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## THE LIFE OF JESUS AS COVERED BY GOSPEL OF JOHN (shaded area)

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### COMMENTARIES THAT CAN BE BORROWED FROM ARCHIVE.ORG

**Explanation** - The following list includes not only commentaries but other Christian works by well known evangelical writers. Most of the resources below are newer works (written after 1970) which previously were available only for purchase in book form or in a Bible computer program. The resources are made freely available by archive.org but have several caveats - (1) they do not allow copy and paste, (2) they can only be checked out for one hour (but can be checked out immediately when your hour expires giving you time to read or take notes on a lengthy section) and (3) they require creating an account which allows you to check out the books free of charge. To set up an account click [archive.org](https://archive.org) and then click the picture of the person in right upper corner and enter email and a password. That's all you have to do. Then you can read these more modern resources free of charge! I have read or used many of these resources but not all of them so ultimately you will need to be a Berean (Acts 17:11+) as you use them. I have also selected works that are conservative and Biblically sound. If you find one that you think does not meet those criteria please send an email at <https://www.preceptaustin.org/contact>. The resources are listed in alphabetical order by the author's last name and some include reviews of the particular resource. For hundreds of other commentaries and books that can be borrowed see [Christian Commentaries Online](#).

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[God, are you there?](#) (Do You Care? Do You Know About Me?) by Arthur, Kay (1994) 246 pages. [61 ratings](#)

This is not a commentary but a guide to study of the Gospel of John, and one of the best guides available. If you want to meet Jesus or introduce him to someone who is willing to study the Gospel of John with you, this book is for you. You will be guided through the Gospel using inductive Bible study methods by one of the premier inductive teachers of our generation. This would also be an excellent book for small group Bible study of John. You will not be disappointed and hopefully you can use it to see another soul brought into the Kingdom by the Spirit and the Word in John's Gospel (Jn 20:31)!

[John - Life Application Commentary](#) - Bruce Barton, et al. (1993) 468 pages [33 ratings](#) Comments are not long but conservative often with excellent application points.

[John: Life Application Bible Studies](#) - 125 pages - study notes - not the same as the resource above.

[Life Application Study Bible](#): New Living Translation. Has some very helpful notes.

[The Gospel according to John](#) Pillar Commentary Series - Carson, D. A. (Donald Arthur), 1946-

[Jehovah's Witnesses, Jesus Christ, and the Gospel of John](#) by Bowman, Robert M

James Rosscup - He puts his focus on [John 1:1](#), answering Jehovah's Witnesses who have changed their line of argument from a few years ago. Bowman also deals with 8:58 and 20:28. For years Bowman has shown skill in refuting cultic error as associate editor of Christian Research Journal and in other capacities.

[The Gospel of John](#): by Bruce, F. F. (1994) 444 pages Grace Theological Journal - "A gold mine for the reader who desires to pursue the argument of the Gospel from the standpoint of the best of present-day scholarship." Rosscup ranks this the #4 (out of 8) best exegetical commentary.

**Rosscup** - Bruce gives a fresh translation of the Greek, much good commentary, a copious use of current literature, and application. Clarity prevails as he offers help for pastors, seminarians and lay people. At times, however, his vocabulary will mystify those not trained in languages, e. g. "sotto voce," p. 174; "ingressive

sense of the aorist," p. 246, etc. Overall it is a very fine commentary by one of the leading evangelicals of recent decades.

[John : the gospel of light and life](#) by Hillis, Don W [15 ratings](#) - highly rated by users.

Note this is not a commentary but a guided study with questions on many verses followed by a "test" (True/False) - Might be useful if you have never studied John. Also might be helpful to someone teaching (even preaching) John as it gives suggested questions.

[John - The NIV Application Commentary](#) by Burge, Gary M., 1952- (2000) 638 pages [131 ratings](#) or another source [16 ratings](#)

Rosscup - A Wheaton College professor seeks to interpret John in its Jewish flavor, i.e. with sensitivity to the OT rooting and Palestinian Judaism of Jesus' day. He uses such materials to see the Messianic aspects. Burge offers different views on some of the problems, such as "water and Spirit" in 3:6, and Peter's responses in 21:15–17. He gives background custom as for the events of the festival when Jesus invited drinking from Him (7:37–39), and footwashing in chap. 13. This does not mean that in all verses comments are adequate (cf. 15:2, 6, for example) to nail details down distinctly, or look at views. Since this series often just sums up passages, remarks on some verses can be difficult and slow to be located, or at times not be there due to the generalities. Some key verses are handled too quickly, or only partially (cf. 10:28, 29). The comments are sufficient at times, but not consistently enough to put the work among the more dependable.

[John: the Gospel of Life](#) by Burge, Gary M., (2008) 148 pages - This is a study guide not a commentary.

[Interpreting the fourth Gospel](#) by Burge, Gary (1996) 196 pages - A Guide to New Testament [Exegesis](#). Not a commentary, but an interesting resource. For example on [page 125](#) there is lengthy discussion on Word Studies in John including a section entitled "[Fundamental Rules of Word Study](#)." and another entitled "[Common Johannine Word Study Errors](#)."

[Interpreting the Gospel of John : a practical guide](#) by Burge, Gary M., (2013) 244 pages - Apparently the revised edition of the resource directly above.

[Evangelical Commentary on the Bible](#) - editor Walter Elwell (1989) 1239 pages. [User reviews](#). Burge, Gary. "John," in Evangelical Commentary

James Rosscup - Although brief, Burge shows awareness of issues and often uses his space well to provide help.

[The theology of John](#) by Cook, W. Robert

Cyril Barber - A detailed examination of Johannine literature covering all the major areas of thought. A worthy contribution to this area of biblical theology. Recommended.

