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Section 1: The Why

Section 2: Practical Ways to Study the Bible

Section 3: How to War Using the Word of God

Section 4: The Power of Praying in the Spirit



Reason Why We Are Doing the Workshop

- Decade of Pey (Mouth)
- · Decade of War
- Year of Door
- In Spiritual Warfare, the Word of God is your weapon.
 It is the Sword of the Spirit. (Eph 6:17 NIV Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.)

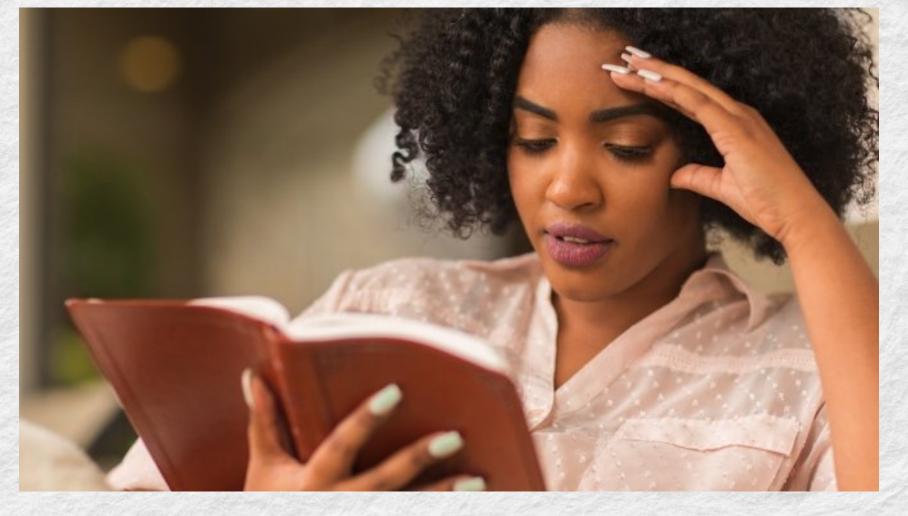
God charged us to ensure this year that the people of God had an awareness and were equipped to stand in the year ahead. He let us know that He was giving us a road map to triumph. This workshop is us aligning ourselves with the charge that God has given us - help the people of God read their Bible!

Adult Bible Users 2011–2023





In January **2023**, around 100 million adults, or 39% of Americans, said they use the Bible three or more times a year.



Bible Versions & Translations



There are three major types of Bible translations, each serving a different purpose.

- 1. Word for Word
- 2. Thought for Thought
- 3. Paraphrased

WORD FOR WORD

Word for word follows the original Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek texts most accurately. These are direct translations—attempting to keep the exact words and phrases of the original.



NASB - New American Standard Bible

AMP - Amplified Bible

ESV - English Standard Version

RSV - Revised Standard Version

KJV - King James Version

NKJV - New King James Version

THOUGHT FOR THOUGHT

Thought for Thought versions convey scripture in its most understandable wording. Ancient cultural sayings and expressions are replaced with modern ones that can be easily understood by today's readers.



HCSB - Holman Christian Standard Bible

NRSV - New Revised Standard Version

NAB - New American Bible

NJB - New Jerusalem Bible

NIV - New International Version

TNIV - Today's New International Version

NCV - New Century Version

NLT - New Living Translation



PARAPHRASED

Paraphrased versions consist of interpretations of the original text. They tend to be very easy to read in modern language.



NIRV - New International Reader's Version

GNT - Good News Translation (also, Good News Bible)

CEV - Contemporary English Version

TLB - The Living Bible

MSG - The Message



Psalm 1:6

Word-for-Word New King James Version Psalm 1:6

Thought-for-Thought New Living Translation Psalm 1:6

Paraphrased The Message

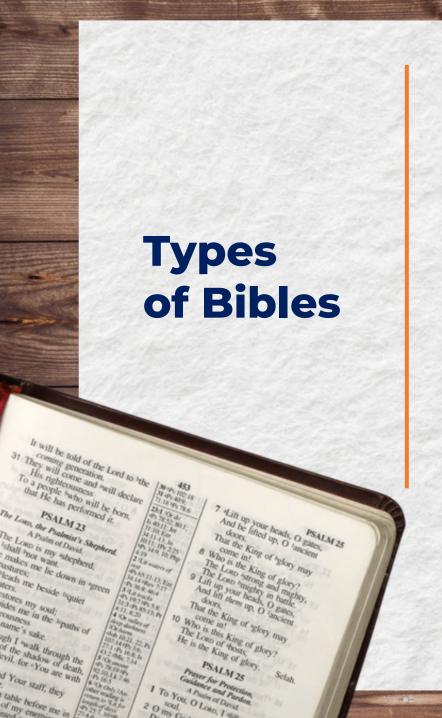
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For the LORD
knows the way of
the righteous,
But the way of the
ungodly shall
perish.

