

## COMMENTARIES

I won't list them all here, but there are many great commentaries available today. If you want a commentary that touches every book of the Bible, The Bible Knowledge Commentary covers all 66 books of the Old and New Testaments in an inexpensive, two-volume set. Deeper study involves more involved commentaries on each book. If you are looking for great commentaries I encourage you to check three places. First, [www.desiringgod.org](http://www.desiringgod.org) has a great commentary list. Denver Seminary also has a list of recommended commentaries on their web-site that is enormously helpful. D.A. Carson also writes reviews of commentaries and he is helpful at selecting which are the most scholarly and thorough. Listed below are some of the highlights of my own study and from the aforementioned lists. Not all great commentaries are mentioned, and not all commentaries mentioned have been read by me. However, I would recommend any of the books below if you are looking to study a book of the Bible at a deeper level (those marked in Red or Blue I prioritize above the others within their respective categories).

- Genesis:** [Wenham \(Word Biblical Commentary\)](#)  
Sailhamer (Expositor's Bible Commentary)  
[Waltke, Bruce](#)
- Exodus:** Enns (NIV Application Commentary)  
\*Childs, B.S. *The Book of Exodus*. OTL. Westminster, 1974.  
\*Propp, William H. *Exodus 1-18*. AB. Doubleday, 1998.
- Leviticus:** Hartley (WBC)  
\*Milgrom, Jacob. *Leviticus 1-16*. AB 3. Doubleday, 1991  
\*Wenham, G.J. *The Book of Leviticus*. NICOT
- Numbers:** [Wenham \(Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries\)](#)  
\*Levine, Baruch A. *Numbers 21-36*. (AB)
- Deuteronomy:** McConville (AOTC );  
[Wright \(New International Biblical Commentary\)](#)  
\*Craigie, P.C. *The Book of Deuteronomy*. NICOT
- Joshua:** Woudstra (New International Commentary on the Old Testament) or  
[\\*Hess, R. S. Joshua: An Introduction and Commentary. TOTC](#)
- Judges:** [\\*Block, Daniel I. Judges, Ruth. NAC](#)
- Ruth:** \*Hubbard, Robert L., Jr. *The Book of Ruth*. NICOT
- 1 & 2 Samuel:** [\\*Bergen, R. D. 1 and 2 Samuel. NAC. Broadman, 1996](#)  
\*McCarter, P. Kyle, Jr., *I Samuel and II Samuel*. AB. Doubleday, 1980, 1984.
- 1 & 2 Kings:** \*Cogan, Mordechai. *I Kings*. AB 10. Doubleday, 2000.  
Thorough discussion of the textual, critical, and archaeological problems and data.  
\*Cogan, M., and H. Tadmor. *II Kings*. AB. Doubleday, 1988  
[House, P. R. 1 and 2 Kings. NAC. Broadman, 1995](#)  
\* Provan, Iain W. *1 and 2 Kings*. NIBC. Hendrickson, 1995.
- 1 Chronicles:** \*Japhet, Sara. *I & II Chronicles*. OTL. Westminster John Knox, 1993 Braun (WBC)
- 2 Chronicles:** Dillard (WBC)
- Ezra and Nehemiah:** [\\*Williamson, H.G.M. Ezra-Nehemiah. WBC. Word, 1985](#)
- Esther:** Baldwin (TOTC)  
\* Berlin, Adele. *Esther*. JPS. Jewish Publication Society, 2001.