[Anatomy of the Fourth Gospel : a study in literary design](#) by Culpepper, R. Alan

Cyril Barber - Competent interdisciplinary studies in English are rare. This one explores John and makes ample use of modern redactional works to highlight the poetics, narrative structure, and other aspects of the gospel. The result is a stimulating, scholarly work

[The Beloved Disciple ... his name, his story, his thought : two studies from the Gospel of John](#) by Eller, Vernard

Cyril Barber - An informative and unorthodox approach to the authorship and theology of the fourth gospel. With tongue-in-cheek Eller uses the techniques of Sherlock Holmes to unravel the mystery of authorship. His conclusion will surprise some and irritate others. A lively discussion.

[The Gospel of John: an exposition](#) by Erdman, Charles R.

Rosscup - Concise treatments are given to each of the N. T. books. The main value of the set lies in its clear synthesis which helps the student grasp the flow of thought as he moves through a book. Erdman possessed a lucid writing style. He was amillennial.

[A guide to John's Gospel](#) by Guthrie, Donald

Cyril Barber - In order to promote more expositional study of the biblical text--especially among lay persons--Guthrie has prepared this collection of outlines on the Gospel of John. While his aim is to lay bare what the text actually says, his guiding purpose is to assist Christians understand how Scripture may be applied to their lives. To achieve this goal, Guthrie has divided John's gospel into sections. His knowledge of the NT is incisive, and his skill as a Bible teacher places all readers in his debt. This is an extremely helpful little volume

and is as concise as it is relevant. Recommended.

[John, the gospel of faith](#) by Harrison, Everett Falconer, 1902- from Everyman's Bible Commentary series. Conservative, but not much depth.

[Exposition of the Gospel according to John](#) by Hendriksen, William, 1900-1982 (1953) 526 pages [19 ratings](#)

**Rosscup** - Trained in the Christian Reformed tradition, Hendriksen is thoroughly conservative and believes in plenary verbal inspiration. He served for ten years as Professor of New Testament Literature in Calvin Seminary. His introductions are quite extended and carefully written. In his commentary, which is very usable, he first presents a brief synthetic outline of a section, follows up with a detailed discussion verse-by-verse, then gives a survey of the argument in that section. His footnote discussions show a wide breadth of reading. He is usually quite helpful on problems, Greek word meanings, and matters of history, culture or geography. There are many stimulating sermon hints and devotional thoughts. He is good in presenting several different views to a question and documenting them thoroughly. He is amillennial in matters pertaining to the kingdom (cf. his comment on 10:16 as well as his book *More Than Conquerors*, pp. 222ff.). Though the author is very helpful in the Greek, the manner of discussion can be extremely valuable to the layman.

[Behold the Man \(Expository Studies in the Gospel of John 11-21\)](#) by R. Kent Hughes (1984) 184 pages Rosscup ranks Hughes work on John's Gospel #3 (out of 6) in the devotional category.

[John: That You May Believe](#) (536 pages)

Cyril Barber on Hughes' "John: That you May Believe" - An expositional commentary of **rare excellence**. Covers the theme of John's gospel in the best evangelical tradition. **Designed for lay people.**

[Light in the darkness : studies in the Gospel of John](#) by Kent, Homer Austin (1974) 244 pages [2 ratings](#) Rosscup ranks this is the #2 most useful expositional commentary on John.

Rosscup - Kent's paragraph-by-paragraph survey of John's Gospel deals with some of the main problem areas in exposition. It is geared to be a guide for personal or group study. Kent utilizes photographs, maps, and diagrams. It is a good expositional survey by an evangelical (former President, Grace Theological Seminary, Winona Lake, IN).

[Encountering John : the Gospel in historical, literary, and theological perspective](#) by Köstenberger, Andreas J.,

Cyril Barber (on Kostenberger's "Exegetical Commentary on the NT") This commentary follows several other works on John's Gospel written by Kostenberger. The writer treats this canonical book as historically reliable, the product of careful composition, that sets forth Christ as the Son of God in a way that would lead readers to faith in Him. A scholarly production.

[The Gospel of John](#) by Michaels, J. Ramsey - New International Commentary New Testament - Mathison writes "preachers may want to consult the commentaries by" and then mentions this author.

[The Gospel According to John : An Introduction and Commentary](#) by Kruse, Colin G (2008) 404 pages = Note this is not his more detailed work in the Pillar Commentary Series but his shorter work in the Tyndale NT Commentary Series. See [reviews](#) although I think these are primarily on the newer edition (2017). They should still give you a good idea of the value of his original edition.

[John](#) by Fredrikson, Roger (The Communicator's Commentary) - now published as the Preacher's Commentary. 4.9/5 stars. These are generally helpful for preaching as they often have illustrations, etc. Read some of the glowing reviews = [10 ratings](#) or [reviews](#).

Or here = [The Communicator's Commentary. John](#) - identical to above

[The Gospel according to John : the English text with introduction, exposition and notes](#) - New International Commentary New Testament by Morris, Leon

Cyril Barber - A work of superlative scholarship that not only replaces the majestic work by Westcott but surpasses Barrett as well.

Rosscup ranks this is the #5 most useful exegetical commentary on John.

[Reflections on the Gospel of John](#) by Morris, Leon - 776 pages (2000)

[Studies in the fourth Gospel](#) by Morris, Leon - 382 pages (1969) This is not his commentary in the NICNT listed above, but his writing are always generally excellent. One user writes "This volume concerns

controversies over authorship, date, and theological questions that Leon Morris deliberately didn't address in his full commentary."