Psalm 1:6 NLT
For the LORD
watches over the path of the godly, but the path of the wicked leads to destruction.

Psalm 1:6 MSG
GOD charts the
road you take.
The road they take
leads to nowhere.

SIDE-BY-SIDE BIBLE TRANSLATION COMPARISON

TOPIC: Types of Bibles



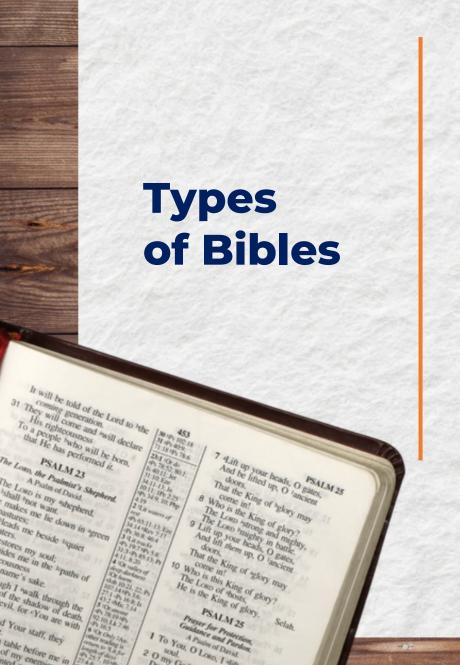
Most translations are available in several different types of Bible.

Here are just a few of the many kinds of Bibles.

Traditional. Text only. Minimal footnotes.

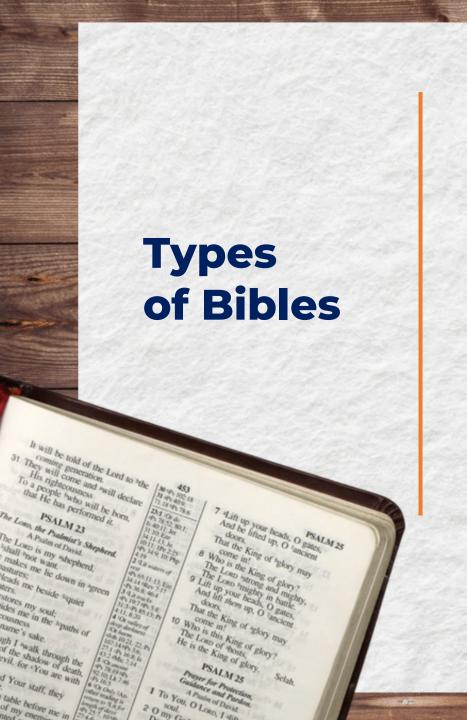
Study Bible. Such Bibles usually have extensive footnotes and explanatory notes next to the columns of text.

Reference Bible. Usually has a cyclopedic index (like an encyclopedia with a reference to the verse where the word or thought is used), a concordance (like a dictionary of common words with examples of their usage and verse references for each example), and maps.



"Place in Life" Bible. Has meditations and thoughts about issues of concern to people at a particular stage in life. There are versions of these Bibles aimed at men, women, sports players, recovering addicts, new believers, converted Jews, small group members, and many others. Ex. Leadership Bible

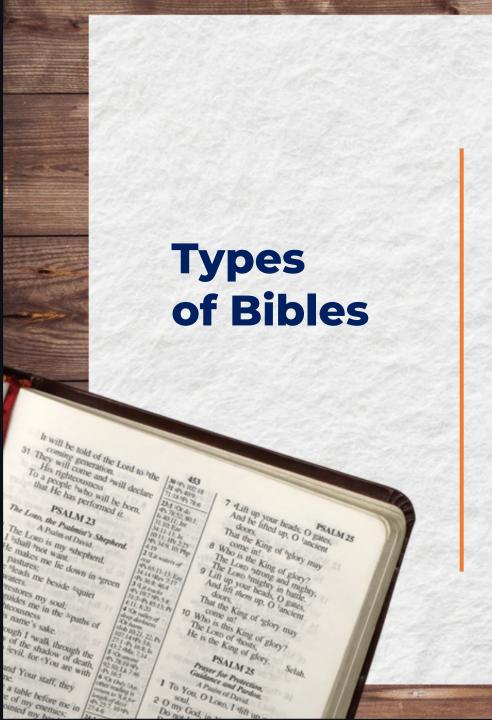
One-Year Bibles. Divided into 365 readings for each day of the year, usually with each having a portion of the Old Testament and New Testament.



