

Recommended Extra Reading

Third Millennium Ministries

- This list by no means pretends to give a complete and balanced survey of available literature on the topics of our courses. Rather, it is meant to be a "sampling" of suggestions to get the student started, including both Internet links and printed books.
- In our day, the Internet offers almost limitless resources, and part of the learning process for the student is to become a good "surfer" to find materials on topics of interest.
- However, the following list gives a few suggestions, adds some brief comments about the materials and authors, and recommends guidelines for using the search engines of websites.
- Resources that are especially recommended are marked with an asterisk*

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I. HISTORY AND THEOLOGY

Church History and the History of Theology

Internet Resources

*[Christian Classics Ethereal Library](http://www.ccel.org/)

<http://www.ccel.org/>

This website has a multitude of classic Christian literature. Click on "Research," then write the name of an author or a title of a book in their search boxes. You may also choose to click on "Browse" and look through the list of documents in alphabetical order, either by author or by title. You don't need to register to use this. For example, in the area of history of theology, we suggest you look at the following documents as examples:

Eusebius. *Church History*. (church historian from the fourth century AD)

Josephus, Flavius. *Complete Works*. (Jewish historian from the first century AD)

Robertson, J.C. *Sketches of Church History, From AD 33 to the Reformation*. (19th century professor of church history, Kings College, London)

*Schaff, Philip. *The History of the Christian Church* (3 volumes). (19th century Swiss historian)

_____. *Creeds of Christendom* (3 volumes).

[Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry \(CARM\)](http://carm.org/)

<http://carm.org/>

This website is dedicated to a defense of the Christian faith and biblical analysis of contemporary issues. For studying the history of theology, we suggest that you click on "Apologetics," then "Heresies," and browse through the list.

[Wikipedia](http://en.wikipedia.org)

<http://en.wikipedia.org>

Most people are familiar with this Internet encyclopedia. You can put almost any important name or concept in the search box to find interesting information. For example, to study the history of theology, you may want to look up names such as Eusebius, Tertullian, or Marcion. You may want to study topics such as Gnosticism or Montanism. Remember that, while this popular electronic encyclopedia is surprisingly complete and accurate, it aims to represent all points of view, which may lead to some error and confusion.

Printed Resources

*Berkhof, Louis. *The History of Christian Doctrines*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1975.

Bettenson, Henry, ed. *Documents of the Christian Church*. London: Oxford University Press, 1970.

*Gonzalez, Justo L. *A History of Christian Thought*. 3 vols. Rev. ed. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1987.

Hagglund, Bengt. *History of Theology*. St. Louis: Concordia, 1968.

Kelly, J. N. D. *Early Christian Doctrines*. Rev. ed. San Francisco: Harper and Row, 1978.

*Latourette, Kenneth Scott. *A History of Christianity*. New York: Harper and Row, 1953.

World Religions and Cults

Internet Resources

[BBC](#)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

To find articles on religions, click on "More" then "Full A-Z," then click on "R," then "Religion home page," then find "Religion A-Z" in the margin.

[Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry \(CARM\)](#)

<http://carm.org/>

This website is dedicated to a defense of the Christian faith and biblical analysis of contemporary issues. For studying world religions, click on the "World Religions" tab in the left margin.

[Kingdom of the Cults](#)

<http://www.waltermartin.com/cults.html>

This web site give Walter Martin's teachings about many of the popular cults.

[New Advent](#)

<http://www.newadvent.org/>

This is a Catholic encyclopedia. To find a topic, use the alphabetical index. For example, to find an article on world religions, click on the letter of the name of the religion, such as "B" for Buddhism, and scroll down to find an article on it.

[Religion Facts](#)

<http://www.religionfacts.com/>

This ecumenical site gives information about most religions. Just find the name on the home page.

[Religious Tolerance](#)

http://www.religioustolerance.org/var_rel.htm

Find a religion to study by looking at the menu of "World Religions" in the left column.

[Sacred Texts](#)

<http://www.sacred-texts.com/world.htm>

Find important texts for each religion as found in the list.

