple." His father chose him as his successor, passing over the claims of his elder sons: "Assuredly Solomon my son shall reign after me." His history is recorded in 1 Kings 1-11 and 2 Chr. 1-9.

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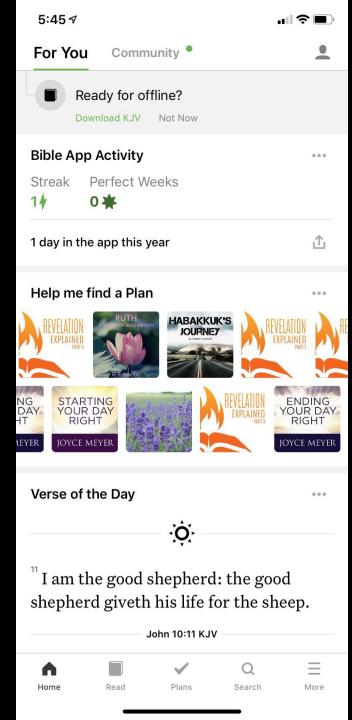
Vs. 15-25. It is honorable to shelter and protect the weak, provided they are not wicked. Proselytes and converts to the truth, should be treated with particular tenderness, that they may have no temptation to return to the world. We cannot honor God with our substance, unless it be honestly and honorably come by. It must not only be considered what we give, but how we got it. Where the borrower gets, or hopes to get, it is just that the lender should share the gain; but to him that borrows for necessary food, pity must be showed. That which is gone out of thy lips, as a solemn and deliberate vow, must not be recalled, but thou shalt keep and perform it punctually and fully. They were allowed to pluck and eat of the corn or grapes that grew by the road side; only they must not carry any away. This law intimated what great plenty of corn and wine they should have in Canaan. It provided for the support of poor travelers, and teaches us to be kind to such, teaches us to be ready to distribute, and not to think every thing lost that is given away. Yet it forbids us to abuse the kindness of friends, or to take advantage of what is allowed. Faithfulness to their engagements should mark the people of God; and they should never encroach



Another Gentile practice, connected with the one alluded to in the preceding verse, is here forbidden. The word "dog" is figurative, {compare #Re 22:15} and equivalent to the "sodomite" of the verse preceding.

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¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

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² The same was in the beginning with God.

³ All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

⁴ In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

⁵ And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.

⁷The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe.

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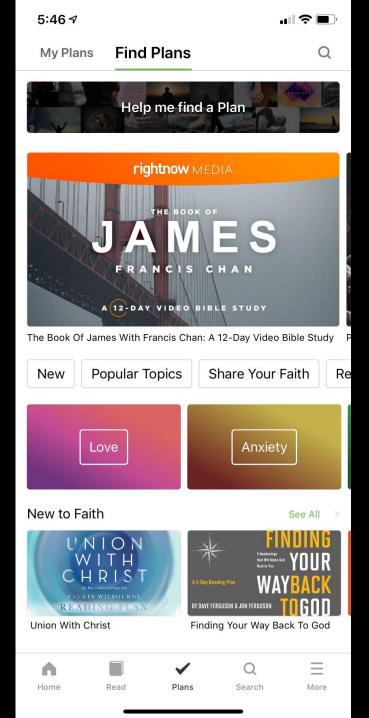






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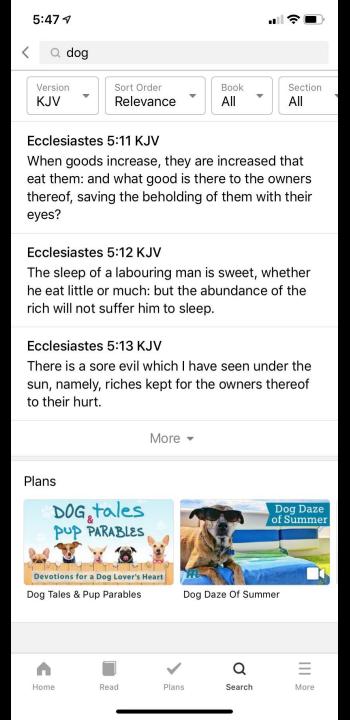
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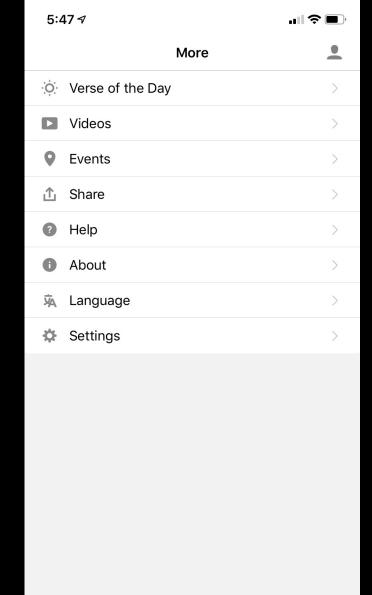
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