Pastor's Bible. Includes protocol outlines and recommended verses for hospital visits, weddings, funerals, and other events. Often has answers to frequently asked questions. (However, not a full Bible in that it doesn't contain the full Old and New Testaments.) Ex. Nelson's Ministers Bibles

Children's Bible. Usually includes color drawings, maps, and simplified stories.

Parallel Bible or Comparative Bibles. Has from two to eight translations side by side.



Chronological Bible. The entire Bible in one continuous story with narration to cover gaps and make everything flow. The four gospels are harmonized into one, for example, and the writings of the prophets are placed in the proper historical place in the books of history.

Other Specialty Bibles. The Serendipity Bible, The Quest, Key Word Bible, Leadership Bible, Hebrew-Greek Keyword Bible, "Here's Hope" Bible, Serenity Bible, and many others.

Bible Tools & Resources

What are Bible Study Tools?

Bible study tools include the over 20 Bible translations, commentaries, concordances, dictionaries, and encyclopedias. It also includes popular history books, texts, and writings on the beginning of the early church, Bible lexicons, maps, guides, and other resources to enhance your bible study experience.

Bible Study Tools& Resources

Blue Letter Bible – This is very similar to Bible Study Tools. It contains in-depth study software that includes commentaries, concordances, Greek and Hebrew word tools, and commentaries.

Bible Gateway – Bible Gateway is great because it contains a large database of Bible translations in a variety of languages. You can enter a keyword or topic in addition to a bible verse when searching. It helps if you have a topic in mind but aren't sure of the specific passage it comes from.

Bible Study Tools& Resources

You Version – YouVersion is a Bible app filled with a huge database of translations as well. However, its Bible reading plans and devotionals make it unique. They cover a wide variety of topics from healing and freedom to singleness, dating, and marriage.

She Reads Truth – She Reads Truth is very similar to You Version, but its Bible plans are geared towards women. Each devotional has prompts and takeaways to help you grasp the full meaning of the passage as you read.

Bible Study Posture

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How you see the Bible informs how you interact with it.

If you look at the Bible as a book of moral codes that if violated will send you to hell, then you'll treat it that way and only read it occasionally.

Bible Study Posture

Praying is a must when it comes to studying the Word!

Without Prayer in our reading, we can foster an attitude of false confidence in reading the Word.

Meaning we begin to lean in on our own understanding, which is based upon our experiences.

Psalm 119:18 NIV, reads Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.

Bible Study Posture

2 Timothy 3:16-17 NIV

16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, 17 so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

We are wrong if we think we don't need the Spirit of God to understand what the Spirit of God wrote.

Let your prayer be according to how you are led but include:

- Lord, know that I love Your Word
- Holy Spirit, I give You permission to increase me in knowledge, wisdom, and understanding,
- Let the knowledge I gain serve to help me love You and others more and not be puffed up
- Let me see something new about You I've never seen before
- Correct any lies I believe about You or anything I misunderstand
- Direct my steps according to Your Word
- And help me to recall what I've received
- Let us pray.....

Let's Practice Observation

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One of the ways to study scripture is to ask who, what, when, where, and why as you look at the scripture.

John 3:16 NIV

(Who is the world? Does this refer to a planet or system?)

For God so loved the world that He gave his

(Why is the word "So" used? Is it there to say how much God loves?)

one and only Son, that whoever believes in him

shall not perish but have eternal life.

What does perish mean?
Physical death or a spiritual death?

(When does eternal life begin?)

Interpretation Mindset Bias

Definitions: Exegesis, Eisegesis, and Hermeneutics

Before we go any further, we have to define these three concepts.

Exegesis Definition:

Exegesis essentially means using the words of the text in Scripture, through the lens of their original context, to determine their intent.

Eisegesis Definition:

Reading with a preconceived notion.

Hermeneutics Definition:

Hermeneutics goes somewhat hand in hand with exegesis. Hermeneutics is more concerned about how you interpret a passage (if you choose to do one process versus another), and exegesis means actually researching and discovering the meaning behind the text.

Exegesis vs. Eisegesis.

Say you're trying to solve a mystery of some sort. Someone took your \$25 gift card, and you want to find out who.

Exegesis would analyze all the clues presented before drawing a conclusion about who took the gift card.

Eisegesis, on the other hand, would draw a conclusion about who took that gift card based on your own bias. Maybe you just simply don't like the tone in which your teenager speaks to you, so maybe she took it. Or you're just mad at your spouse that day, so they obviously took the card from you.

You blame them, only to find out later that they probably weren't the ones to take it.

Even if they had, you didn't use the right or most correct approach to discovering the truth.

Eisegesis often leads to wrong conclusions and can lead many astray.