- Job:** \*Alden, Robert A. *Job*. NAC. Broadman, 1994 .Andersen (TOTC)
- Psalms:** [Kidner \(TOTC\)](#)  
\*Craigie, P. *Psalms 1-50*. WBC. Word, 1983.  
\*Terrien, Samuel. *The Psalms. Strophic Structure and Theological Commentary*. ECC
- Proverbs:** [Kidner \(TOTC\)](#); [Bridges \(Banner of Truth\)](#)  
\*Clifford, Richard J. *Proverbs*. OTL.  
\*Fox, Michael V. *Proverbs 1-9*. Anchor Bible. Doubleday, 2000.  
\*Garrett, Duane A. *Proverbs Ecclesiastes Song of Songs*. NAC
- Ecclesiastes:** \*[Longman, Tremper, III. \*Ecclesiastes\*. NICOT. Eerdmans, 1997](#)  
\*Seow, C.-L. *Ecclesiastes*. AB. Doubleday, 1997
- Song of Songs:** \*[Longman, Tremper, III. \*Song of Songs\*. NICOT. Eerdmans, 2001](#)  
\*Murphy, R.E. *The Song of Songs*. Hermeneia. Fortress, 1990
- Isaiah:** [Oswalt, John N. \*The Book of Isaiah\*. 2 volumes. NICOT. Eerdmans, 1986, 1998](#)  
\*Webb, Barry G. *The Message of Isaiah*. BST. InterVarsity, 1996.  
\*Westermann, Claus. *Isaiah 40-66*. OTL. Philadelphia: Westminster, 1969.
- Jeremiah:** Thompson (NICOT)  
\*Holladay, William L. *Jeremiah 1-25; Jeremiah 26-52*. Hermeneia. Philadelphia King, Philip J. *Jeremiah: An Archaeological Commentary* Westminster John Knox 1993
- Jeremiah & Lamentations:** Harrison (TOTC)  
\*Hillers, Delbert R. *Lamentations: A New Translation with Introduction and Commentary*. Second edition. Doubleday, 1992. Update of 1972 commentary
- Ezekiel:** [Allen, Leslie C. \*Ezekiel 1-19, 20-48\*. WBC, 2 vols. Waco: Word Books, 1990](#)  
\*Block, Daniel I. *The Book of Ezekiel*. 2 volumes. NICOT. Eerdmans, 1997, 1998  
\*Zimmerli, Walther. *Ezekiel 1-24 and Ezekiel 25-48*. 2 vols. Hermeneia. Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1979, 1983
- Daniel:** [Baldwin, Joyce G. \*Daniel\*. TOTC. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1978](#)  
[Longman III, Tremper. \*Daniel\*. NIVAC. Zondervan, 1999](#)  
\*[Collins, John J. \*Daniel\*. Hermeneia. Fortress, 1993](#)  
\*Goldingay, John. *Daniel*. WBC. Waco: Word Books, 1989
- Minor Prophets:** McComiskey (3 volumes; superb)
- Matthew:** [Carson, D. A. "Matthew," in EBC, ed. F. E. Gaebelin, vol. 8. G.R.: Zondervan, 1984.](#)  
\*Hagner, D. A. *Matthew* (WBC), 2 vols. Dallas: Word, 1993-95.  
\*Blomberg, C. L. *Matthew* (NAC). Nashville: Broadman, 1992.  
\*Keener, C. *Matthew* (NTC). Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 1997.
- Mark:** [Lane, W. F. \*Commentary on the Gospel of Mark \(New International Commentary on the New Testament\)\*. G.R.: Eerdmans, 1974.](#)  
\*Guelich, R. *Mark 1 - 8:26* (WBC). Dallas: Word, 1989; and Evans, C. A. *Mark 8:27 - 16:20* (WBC). Nashville: Nelson, 2001.  
\*Garland, D. *Mark* (NIVAC). G.R.: Zondervan, 1996.
- Luke:** [Bock, D. L. \*Luke \(Baker Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament\)\*, 2 vols. G.R.: Baker, 1994-96](#)  
\*Green, J. B. *The Gospel of Luke* (NICNT, rev.). G.R.: Eerdmans, 1997.  
\*Bock, D. L. *Luke* (NIVAC). G. R.: Zondervan, 1996.