Printed Resources

Anderson, J. N. D. *The World's Religions*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1968. (Christian perspective)

Hoekema, Anthony A. *The Four Major Cults*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1963.

Knight, George R. *A Brief History of the Seventh Day Adventists*. New York: Macmillan, 2004.

Martin, Walter. *The Kingdom of the Cults*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1965.

Sookhedeo, Patrick. *A Christian's Pocket Guide to Islam*. Fearn, Ross-shire, Scotland: Christian Focus Publications, 2001.

Systematic Theology in General

Internet Resources

[Catechism of the Catholic Church](#)

http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM

This is a fundamental document to understand the official current theology of the Roman Catholic Church. Just scroll down the index to find a topic.

*[Christian Classics Ethereal Library](#)

<http://www.ccel.org/>

This website has a multitude of classic Christian literature. Click on "Research," then write the name of an author or a title of a book in their search boxes. You may also choose to click on "Browse" and look through the list of documents in alphabetical order, either by author or by title. You don't need to register to use this. For example, in the area of Systematic Theology, we suggest you look at the following examples:

Anselm, *Proslogium*. (scholastic theologian)

*Aquinas, Thomas. *The Summa Theologica*. (Key medieval scholastic theologian, a favorite of the Roman Catholic Church)

Arminius, Jacobus. *Works of James Arminius*. (opponent of Calvinism)

Edwards, Jonathan. *Freedom of the Will*. (reformed)

*Hodge, Charles. *Systematic Theology*. (reformed)

[Desiring God](#)

<http://www.desiringgod.org/>

This website is oriented around the reformed teaching of John Piper. We suggest you search for an article by looking under "Browse By," click on "Topic index" and scroll down to find the subject you would like to study. You can also search by author.

*[Frame-Poythress](#)

<http://www.frame-poythress.org/>

This website contains articles and books by these two important contemporary reformed theologians. To find an article, look under the corresponding author (Frame or Poythress), click on "Articles by Title," and scroll down to find the article in its alphabetical order. To find a book, click on "Books" and scroll down to find the title. We suggest a few examples below:

Frame, John. "Certainty."

Frame, John. "Introduction to the Reformed Faith."

Frame, John. "My Use of the Reformed Confessions."

*Frame, John. "A Primer on Perspectivalism."

Frame, John. "Traditionalism."

Poythress, Vern S. "Multiperspectivalism and the Reformed Faith."

Poythress, Vern S. "Presbyterianism and Dispensationalism."

*Poythress, Vern S. *Symphonic Theology*. (Search under "Books.")

[Ligonier Ministries](http://www.ligonier.org/)

<http://www.ligonier.org/>

Under the direction of R.C. Sproul, this reformed website contains hundreds of articles on theology. We suggest clicking on the tab "Learn," then under "Ways to Learn," click on "Topics." Articles in theology are in the first column.

[Monergism](http://www.monergism.com/)

<http://www.monergism.com/>

This website contains many articles on theology from a reformed perspective. We suggest especially the resources listed below. To find any of them, look under the category "Theology," click on "Systematic Theology," and scroll down to find the title.

*Aquinas, Thomas. *The Summa Theologica*. (Key medieval scholastic theologian, a favorite of the Roman Catholic Church)

*Berkhof, Louis. *Summary of Christian Doctrine*. (synthesis of reformed doctrine)

Reymond, Robert L. "The Justification of Theology as an Intellectual Discipline." (reformed)

*Poythress, Vern S. *Symphonic Theology*. (reformed)

Wells, David F. "The Nature and Function of Theology." (reformed)

[Regent University Divinity and Religion Resources](http://libguides.regent.edu)

<http://libguides.regent.edu>

This site recommends many resources and gives key information about them. We suggest for example that you click on "Bibliographies" and then "Systematic Theologies by denomination and persuasion." You could also click on "Websites" and then "Theology" to find other sites.

[Selected Works of Martin Luther](http://www.iclnet.org/pub/resources/text/wittenberg/wittenberg-luther.html)

<http://www.iclnet.org/pub/resources/text/wittenberg/wittenberg-luther.html>

This site includes his Ninety Five Theses, commentaries, his Catechisms, and much more.

[Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy](http://plato.stanford.edu/)

<http://plato.stanford.edu/>

You can use this resource especially for studying philosophers or liberal theologians. For example, write the name "Schleiermacher" in the search box in order to find an article on Friedrich Schleiermacher, or write the name "Kierkegaard" to study Søren Kierkegaard.

[*Third Millennium
http://thirdmill.org/](http://thirdmill.org/)

Our own main website contains countless resources, including books, articles, videos and audio files. To find articles on theology, click on the "Read" tab. Browse through the categories, especially the RPM Magazine, Pauline Studies, and Electronic Books. Click on "Links" to find hundreds of other resources.

We suggest the following resources on Systematic Theology:

*Augustine. *Confessions*.

Click "Read" then "Electronic Books," then write "Augustine" in the search box and click Enter. You may need to go to the next page to find other parts of the book.

*Calvin, John. *Institutes of the Christian Religion*.

Calvin was the key theologian for the reformation, and continues to be fundamental for reformed theologians. To find this valuable resource, click on "Read," then "Electronic Books," "Browse by Author," scroll down to "Medieval and Reformation Authors," click on "Calvin, John," and find "Institutes of the Christian Religion." You can select any of the four books of the *Institutes* in several different formats.

Pratt, Richard L., Jr. "Does God Observe the Law of Contradiction? ...Should We?"

To find this article, click on "Read," then "RPM Magazine." In the search box, first put "Pratt" and click Enter, then put in a key word or two from the title of the article, such as "contradiction."

To find many other articles on theology, click "Read," then "RPM Magazine," "Topical Archives," and scroll down to "Theology."

[Wikipedia](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page

Most people are familiar with this Internet encyclopedia. You can put almost any important name or concept in the search box to find interesting information. For example, to study Systematic Theology you may want to look up theologians such as Augustine, Aquinas, Calvin, or Luther, or you may want to study topics such as Catholicism, eschatology, or Mormonism. For studying liberal theologians, look up the following examples: Adolf Harnack, Albrecht Ritschl, Gustavo Gutierrez, Friedrich Schleiermacher, and Paul Tillich. Remember that, while this popular electronic encyclopedia is surprisingly complete and accurate, it aims to represent all points of view, which may lead to some error and confusion.

Printed Resources

Arminius, Jacobus. *The Works of Jacob Arminius*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1986. (opponent of Calvinism)

*Berkhof, Louis. *Systematic Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996. (reformed)

*Boice, James M. *Foundations of the Christian Faith*. Downers Grove: Inter-Varsity Press, 1986. (reformed)

*Buswell, J. Oliver. *A Systematic Theology of the Christian Religion*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1962-63. (reformed)

*Calvin, John. *Institutes of the Christian Religion*. Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1967. (fundamental theologian of the Reformation)

Catechism of the Catholic Church. New York: Doubleday, 1995.

Erickson, Millard J. *Christian Theology*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1983. (Baptist)

*Frame, John. *The Doctrine of the Christian Life*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian and Reformed, 2008. (reformed, contemporary)

*_____. *The Doctrine of God*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian and Reformed, 2002.

*_____. *The Doctrine of the Knowledge of God*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian and Reformed, 1987.

*Grudem, Wayne. *Systematic Theology*. Leicester: Inter-Varsity Press, and Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1994. (Grudem is fairly recent and very practical, directing his theology to the issues of our day. He represents a unique combination of historical reformed theology with an occasional defense of charismatic views. He is also Baptist.)

*_____. *Bible Doctrine; Essential Teachings of the Christian Faith*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1999. (summary of his *Systematic Theology*)

McGrath, Alister E. *The Science of God: An Introduction to Scientific Theology*. London: T&T Clark, 2004. Contemporary "natural theology" by a well-known Oxford professor.