[Secrets of the Spirit](#) by Stedman, Ray C (1977) 164 pages = [Also online at this link](#) - PDF's of the 12 sermons in this series given in 1973 at Peninsula Bible Church. Entire series, [one html file](#) or [one Adobe Acrobat .pdf file](#)

Cyril Barber - As an exposition of Christ's "last will and testament," these studies of John 14-16 ably treat the events that took place on the eve of the crucifixion

[Preaching the Gospel of John : proclaiming the living Word](#) by Williamson, Lamar. 347 pages. See [Ratings](#) - Interesting format - not a classic commentary. A quick review suggests it might have some helpful hints on preaching the texts.

[Christ the liberator](#) by Stott, John R. W

James Rosscup - This book has other messages at Urbana, 1970, but Stott's expositions on John 13-17 fill the first 89 pages. In the opinion of the reviewer, they are some of the best ever published with respect to coming right to grips with the message for Christians in a concise focus. Stott is well-organized in elucidating the passage, and he brings key issues out clearly in their application to spiritual living and representing Christ in the world.

[Insights on John](#) by Swindoll, Charles R (2010) 376 pages [214 ratings](#)

[Logos.com](#) - Insights on John, volume two in the landmark *Swindoll's New Testament Insights* series, provides a wealth of colorful, detailed, and easy-to-understand insights into the gospel of John. Drawing on his vast experience as a communicator of God's Word, Chuck Swindoll presents his legacy to all who read and love the Bible.

[Following Christ ... the man of God : a study of John 6-14](#) by Swindoll, Charles (2000) 132 pages

[The Gospel of John: Believe and Live: Believe and Live \(21st Century Biblical Commentary Series\)](#) by Towns, Elmer L (2002) 264 pages [47 ratings](#)

Cyril Barber - This book is the fruit of the author's "lifelong love affair with the gospel of John." Through word studies from the Greek text, Towns presents the immense riches to be found in John's unique message. He explains that "John's ultimate purpose is that his readers will believe the record of the life and death of the Son of God and receive eternal life."

[The Gospel according to St. John : an introduction and commentary](#) by Tasker, R. V. G. [1 ratings](#)

[The Complete Biblical library / Vol. 5 : Part 1, New Testament : Study Bible, John](#)- interesting resource. Includes interlinear and commentary notes.

[Believe in Miracles but Trust in Jesus](#) by Rogers, Adrian - This is not a commentary on John but does have chapters dealing with some of Jesus' miracles in John - [The Possibility of Miracles](#), [The Problem with Miracles](#), [Water to Wine](#) (John 2), [Nobleman's Son Healed](#) (John 4), [Healing the Impotent Man](#) (John 5), [Feeding the 5000](#) (John 6), [Calming the Storm](#) (John 6), [Opening Blind Eyes](#) (John 9), [Raising Lazarus](#) (John 11), [The Maximum Miracle \(John 20:30-31\)](#). I will guarantee you that if you are preaching or teaching on any of the preceding chapters in John, you will glean many "pearls" from Dr Rogers' discussion. I give it "6 out of 5 stars!" [42 ratings](#)

[Commentary on John](#) by Whitelaw, Thomas

Cyril Barber - Formerly published as the Gospel of St. John. A verse-by-verse exposition with homiletic hints. Seminal. Evangelical.

[Be alive \(John 1-12\): Get to Know the Living Savior](#) by Wiersbe, Warren (1986) 160 pages. [277 ratings](#)

Logos.com - As he studied and wrote this book, Dr. Warren Wiersbe "felt like a man standing on holy ground." For he realized all the more the truth of the statement of the great Greek scholar Dr. A. T. Robertson: The Gospel of John is "the profoundest book in the world." In *Be Alive*, Dr. Wiersbe presents the basic teachings of the first twelve chapters of John's Gospel and urges readers to approach its truths with the hearts and minds of worshipers. Come to better know the living Savior and... BE ALIVE!

[Be Transformed \(John 13-21\): Christ's Triumph Means Your Transformation](#) by Wiersbe, Warren (1986) 160 pages. [377 ratings](#)

**Logos.com** - Yes, they became transformed men, those original disciples. In the opening chapters of John's Gospel, you see a group of men who were struggling with their faith and occasionally stumbling. But after

Christ's death and resurrection, things changed--because they became transformed by His power and His Word. In completing his study of John's Gospel (see *Be Alive* for John 1-12). Dr. Warren Wiersbe explains how you can become a transformed person. He answers such important questions as:

- How does the Holy Spirit work in my life?
- What are the secrets of answered prayer?
- Why is Christian fellowship so important?
- How can I overcome the pressures of the world?

"But as many as received Him, to them gave the power to become..." (John 1:12). This is your invitation to personal transformation and triumph!

[Wiersbe's Expository Outlines on the New Testament](#) by Wiersbe, Warren W

[Cyril Barber](#) - This is a book of exceptional merit. Pastors, missionaries, and Christian workers will profit from its use. Wiersbe introduces each book of the NT, provides an outline, and then furnishes his readers with a chapter-by-chapter discussion of the contents. The homiletic style is a "plus." Recommended.

[With the Word](#) - Devotional Commentary - Warren Wiersbe - Comments on individual chapters.

[The Bible Exposition Commentary](#) by Wiersbe, Warren W - All NT books in one source. Excellent. Or [here](#)

Rosscup - One of America's most appreciated staunchly evangelical Bible conference teachers gives diligent, refreshing expositions. These are all of his 23 separate, earlier books in the "Be" series on the New Testament. He strikes a particular appeal with lay people as he crystallizes sections, deals with some of the verses, handles certain problems and backgrounds and applies principles. He is premillennial.

