# Bible Study does NOT have to be scary

What do you do when you open up your bible and find something that just does not make sense? There are endless amounts of resources out there to help but which ones can you trust? The last thing that we want is to be misguided by someone who has misinterpreted scripture. We have complied a list of reputable websites, authors, preachers and bible translations that you can turn to the next time you get stumped.



# Bible Study Resource Guide

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# **Bible Translations**

Choosing a bible translation can be tricky, we want one that is easy to read yet accurately translated from the original text. We recommend that you own two bibles, one that is an "easy reader" for every day devotionals; and one for bible study, it may be a littler harder to read but will be more accurately translated. Here are some of the most popular translations broken into those categories.

#### Easy to Read:

NIV (New International Version)

NLT (New Living Translation)

The Message

#### **Bible Study:**

ESV (English Standard Version)

NASB (New American Standard Bible)

NKJV (New King James Version)

#### Internet Resources

The internet has a wealth of information at your fingertips, here are a few great websites that you will always find good information on.

Blueletterbible.org - Includes several bible translations, commentary, audio bible, Greek&Hebrew translations

Biblegateway.com - lots of bible translations and some commentary

Openbible.info - Awesome concordance (type in a topic and see bible verses related to that topic, ie. Love, respect, money, sex....)

Carm.org - tons of great articles written by great scholars concerning hundreds of different topics

Answersingenesis.org - lots of articles about creation vs. evolution and almost anything else you can find in the book of Genesis.

thebereancall.org - lots of articles written by a variety of biblical scholars covering almost any topic you can think of.





### **Preachers and Authors**

Here is a list of some of our favorite preachers and authors. Most of these individuals can be found on youtube.com or have great books or commentaries.

\* John MacArther \*Frances Chan

\* RC Sproul \*Billy Graham

\*Franklin Graham \* Chuck Missler

\* Chuck Smith \*John Piper

\*Alistair Begg \*Judah Smith

\*Tullian Tchividjian \*Greg Laurie

## **Books and Commentaries**

Haley's Bible Handbook: This book will give you detailed information on many people, places and things that can be found in the bible

Zondervan's Exhaustive Concordance: This book will allow you to look up any word in the bible and see where else this word is used in scripture. Very useful when doing topical studies

NIV Dictionary of the Bible: Similar to Haley's Bible Handbook

J. Vernon McGee Commentaries: This is a set of books covering every verse in every book of the bible. McGee is an amazing speaker and author and helps to shed light on difficult topics.