

How to Study the Bible

Part Ten

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- How to Choose a Study Bible
 - Three considerations:
 - Translation
 - I recommend the King James Version.
 - Primary _____
 - General purpose
 - Specific focus
 - Specific strengths and weaknesses
 - Each study Bible is _____ in its own way.
- General Purpose Study Bibles
 - The _____ Reference Bible
 - Strengths:
 - Familiarity
 - The “original” study Bible, revised twice since
 - Connected _____ reference system
 - Strongly dispensational
 - Weaknesses:
 - Promotes the “_____ theory”
 - Notes are not as detailed as in some other study Bibles
 - The _____ Study Bible
 - Strengths:
 - Introductions, _____, and timelines
 - Many _____ and graphs
 - Many additional articles and resources
 - Highly readable typesetting and layout
 - With _____ margins for taking notes
 - Weaknesses:
 - Fewer cross-references than in some other study Bibles
 - Notes _____ passages omitted in the critical text
 - The _____ KJV Study Bible
 - Strengths:
 - Full-color _____ on every page
 - Full-color maps, photos, and illustrations
 - In-depth _____ on specific topics
 - Detailed explanatory notes

- A _____ of the “King’s English”
 - Weaknesses:
 - Explanatory notes are of varying _____
 - Size and weight
- The King James Study Bible
 - Strengths
 - Larger type, readable layout
 - Helpful “_____” to understanding and applying important concepts
 - Detailed explanatory notes
 - In-text maps and charts
 - Concordance includes _____ numbers
 - Weaknesses
 - None significant
- The Henry _____ Study Bible
 - Strengths
 - Explanatory notes (especially strong in:)
 - _____, creationism, Genesis, Revelation
 - _____ helps
 - Larger font for readability
 - Topical index
 - Many helpful and unique appendices and articles on Biblical _____
 - Weaknesses
 - Few charts and _____
 - Size and weight
- Special Purpose Study Bibles
 - _____ Chain Reference Bible
 - Primary strength:
 - Topical study and _____ preparation
 - Numbered chain-reference system
 - Other features:
 - Archaeological Supplement
 - Several unique and helpful appendices
 - Weaknesses:
 - No explanatory notes
 - Book _____ and other helpful notes found at the back instead of alongside text
 - Key _____ Study Bible
 - Primary strengths:

- Word definitions
 - Word studies
 - _____ insights
- Other features:
 - Excellent _____ and dictionaries
- Weaknesses:
 - Fewer explanatory _____ than in other study Bibles
- Other Study Bibles
 - Not available in KJV:
 - The MacArthur Study Bible
 - The Jeremiah Study Bible
 - Study Bibles I cannot recommend:
 - The Fire Bible
 - The Life in the Spirit (or Full Life) Bible
 - The Dake Reference Bible
 - The Apologetics Study Bible
 - The Rainbow Study Bible
 - The Life Application Study Bible
- Final Recommendations
 - General Purpose Study Bibles:
 - The Henry Morris Study Bible
 - The King James Study Bible
 - Specific Purpose Study Bibles:
 - The Key Word Study Bible