[Windows on the parables](#) by Wiersbe, Warren

[Interpreting the parables](#) by Blomberg, Craig

[The Gospel of John](#) - William Barclay - Be aware of some questions about his orthodoxy! ([critique](#)) While William Barclay often has very insightful Greek word studies, the Berean-like reader ([Acts 17:11](#)) needs to be aware that he does hold some very unorthodox beliefs. See [on site comments](#) and also see article on [The Enigmatic William Barclay](#)"

[John](#) by Beasley-Murray, George Raymond, - Word Biblical Commentary - gets about 4/5 stars.

[One readers review](#) - Given the comprehensiveness of most volumes in the Word series, one would expect more from this volume. It isn't bad by any stretch, but far less detailed and thorough than I had wanted. I don't see much in this which isn't available from other commentaries on John.

[The Gospel of John](#) by Witherington, Ben, III, [13 ratings](#) - Read some of the ratings to get an idea of the nature of this book.

[Chronological and Background Charts of the NEW TESTAMENT - Pdf](#) - D Wayne House - outstanding compilation of charts - check this one out!. This book can also be borrowed = [Chronological and background charts of the New Testament](#)

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## STUDY BIBLES:

**Note: The first 4 resources have no time restriction and allow copy and paste function:**

(1) [KJV Bible Commentary](#) - Hindson, Edward E; Kroll, Woodrow Michael. Over 3000 pages of the entire OT/NT. Well done conservative commentary that interprets Scripture from a literal perspective. Pre-millennial. [User reviews](#) - it generally gets 4/5 stars from users. - [372 ratings](#)

Very well done conservative commentary that interprets Scripture from a literal perspective [user reviews](#)

The King James Version Bible Commentary is a complete verse-by-verse commentary. It is comprehensive in scope, reliable in scholarship, and easy to use. Its authors are leading evangelical theologians who provide practical truths and biblical principles. Any Bible student will gain new insights through this one-volume commentary based on the timeless King James Version of the Bible.

(2) [The King James Study Bible Second Edition](#) 2240 pages (2013) (Thomas Nelson) General Editor - Edward Hindson with multiple contributing editors. . [3,194 ratings](#). Pre-millennial. See [introduction on How to Use this Study Bible](#)



(3) [NKJV Study Bible: New King James Version Study Bible](#) (formerly "The Nelson Study Bible - NKJV") by Earl D Radmacher; Ronald Barclay Allen; Wayne H House. 2345 pages. (1997, 2007). Very helpful notes. Conservative. Pre-millennial. [917 ratings](#)

(4) [The Wycliffe Bible Commentary - only the New Testament](#) (for OT see below to borrow) - 1126 pages. (1971) Everett F Harrison - Editor of New Testament. Uses the KJV. Strictly speaking not a study Bible, but short notes are similar. KJV text in left column, commentary notes in right column. The comments are generally verse by verse, short, conservative and to the point. Pre-millennial.

Quote from **Henry Alford** (1810-1871 - not a dispensationalist!) on Revelation 20 - "It will have been long ago anticipated by the readers of this Commentary, that I cannot consent to distort words from their plain sense and chronological place in the prophecy, on account of any considerations of difficulty, or any risk of abuses which the doctrine of the millennium may bring with it. Those who lived next to the Apostles, and the whole Church for 300 years, understood them in the plain literal sense: and it is a strange sight in these days to see expositors who are among the first in reverence of antiquity, complacently casting aside the most cogent instance of consensus which primitive antiquity presents. As regards the text itself, no legitimate treatment of it will extort what is known as the spiritual interpretation now in fashion."

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[Dictionary of Biblical Imagery](#) - free for use online with no restrictions (i.e., you do not need to borrow this book). Editors Leland Ryken, J C Wilhoit, Tremper Longman III - This is a potential treasure chest to aid your preaching and teaching as it analyzes the meaning of a host of Biblical figures of speech. **Clue** - use the "One-page view" which then allows you to copy and paste text. One downside is there is no index, so you need to search 3291 pages for entries which are alphabetical.

[Zondervan NIV Study Bible](#) - (2011) 2570 pages - Use this one if available as it has more notes than edition below. One hour limit

[NIV Study Bible](#) by Barker, Kenneth L; Burdick, Donald W (1995) 2250 pages. This is the first edition. This resource has been fully revised in 2020. One hour limit

[Believer's Bible Commentary](#) - OT and NT - MacDonald, William (1995) 2480 pages. Conservative. Literal. Often has very insightful comments. John MacArthur, says "Concise yet comprehensive - the most complete single-volume commentary I have seen." Warren Wiersbe adds "For the student who is serious about seeing Christ in the Word." One hour limit.

Rosscup - This work, originally issued in 1983, is conservative and premillennial, written to help teachers, preachers and people in every walk of life with different views, explanation and application. The 2-column format runs verse by verse for the most part, usually in a helpfully knowledgeable manner, and there are several special sections such as "Prayer" in Acts and "Legalism" in Galatians. The premillennial view is evident on [Acts 1:6](#), [3:20](#), [Romans 11:26](#), [Galatians 6:16](#), Revelation 20, etc.

[HCSB Study Bible : Holman Christian Standard Bible](#) - General Editor Jeremy Royal Howard (2010) 2360 pages. Conservative. Good notes. Include Holmans excellent maps. One hour limit

[Life Application Study Bible: Old Testament and New Testament](#) New Living Translation. Has some very helpful notes especially with application of texts. [4,445 ratings](#) One hour limit

[The MacArthur Study Bible](#) - John MacArthur. Brief but well done notes for conservative, literal perspective. [1,275 ratings](#)

[ESV Study Bible](#) - Excellent resource but not always literal in eschatology and the nation of Israel [6,004 ratings](#)

[The David Jeremiah Study Bible](#) - (2013) 2208 pages. [2,272 ratings Logos.com](#) - "Drawing on more than 40 years of study, Dr. David Jeremiah has compiled a legacy resource that will make an eternal impact on generations to come. 8,000 study notes. Hundreds of enriching word studies"50+ Essentials of the Christian Faith" articles."