_____. *A Scientific Theology: Nature*. London: T&T Clark, 2001.

_____. *A Scientific Theology: Reality*. London: T&T Clark, 2002.

_____. *A Scientific Theology: Theory*. London: T&T Clark, 2003.

Packer, J.I. *Concise Theology; a Guide to Historic Christian Beliefs*. Wheaton : Tyndale, 1993. Originally written as notes for the *New Geneva Bible*. (Evangelical Anglican)

Pearlman, Myer. *Knowing the Doctrines of the Bible*. Springfield, Mo.: Gospel Publishing House, 1937. (Pentecostal)

*Pratt, Richard L., Jr. *Designed For Dignity: What God Has Made It Possible For You To Be*. Second edition. Phillipsburg, N.J.: P&R Publishing, 2000. (reformed)

*Reymond, Robert L. *A New Systematic Theology of the Christian Faith*. Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1998. (reformed)

*Sproul, R.C. *Essential Truths of the Christian Faith*. Wheaton: Tyndale, 1998. (reformed)

*_____. *Faith Alone: The Evangelical Doctrine of Justification*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1999.

_____. *Renewing Your Mind: Basic Christian Beliefs You Need to Know*. 3rd ed. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1998.

_____. *What Is Reformed Theology?: Understanding The Basics*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2005.

Tillich, Paul. *Systematic Theology*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1951-1963. (liberal)

The Apostles' Creed

[Catechism of the Catholic Church](#)

http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM

This is a fundamental document to understand the official current theology of the Roman Catholic Church. Just scroll down the index to find a topic. To read their exposition of the Apostles' Creed, look at Part 1, Section 2, Chapter 1, Article 1.

[Center for Reformed Theology and Apologetics \(CRTA\)](#)

<http://www.reformed.org/index.html>

We suggest you use this site to read an exposition of the Apostles' Creed. Using the "Advanced Search" box (the link just below the search box), write "Apostles Creed" (without the apostrophe) in the box that says "Exact Phrase." It will lead you to the following article:

*Dodds, James. *Exposition of the Apostles' Creed*.

[Monergism](#)

<http://www.monergism.com/>

This website contains articles on theology from a reformed perspective. To find resources on the Apostles' Creed, write "Apostles' Creed" in the search box.

[Selected Works of Martin Luther](#)

<http://www.iclnet.org/pub/resources/text/wittenberg/wittenberg-luther.html>

To read Luther's exposition of the Apostles' Creed, find "Luther's Larger Catechism" and scroll down to "Part Second" / "Of the Creed."

The Doctrine of Scripture

Internet Resources

[Catechism of the Catholic Church](#)

http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM

This is a fundamental document to understand the official current theology of the Roman Catholic Church. To read about their official view of Scripture, see Part 1, Chapter 2, Articles 1-3. To see their view of Tradition, see Part one, Section 1, Chapter 2, Article 2, "The Transmission of Divine Revelation."

[Catholic.com](#)

<http://www.catholic.com/>

Catholic web site. To read about their view of Scripture and Tradition, for example, write "Tradition" in the search box, and find the following articles:

"Apostolic Tradition"

"Scripture and Tradition"

[Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry \(CARM\)](#)

<http://carm.org/>

This website is dedicated to a defense of the Christian faith and biblical analysis of contemporary issues. We suggest the following articles:

Slick, Matt. "Is the Bible Inspired" (See "Christianity," then "Bible.")

_____. "Roman Catholicism, Bible and Tradition." (See "World Religions," "Roman Catholicism," "Scripture and Tradition.")

*[Frame-Poythress](#)

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Frame, John. "No Scripture, No Christ."

_____. "Scripture Speaks for Itself."

Poythress, Vern S. "What Does God Say Through Human Authors?"

*[Monergism](#)

<http://www.monergism.com/>

This website contains many articles on theology from a reformed perspective. We suggest for example the articles below on the topic of the doctrine of Scripture. To find them, go to the Block called "Bible," click "Bible Research," then "Inspiration," and scroll down to find them.

Boettner, Loraine. "The Inspiration of Scripture."

Hughes, Philip Edgcumbe. "The Reformers View of Inspiration."