- John:** Carson, D. A. *The Gospel According to John* (PNTC). G.R.: Eerdmans, 1991  
\*Beasley-Murray, G. R. *John* (WBC). Nashville: Nelson, 1999<sup>2</sup>  
\*Burge, G.M. *John* (NIVAC). G.R.: Zondervan, 2000.
- Acts:** Longenecker (EBC)  
\*Barrett, C .K. *A Critical and Exegetical Commentary on the Acts of the Apostles* (ICC), 2 vols. Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark, 1994-1998.  
\*Witherington, B. *The Acts of the Apostles. A Socio-Rhetorical Commentary*. G.R.: Eerdmans, 1998.  
\*Fernando, A. *Acts* (NIVAC). G.R.: Zondervan, 1998.
- Romans:** Schreiner (BEC); Murray (Eerdmans)  
Moo, D. J. *The Epistle to the Romans* (NICNT, rev.). G.R.: Eerdmans, 1996.  
\*Cranfield, C. E. B. *The Epistle to the Romans* (ICC, rev.), 2 vols. Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark. 1976-79  
\*Moo, D.J. *Romans* (NIVAC). G.R.: Zondervan, 2000.
- 1 Corinthians:** Fee, G. D. *The First Epistle to the Corinthians* (NICNT, rev.). G.R.: Eerdmans, 1987  
\*Thiselton, A. C. *The First Epistle to the Corinthians* (NIGNT). G.R.: Eerdmans, 2000.  
\*Blomberg, C. L. *1 Corinthians* (NIVAC). G.R.: Zondervan, 1994
- 2 Corinthians:** Barnett, P. *The Second Epistle to the Corinthians* (NICNT,rev.). G.R.: Eerdmans, 1997  
\*Martin, R. P. *2 Corinthians* (WBC). Waco: Word, 1986  
\*Belleville, L. *2 Corinthians* (NTC). Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 1996.
- Galatians:** Longenecker, R. N. *Galatians* (WBC). Dallas: Word, 1990  
\*Witherington, B., III. *Grace in Galatia: A Commentary on Paul's Letter to the Galatians*. G.R.: Eerdmans; Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark, 1998.  
\*Hansen, G. W. *Galatians* (NTC). Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 1994.
- Ephesians:** O'Brien, P. T. *The Letter to the Ephesians* (PNTC). G.R.: Eerdmans, 1999.  
\*Hoehner, H. *Ephesians: An Exegetical Commentary*. G.R.: Baker, 2002.  
\*Lincoln, A. T. *Ephesians* (WBC). Dallas: Word, 1990.  
\*Snodgrass, K. *Ephesians* (NIVAC). G.R.: Zondervan, 1996.
- Philippians:** O'Brien, P. T. *The Epistle to the Philippians* (NIGTC). G. R.: Eerdmans, 1991.  
\*Fee, G.D. *Paul's Letter to the Philippians* (NICNT, rev.). G. R.: Eerdmans, 1995.  
\*Thielman, F. *Philippians* (NIVAC). G. R.: Zondervan, 1995.
- Colossians/Philemon:** O'Brien, P. T. *Colossians, Philemon* (WBC). Waco: Word, 1982.  
\*Bruce, F. F. *The Epistles to the Colossians, to Philemon, and to the Ephesians* (NICNT,rev.). G.R.: Eerdmans, 1984  
\*Fitzmyer, J. A. *The Letter to Philemon* (AB). New York: Doubleday, 2000.  
\*Garland, D. *Colossians* (NIVAC). G. R.: Zondervan, 1998.
- 1 & 2 Thessalonians:** Bruce (WBC)  
\*Wanamaker, C. A. *Commentary on 1 & 2 Thessalonians* (NIGTC). G.R.: Eerdmans, 1990.  
\*Malherbe, A. J. *The Letters to the Thessalonians* (AB). New York: Doubleday, 2001.  
\*Holmes, M. W. *1 & 2 Thessalonians* (NIVAC). G. R.: Zondervan, 1998.
- Pastoral Epistles:** Mounce, W. D. *Pastoral Epistles* (WBC). Nashville: Nelson, 2000.  
\*Johnson, L.T. *The First and Second Letters to Timothy* (AB) NY: Doubleday, 2001.  
\*Towner, P. H. *1 - 2 Timothy and Titus* (NTC). Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 1994.
- Hebrews:** Ellingworth, P. *The Epistle to the Hebrews* (NIGTC). G. R.: Eerdmans, 1993.  
\*Lane, W. L. *Hebrews* (WBC), 2 vols. Dallas: Word, 1991.  
\*Bruce, F. F. *The Epistle to the Hebrews* (NICNT). G. R.: Eerdmans, 1990<sup>2</sup>.  
\*Guthrie, G. H. *Hebrews* (NIVAC). G. R.: Zondervan, 1998.

- James:** Moo, D. J. *The Letter of James* (PNTC). G. R.: Eerdmans, 2000.  
\*Davids, P. H. *Commentary on James* (NIGTC). G. R.: Eerdmans, 1982.  
\*Nystrom, D. P. *James* (NIVAC). G. R.: Zondervan, 1997.
- 1 Peter:** Grudem, Wayne. *The First Epistle of Peter* (TNTC, rev.). G. R.: Eerdmans, 1988  
\*Michaels, J. R. *1 Peter* (WBC). Waco: Word, 1988.  
\*Davids, P. H. *The First Epistle of Peter* (NICNT). G. R.: Eerdmans, 1990.  
\*Marshall, I. H. *1 Peter* (NTC). Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 1991.
- 2 Peter and Jude:** Bauckham, R. *Jude, 2 Peter* (WBC). Waco: Word, 1983.  
Moo, D. J. *2 Peter, Jude* (NIVAC). G. R.: Zondervan, 1996.  
\*Kelly, J. N. D. *Commentary on the Epistles of Peter and Jude* (HNTC).  
San Francisco: Harper, 1969.
- Johannine Epistles:** Kruse, C. *The Letters of John* (PNTC). G.R.: Eerdmans, 2000  
Stott, J. R. W. *The Epistles of John* (TNTC). G. R.: Eerdmans, 1988<sup>2</sup>.  
\*Smalley, S. S. *I, II, III John* (WBC). Waco: Word, 1984.  
\*Brown, R. *The Epistles of John* (AB). Garden City: Doubleday, 1982.  
\*Burge, G. M. *Letters of John* (NIVAC). G. R.: Zondervan, 1996.
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\*Aune, D. E. *Revelation* (WBC), 3 vols. Dallas: Word, 1997-1998.  
\*Mounce, R. *The Book of Revelation* (NICNT). G. R.: Eerdmans, 1997<sup>2</sup>.  
\*Keener, C. S. *Revelation* (NIVAC). G. R.: Zondervan, 2000.