[Wycliffe Bible Commentary](#) - Charles Pfeiffer - 1560 pages (1962). [214 ratings](#) Less detailed than the KJV Bible Commentary. Conservative. Notes are generally verse by verse but brief.

Rosscup - Conservative and premillennial scholars here have been experts in their fields. The work contains brief introductions and attempts to give a verse-by-verse exposition, though it does skip over some verses. The treatments vary with the authors, but as a whole it is a fine one-volume commentary for pastors and students to use or give to a layman. Outstanding sections include, for example: Whitcomb on Ezra-Nehemiah-Esther; Culver on Daniel; Ladd on Acts; Harrison on Galatians; Johnson on I Corinthians; and Ryrie on the Johannine Epistles.

[The Defender's Study Bible : King James Version](#) by Morris, Henry M. Excellent notes by well known creationist. [45 ratings](#)

[New Bible Commentary](#) - (1994) [See user reviews](#)

[Compact Bible commentary](#) by Radmacher, Earl D; Allen, Ronald Barclay; House, H Wayne, et al - 954 pages. [424 ratings](#) Multiple contributors to the comments which are often verse by verse. The comments are brief but meaty and can really help your study through a given book. A sleeper in my opinion.

[The Experiencing God Study Bible: the Bible for knowing and doing the will of God](#) - Blackaby, Henry (1996) 1968 pages - CHECK THIS ONE! Each chapter begins with several questions under the title "PREPARE TO MEET GOD." Then you will interesting symbols before many of the passages. The chapter ends with a "DID YOU NOTICE?" question. This might make a "dry chapter" jump off the page! Read some of the [48 ratings](#)

[NLT Study Bible](#) (Illustration Version)

[Disciple's Study Bible: New international version 54 ratings](#) Not that helpful for verse by verse study. Focuses on application of Christian doctrines. 10,000 annotations; doctrinal summaries, "Life Helps" section relate doctrine to everyday discipleship.

[The Living Insights Study Bible : New International Version](#) - Charles Swindoll. Notes are good but somewhat sparse and not verse by verse.

[The Apologetics Study Bible Understand Why You Believe](#) by Norman Geisler

[NIV Archaeological Study Bible](#) (2005) 2360 pages [950 ratings](#) (See also [Archaeology and the Bible - OT and NT](#))

"Readers who desire a more intimate knowledge of the historical context of the Bible will appreciate the NIV Archaeological Study Bible. Full of informative articles and full-color photographs of places and objects from biblical times, this Bible examines the archaeological record surrounding God's Word and brings the biblical world to life. Readers' personal studies will be enriched as they become more informed about the empires, places, and peoples of the ancient world. Features include: • Four-color interior throughout • Bottom-of-page study notes exploring passages that speak on archaeological and cultural facts • Articles (520) covering five main categories: Archaeological Sites, Cultural and Historical Notes, Ancient Peoples and Lands, the Reliability of the Bible, and Ancient Texts and Artifacts • Approximately 500 4-color photographs interspersed throughout • Detailed book introductions that provide basic, at-a-glance information • Detailed charts on pertinent topics • In-text color maps that assist the reader in placing the action "

[NIV Cultural Backgrounds Study Bible. Bringing to Life the Ancient World of Scripture](#) Keener, Craig and Walton, John. Editors (2017)

[The Holman Illustrated Study Bible 120 ratings](#) Includes the excellent Holman maps but otherwise of little help in serious study.

[Zondervan King James Version Commentary](#) - New Testament

[NIV Celebrate Recovery Study Bible](#)

[Daily Study Bible for Women : New Living Translation](#)

[The Woman's Study Bible : the New King James Version](#)

[The Study Bible for Women : Holman Christian Standard Bible](#)

[Daily Study Bible for Men : New Living Translation](#)

[NIV Topical Study Bible : New International Version](#)

[Ryrie Study Bible](#) - Charles Ryrie (1978) 2142 pages. Conservative. [216 ratings](#)

[Ryrie Study Bible Expanded Edition](#) (1994) 2232 pages

[The Hebrew-Greek Key Study Bible : New American standard study](#) by Strong, James, 1822-1894; Zodhiates, Spiros

[The New Inductive Study Bible : updated New American Standard Bible](#) - Introductions of each book give suggestions how to perform an inductive study on that specific book. Not strictly speaking a "study Bible" with notes but a Bible to help you study inductively. Has wide margins for making notes. This is one that works best in "paper," not digitally.

[Evangelical Commentary on the Bible](#) - Judges by Andrew Boling (20 pages); editor Walter Elwell (1989) 1239 pages. [User reviews](#). (See also Boling's [380 page commentary on Judges](#) the Anchor Bible Series)

[Halley's Bible Handbook](#) Henry H. Halley - (2000) 2720 pages (much larger than original edition in 1965 and no time limit on use).



([Halley's Bible handbook : an abbreviated Bible commentary - one hour limit](#) 1965 872 pages)

Rosscup - A much-used older evangelical handbook bringing together a brief commentary on Bible books, some key archaeological findings, historical background, maps, quotes, etc. It is helpful to a lay Bible teacher, Sunday School leader, or pastor looking for quick, pertinent information on a Bible book. This is the 72nd printing somewhat revised. Halley packed in much information. Unger's is better overall, but that is not to say that Halley's will not provide much help on basic information.