Warfield, B. B. "The Inspiration and Authority of Scriptures."

[New Advent](#)

<http://www.newadvent.org/>

This is a Catholic encyclopedia. To find a topic, use the alphabetical index. For example, to find an article on their view of Tradition, click on "T" and scroll down to:

"Tradition and Magisterium"

*Sproul, R.C. "[Sola Scriptura, Part 1](#)" (Video on You Tube, first of series of three)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j45czYrPJfI&feature=player_embedded

_____ "[Sola Scriptura, Part 2](#)"

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o8GnJ4eaj_Y&feature=related

_____ "[Sola Scriptura, Part 3](#)"

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=szz0LmEKI8&feature=related>

*[Third Millennium](#)

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We suggest the following resources on the doctrine of Scripture.

Jones, Hywell. "The Doctrine of Scripture Today; Trends in Evangelical Thinking." (Write "Doctrine of Scripture" in the search box.)

*Frame, John. *The Doctrine of the Word of God*. (Write "Frame" in the search box.)

Printed Resources

Catechism of the Catholic Church. New York: Doubleday, 1995. For their view of Scripture and Tradition, see Part 1, Section 1, Chapter 2, Articles 1-3.

*Frame, John. *Doctrine of the Knowledge of God*. Phillipsburg: P&R, 1989.

*Frame, John. *The Doctrine of the Word of God*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian and Reformed, 2010.

Geisler, Norman, ed. *Inerrancy*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1980.

Godfrey, Robert, James White, R.C. Spoul and others. *Sola Scriptura; The Protestant Position on the Bible*.

Lindsell, Harold. *The Bible in the Balance*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1979.

Warfield, Benjamin B. *The Inspiration and Authority of the Bible*. Phillipsburg: P&R Publishing, 1948.

Young, Edward J. *Thy Word is Truth*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1957

Biblical Theology

Internet Resources

*Beginning with Moses

<http://beginningwithmoses.org/>

This website is dedicated especially to Biblical Theology. You can use the search box if you want to look for a topic or author. We suggest for example that you write in the names of the authors and the titles of the articles below:

Clowney, Edmund. "The Final Temple."

Gaffin, Richard B. "Systematic Theology and Biblical Theology."

Poythress, Vern S. "Kinds of Biblical Theology"

Bible Study Tools

<http://www.biblestudytools.com/>

This free online website contains many versions of the Bible, commentaries, encyclopedias, and dictionaries. To study Biblical Theology, we suggest you click on "Dictionaries" to locate the following:

Baker's Evangelical Dictionary of Biblical Theology

Use the alphabetical index to find articles on topics such as the "ark" or "Abraham" the "Angel of the Lord," "Theology of Genesis," or "Theology of Exodus," for example.

Kerux

<http://www.kerux.com/default.asp>

Click on "Online Archives" and type in an author or topic. We suggest you read for example:

Dennison, James T. "What is Biblical Theology?"

Monergism

<http://www.monergism.com/>

This website contains many articles on theology from a reformed perspective. To find articles on Biblical Theology, look at the first menu block on "Theology," click on "Biblical Theology," and scroll down to find articles and links.

*A Puritan's Mind

<http://www.apuritansmind.com/>

Search for the articles on the covenant listed below. You can write either the name of the author in the search box, or the subject matter ("covenant"). You may need to advance to another page to find the article (see page numbers at the bottom.)

*Hodge, A. A. "God's Covenants with Men"

*Hodge, Charles. "The Covenant"

Karlberg, Mark. W. "Reformed Interpretation of the Mosaic Covenant"

*Kline, Meredith. "Oath and Ordeal Signs," Parts 1 and 2.

[Reformation Ink / Christian Classics](#)

<http://homepage.mac.com/shanerosenthal/reformationink/classic.htm>

Scroll down to find articles listed in alphabetical order by author. We suggest for example the following articles:

Machen, J. Gresham. "Jesus and Paul."

Vos, Geerhardus. "The Idea of Biblical Theology"

_____. "The Kingdom of God and the Church"

*[Third Millennium](#)

<http://thirdmill.org/>

Our own main website contains countless resources.