[The Shaw Pocket Bible Handbook](#) - Editor - Walter Elwell (1984) 408 pages.

"This hardback is small in size but packed full of content: Brief summaries of every book of the bible, cultural, archaeological and historical info, word definitions, pictures, maps and charts." Worth checking!

## MORE SERMONS AND COMMENTARIES

### MAX ALDERMAN

- [The Gospel of John \(360 page Pdf\)](#)

### HENRY ALFORD - Greek Testament Critical Exegetical Commentary

**Spurgeon** - Alford's Greek Testament "for the use of Theological Students and Ministers," is an invaluable aid to the critical study of the text of the New Testament.

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

### HENRY ALFORD - New Testament for English Readers

**James Rosscup** writes that Alford's series on the New Testament "contains much that is valuable in the Greek New Testament...though all of the Greek New Testament words have been changed to English throughout." ([Commentaries for Biblical Expositors](#))

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

### PAUL APPLE

- [John Commentary - Believe and Live - The Gospel of John \(372 page Pdf\)](#)

### WILLIAM BARCLAY Daily Study Bible Commentary

**D Edmond Hiebert** comments - (Barclay) Prints the author's own translation. A series of popular studies well adapted to the lay reader. Barclay is strongest in his study of word meanings. Contains good illustrative material. ([An Introduction to the NT](#))

[See caveats](#) regarding Barclay's theology.

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

### ALBERT BARNES

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

### BRIAN BELL

- [John 5:1-16 Pool of Bethesda](#)
- [John 5:16-47 Can I Get a Witness](#)

### CHRIS BENFIELD - Studies in Gospel of John

Each study is about 5 pages. These are well done.

- [John 5:1-9 The Great Physician](#)
- [John 5:19-29 Passing from Death unto Life](#)

#### JOHANN BENGEL - Gnomon of the New Testament (1877)

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### JOSEPH BENSON

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### BETHANY BIBLE

- [John 5:1-15 Lessons by the Pool](#)

#### BRIAN BILL - SERMONS GOSPEL OF JOHN

#### BIBLICAL ILLUSTRATOR

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### KEN BOA

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### JIM BOMKAMP

- [Expository Bible Study Notes for John - 48 messages](#) - click for notes on chapter
- John 5:1-16 ["Jesus Heals A Crippled Man At The Pool Of Bethesda By The Sheep's Gate In Jerusalem"](#)
- John 5:17-29 ["Jesus Begins To Describe The Essence Of His Divine Nature To Some Jews Accusing Him Of Breaking The Sabbath"](#)
- John 5:30-47 ["Jesus Continues To Defend Himself For Healing On The Sabbath By Revealing Those Who Testify Of Him"](#)

#### BRIDGEWAY COMMENTARY

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### WILLIAM BURKITT

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### JOHN CALVIN

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### CAMBRIDGE BIBLE - Alfred Plummer

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### CAMBRIDGE GREEK TESTAMENT FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES - Alfred Plummer

**D Edmond Hiebert** review - Greek text. Valuable introduction espouses the conservative view regarding introductory problems. The notes on the Greek text set forth its meaning concisely. ([An Introduction to the NT](#))

**Cyril Barber** - Plummer, Alfred. The Gospel According to St. John. Published a century ago, this study of the Greek text of John's gospel first appeared in the Cambridge Greek Testament.

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## ALAN CARR

- [John 4:1-30 A Trusting Moment](#)
- [John 4:1-30 Jesus: The Soul Winner](#)
- [John 4:20-24 Experiencing God Through Personal Worship](#)
- [John 4:20-30 The Synopsis Of Biblical Worship](#)
- [John 4:23-30 A Glimpse Of Pure Faith](#)

## RICH CATHERS

- [John 5:1-9](#)
- [John 5:10-23](#)
- [John 5:24-30](#)
- [John 5:30-47](#)
- **1995 SERIES**
- [John 5:1-9](#)
- [John 5:10-16](#)
- [John 5:17-29](#)
- [John 5:30-47](#)

## ADAM CLARKE

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## STEVEN COLE

- [26: The Impotence of Religion, the Power of Christ \(John 5:1-16\)](#)
- [27: Is Jesus Crazy or is He God? \(John 5:17-23\)](#)
- [28: Eternal Life or Judgment? \(John 5:24-30\)](#)
- [29: The Witnesses to Jesus \(John 5:30-40\)](#)
- [30: What Keeps People from Christ \(John 5:39-47\)](#)

## COLLEGE PRESS - PAUL BUTLER - Gospel of John

NOTE: This is potentially a useful resource but be aware it is from the perspective of [Church of Christ](#). Be a Berean - Acts 17:11<sup>+</sup>.