Click on "Read" and "Pauline Studies" / "Theology" to find the following article:

"Law Survey"

Use the advanced search box to find the following articles. To find them more quickly, you may need to select "all of these words" and select only "articles."

Pratt, Richard L., Jr. "The Kingdom of God."

Vos, Geerhardus. "The Christ."

[The Upper Register](#)

<http://www.upper-register.com/index.html>

Click on "Papers" and find articles on Biblical Theology. For example, you might want to read the following:

Kline, Meredith. "What is a Covenant?"

_____. "Covenant Theology Under Attack"

Printed Resources

Gaffin, Richard B. Jr. *Resurrection and Redemption: A Study in Paul's Soteriology*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: P&R Publishing, 1987.

Kaiser, Walter C. Jr. *The Promise-Plan of God; a Biblical Theology of the Old and New Testaments*. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan, 2008.

Kline, Meredith. *God, Heaven, and Har Magedon; a Covenantal Tale of Cosmos and Telos*. Eugene Oregon: Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2006.

*Poythress, Verne S. *The Shadow of Christ in the Law of Moses*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: P&R Publishing, 1991.

*Pratt, Richard L. Jr. *He Gave Us Stories*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: P&R Publishing, 1993.

*Ridderbos, Herman. *Paul, an Outline of His Theology*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans Publishing, 1975.

_____ *Redemptive History and the New Testament Scriptures*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: P&R Publishing, 2001.

* _____ *The Pauline Eschatology*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: P&R Publishing, 1979.

*Robertson, O. Palmer. *The Christ of the Covenants*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: P&R Publishing, 1980.

*Vos, Geerhardus. *Biblical Theology, Old and New Testaments*. Eugene, Oregon: Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2003.

_____ *Eschatology of the Old Testament*. Phillipsburg, N.J.: P&R Publishing.

II. THE OLD TESTAMENT

Software for Bible Study in General

[Bible Gateway](#)

<http://www.biblegateway.com/versions/>

This free software has many versions of the Bible and some commentaries.

*[BibleWorks](#)

<http://www.bibleworks.com/>

This academic software has many versions of the Bible and tools for word search and morphological study.

[Bible Study Tools](#)

<http://www.biblestudytools.com/>

This free online website contains many versions of the Bible, commentaries, encyclopedias, and dictionaries.

[Bible Research](#)

<http://www.bible-researcher.com/index.html>

This site includes articles on topics such as the Greek text of the New Testament, the Hebrew manuscripts of the Old Testament, ancient versions of the Bible, the canon of the Bible, and interpretation of the Bible. Click on the general category of interest, then scroll down through the articles.

*[E-Sword](#)

<http://www.e-sword.net/>

This free software can be downloaded. It has many versions of the Bible, commentaries, and other resources.

*[Logos](#)

<http://www.logos.com/>

This software has an enormous library of commentaries, dictionaries, and other resources for pastoral and academic study, including Greek and Hebrew tools. Search engines allow following links to Bible passages and volumes of helpful information.

Dictionaries and Encyclopedias

New Bible Dictionary (3rd edition). Editors: D.R.W. Wood, N. Hillyer, J.D. Douglas and others. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1996.

Zondervan Illustrated Bible Dictionary. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1987.

Commentaries on the Complete Bible

Internet Resources

[Christ Notes](#)

<http://www.christnotes.org/>

Click on the commentaries by Matthew Henry (Presbyterian) or John Wesley (Methodist).

*[Christian Classics Ethereal Library](#)

<http://www.ccel.org/>

You can find the commentaries of Matthew Henry and John Calvin on this site. Just click on "Research" and write the name in the search box called "Book Title or Author."

*[Third Millennium](#)

<http://thirdmill.org/>

Our own main website contains countless resources. We suggest the following:

*Calvin, John. *Commentaries*.

To find Calvin's Commentaries, click on "Read," "Search by Author," and scroll down to "Medieval and Reformation Authors."

*Jamison, Fausset and Brown. *Commentaries*.