- [Part 1 \(268 pages\)](#)
- [Part 2 \(482 pages\)](#)

## THOMAS CONSTABLE

- [John 5 Commentary](#)
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## W A CRISWELL

- [John 5:45 OUR FRIENDS AT THE JUDGMENT](#)
- [John 5:4 WHAT IS THE BIBLE?](#)
- [John 5:30 GOD JUDGES AMERICA](#)
- [John 5:8-9 WAITING FOR THE MOVING OF THE WATER](#)
- [John 5:49 OUR FRIENDS AT THE JUDGMENT](#)
- [John 5:25-29 OUR BELOVED DEAD](#)
- [John 5:39 WHAT DO THE SCRIPTURES SAY?](#)

## RON DANIEL

- [Gospel of John - 41 Messages](#) - click for sermon notes on chapter

#### J N DARBY

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### BOB DEFFINBAUGH

- [12. Jesus Heals the Man at the Pool of Bethesda \(John 5:1-18\)](#)
- [13. Like Father, Like Son \(John 5:19-30\)](#)
- [14. Why the Jews Are Against Jesus \(John 5:31-47\)](#)

#### JOHN DUMMELOW

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### J LIGON DUNCAN - sermon transcripts - also Derek Thomas, David Strain

- [John 5:1-18 Surprise!](#)
- [John 5:1-17 Do You Want to Be Healed?](#)
- [John 5:1-15 Poolside Miracle](#)
- [John 5:16-25 I've No Idea Who He Was](#)

#### EARLY CHURCH

- John [1](#) [2](#) [3](#) [4](#) [5](#) [6](#) [7](#) [8](#) [9](#) [10](#) [11](#) [12](#) [13](#) [14](#) [15](#) [16](#) [17](#) [18](#) [19](#) [20](#) [21](#)

#### JUSTIN EDWARDS - Family Bible NT

- [John 5](#)

#### EASY ENGLISH

- [John Commentary](#)

#### CHARLES ELLICOTT

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### EXPLORE THE BIBLE

- [John 5: Real Life or Judgment?](#)

#### EXPOSITOR'S BIBLE

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### EXPOSITORY DICTIONARY

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### EXPOSITOR'S GREEK - Marcus Dods

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### DON FORTNER - sermon transcripts on the Gospel of John

- [Sermons on John - 98 files](#) - click for notes on chapter
- [Sermons on John 132 files](#) - click for notes on chapter

#### A C GAEBELEIN

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### JOHN GILL

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### FREDERIC GODET

**Rosscup** - A good scholar is at his best here. He is exhaustive and excellent, though this work is old. ([Commentaries for Biblical Expositors](#))

**D Edmond Hiebert** - An older commentary by a noted conservative French scholar of the past century. Still outstanding as an evangelical interpretation of the fourth gospel, even if unaware of recent critical trends. ([An Introduction to the NT](#))

- [Commentary on John - Volume 1 - John 1](#) - massive introduction (328 pages)
- [Commentary on John - Volume 2 - John 2-10](#)

#### GOTQUESTIONS - Related to the Gospel of John

- [What happened at the Pool of Bethesda?](#)
- [Why did Jesus ask the man at the Pool of Bethesda, "Do you want to be made well?" \(John 5:6\)?](#)
- [What is the significance of Jesus telling the lame man to, "Take up your bed and walk" \(John 5:8\)?](#)
- [Why did Jesus heal on the Sabbath?](#)
- [What does it mean that Jesus made Himself equal with God \(John 5:18\)?](#)

#### L M GRANT

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### JAMES GUNN - 61 expositions - click below for section under which are multiple individual expositions

- [Expositions From The Gospel Of John - John 4-5](#)

#### DAVE GUZIK

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### W HALL HARRIS

- [Exegetical Commentary on John 5](#)

#### SCOTT HARRIS - Grace Bible Church - sermon transcripts on Gospel of John

- [John 4:43-5:18 Two Miracles, Two Responses](#)
- [John 5:19-29 The Son Who Can Give Life](#)
- [John 5:30-47 The Four-Fold Witness of Christ](#)

#### NORMAN HARRISON

- [John: Life, Love and Light: Gospel and Epistle of John](#)
- [Life, Love and Light - Gospel and Epistle of John - 1929](#)

#### JAMES HASTINGS

## ROBERT HAWKER

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## MATTHEW HENRY

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## E W HENGSTENBERG

**Rosscup** - This work, recently reprinted, has much judicious material tying the thought to Old Testament background theology. At times it is very provocative (cf. on Jn. 1:15, 30, "He is preferred before me," italics mine). Hengstenberg is one of the towering older names, well-known for Christology of the Old Testament, for example. ([Commentaries for Biblical Expositors](#))

**Cyril Barber** - Rich in grammatical and syntactical insights, this reverent and devout work ably treats the life and labors of Christ as recorded in John's gospel. A rewarding work that will handsomely repay the time spent reading it.

- [Commentary on the Gospel of John Volume 1](#) (John 1-8)

## F B HOLE

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## DAVID HOLWICK over 75 sermon transcripts - frequent illustrations

- [John 5:21-25 Have You Had Your Easter?](#)
- [John 5:21-29 New Life in Christ](#)
- [John 5:24-25 Now Or Never](#)

## HOMILETICS

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## BARRY HORNER

- [John 2:1-6:71 The Public Ministry of Jesus Christ Part I](#)

## ALVAH HOVEY

**D Edmond Hiebert** review - Greek text. A full verse-by-verse exposition of John by an accomplished conservative Baptist scholar of the past century. Still valuable for its unfolding of the meaning of the text. ([An Introduction to the NT](#))

- [Commentary on the Gospel of John \(1885\)](#)

## ICC NT COMMENTARY - J H BERNARD

**D Edmond Hiebert** review - Greek text. A 180-page introduction, in which the author rejects the traditional view of authorship, deals fully with the critical problems. The commentary is based on the author's rearrangement of the text of the gospel. Valuable for the **discerning advanced** student. ([An Introduction to the NT](#))

**Rosscup** - Bernard, J. A. Gospel According to St. John (**International Critical Commentary**). Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark, 1928. **A liberal work**, now outdated as to literature but long held in high esteem on critical and exegetical matters.