Click on "Read," "Search by Author," and scroll down to "Post-Reformation Authors." This series also includes articles on introductory information to different sections of the Bible.

Printed Resources

*MacArthur, John. *The MacArthur Bible Commentary*. Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 2005.

Carson, D.A., R.T. France, J.A. Motyer and others, editors. *New Bible Commentary*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1994.

Introductory Information on the Old Testament

*Archer, Gleason L., Jr., *A Survey of Old Testament Introduction*. Chicago: Moody Press, 1964.

*Dillard, Raymond B., and Tremper Longman. *An introduction to the Old Testament*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1994.

Lasor, Sanford, David Hubbard, and William Bush. *Old Testament Survey: The Message, Form, and Background of the Old Testament*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996.

*Scott, Jack B. *Survey of the Old Testament*. Lawrenceville, GA: Christian Education and Publications, 2002.

Commentaries on the Old Testament in General

Internet Resources

*[Bible Study Courses](http://biblestudycourses.org/)

<http://biblestudycourses.org/>

Rev. Don Ritsman provides commentaries on many books of the Bible, with an emphasis on practical application.

*[Christian Classics Ethereal Library](http://www.ccel.org/)

<http://www.ccel.org/>

To read some interesting background information on the Old Testament, we recommend you click on "Research" and write "Edersheim" in the box called "Book Title or Author" to find the following works:

*Edersheim, Alfred. *Sketches of Jewish Social Life*.

*_____. *The Temple; Its Ministry and Services*.

*[Philologos](http://philologos.org/)

<http://philologos.org/>

Type "Edersheim" in the search box and scroll down to find the following:

*Edersheim, Alfred. *The Bible History; Old Testament*.

Printed Resources

Harrison, R.K., and Hubbard, Robert L. Jr., editors. *New International Commentaries on the Old Testament* (various authors, on many books of the Old Testament) Grand Rapids: Eerdmans.

*Keil, C.F. and Delitzsch, Franz. *Commentary on the Old Testament*. Ten volumes. Hendrickson Publishers, 1996 (also Eerdmans, 1956).

Mathews, Kenneth A. *The New American Commentary, vol. 1A, Genesis 1-11:26*. Nashville: Broadman and Holman, 1996.

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Commentaries on the New Testament in General

Internet Resources

*[Bible Study Courses](http://biblestudycourses.org/)

<http://biblestudycourses.org/>

Rev. Don Ritsman provides commentaries on many books of the Bible, with an emphasis on practical application.

*[Frame-Poythress](http://www.frame-poythress.org/)

<http://www.frame-poythress.org/>

This website contains articles and books by these two important contemporary reformed theologians. To find an article, look under the corresponding author (Frame or Poythress), click on "Articles by Title," and scroll down to find the article in its alphabetical order.

We suggest you search especially for articles by Vern Poythress on different books of the New Testament, such as 2 Timothy, Acts, Johannine Studies, and Revelation.

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<http://www.frame-poythress.org/>

This website contains articles and books by these two important contemporary reformed theologians. To find an article, look under the corresponding author (Frame or Poythress), click on "Articles by Title," and scroll down to find the article in its alphabetical order.

We suggest you search especially for articles by John Frame on topics such as abortion, bioethics, civil disobedience, cloning, divorce, ethics, the fifth commandment, homosexuality, racism, slang, and war, for example.

*[Third Millennium](http://thirdmill.org/)

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Find Calvin, John. *Institutes of the Christian Religion*. Click on "Read," then "Electronic Books," "Browse by Author," scroll down to "Medieval and Reformation Authors," click on "Calvin, John," and find "Institutes of the Christian Religion."

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[CARM](#)

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Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry

Many articles explaining classical apologetics, presuppositional apologetics, evidentialist apologetics, as well as contemporary issues.

[Reasons to Believe](#)

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[Redeemer Presbyterian Church](#)

<http://www.redeemer.com/>

Church pastored by Tim Keller. Go to "Learn" and "Resources" to find articles on ministry.

[Third Millennium](#)

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