- [John 5 Commentary](#)



## H A IRONSIDE - NOTES

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## IVP COMMENTARY - Rodney A Whitacre

- [The Opening Revelation of the Glory Reaches a Climax \(5:1-15\)](#)
- [The Conflict Begins \(5:16-18\)](#)
- [Jesus Delivers His Keynote Address: The Revelation of the Father's Son \(5:19-30\)](#)
- [Jesus Concludes His Keynote Address \(5:31-47\)](#)

## JAMIESON, FAUSSET, BROWN - Abridged

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## JAMIESON, FAUSSET, BROWN - Unabridged

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## S LEWIS JOHNSON - Sermons

- [John 5:1-18 The Healing of the Impotent Man](#)
- [John 5:19-30 The Dead and the Voice of the Son of God](#)
- [John 5:31-47 A Seven-Fold Testimony to Christ](#)

## HAMPTON KEATHLEY IV

- [John 5:1-15 Healing of the Man at Bethesda](#)

## WILLIAM KELLY

**D Edmond Hiebert** review - The material in this volume of 650 two-column pages is divided into four parts under each section of the gospel: textual and grammatical; exegetical and critical; doctrinal and ethical; homiletical and practical. While much of the material is dated, it contains an abundance of riches for those willing to dig into its contents. ([An Introduction to the NT](#))

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## PAUL KRETZMANN - Lutheran commentator

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## LANGE'S COMMENTARY

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## DAVID LEGGE - sermons on the Gospel of John

## JOHN LIGHTFOOT

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## JOHN MACARTHUR

- [John 5:1–16 The Damning Power of False Religion](#)
- [John 5:17–20 The Most Startling Claim Ever Made, Part 1](#)
- [John 5:21–24 The Most Startling Claim Ever Made, Part 2](#)
- [John 5:25–29 The Dead Will Hear Christ](#)

- [John 5:30–37 Testimony to the Deity of Christ, Part 1](#)
- [John 5:37–40 Testimony to the Deity of Christ, Part 2](#)
- [John 5:41-47 Testimony to the Deity of Christ, Part 3](#)

#### JOHN MACARTHUR'S QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- [John 5 An Ungrateful Response to Jesus](#)

#### JOHN MACDUFF

- [John 4 Noontide at Sychar - 14 messages!](#)
- John 4:4 [THE NEEDS BE](#)
- John 4:6 [THE WEARY PILGRIM](#)
- John 4:7 [THE DRAWER OF WATER](#)
- John 4:7 [THE CONFERENCE](#)
- John 4:7 [THE CONFERENCE, \(continued\)](#)
- John 4:9 [RIVAL RACES](#)
- John 4:10 [THE GIFT OF GOD, AND THE LIVING WATER](#)
- John 4:11-12 [THE WELL IS DEEP](#)
- John 4:13-14 [THE CONTRAST](#)
- John 4:15-25 [FIRST EVASION AND REPLY](#)
- John 4:25-26 [SECOND EVASION AND REPLY](#)
- John 4:27 [MOMENTS OF SILENCE](#)
- John 4:28-30 [THE HOME MISSIONARY](#)
- John 4:31-38 [THE HEAVENLY FOOD AND THE FIELD OF HARVEST](#)

#### ALEXANDER MACLAREN - click links for sermons on the chapter

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### HENRY MAHAN - [Sermon transcripts on John](#) - distinct from commentary in next section

- [John 5:1-4 What Is It to Be Born Again](#)
- [John 5:17-29 What I Believe About Jesus Christ](#)
- [John 5:17-47 Six Serious Charges Against Unbelief](#)
- [John 5:23 Honoring the Son](#)
- [John 5:24 Once Saved, Always Saved](#)
- [John 5:24 The Way Made Plain](#)
- [John 5:39-47 Seven Charges Against the Religionists](#)
- [John 5:39-49 Why Men Do Not Come to Christ](#)
- [John 5:4 What Hinders Men from Coming to Christ](#)
- [John 5:4 What Is It to Come to Christ](#)
- [John 5:43-44 Witnesses of Truth](#)

#### HENRY MAHAN - commentary

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### MASTER'S BIBLE CHURCH - In depth (eg, 20 pages on Jn 7:37-39!) -

- [John 5:1-9a God's Grace for a Miserable Man](#)
- [John 5:9b-15 Now It Was Sabbath](#)
- [John 5:16-18 The Man Equal with God](#)
- [John 5:24-30 The Authority of Jesus' Voice](#)
- [John 5:31-38 The Testimony of Jesus](#)
- [John 5:39-40 The Witness of Scripture](#)
- [John 5:41-47 The Causes and Consequences of Rejecting Christ](#)

## **J VERNON MCGEE - Thru the Bible - Mp3's**

- [John 5 Commentary](#)
- BORROW [Gospel of John Volume 1 - Chapters 1-10](#)

## **F B MEYER - commentary on Gospel of John**

**James Rosscup** - A well-organized, suggestively rich lighter, devotional commentary by the famous preacher and writer of a well-known series on Bible characters (Abraham, Moses, Elijah, etc.) and several other insightful devotional books. Here is a commentary by a bright light that can refresh personally, stimulate messages and help illustrate them.

- John 5:17 The Divine Master Workman
- John 5:30 The Will of God
- John 5:43 The Father's Name

## **F B MEYER - devotionals - Our Daily Homily (ODH) Our Daily Walk - unmarked**

- John 5:20 (ODH)

## **F B MEYER - brief comments (distinct from his commentary listed above)**

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## **H A W MEYER - Commentary**

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## **JOHN R MILLER - Devotional Hours with the Bible**

- [Chapter 8 - Jesus at the Pool of Bethesda](#)
- [Chapter 9 - Christ's Divine Authority](#)

## **MONERGISM**

- [Mp3 Resources on the Gospel of John](#)

## **OUR DAILY BREAD - Devotional Illustrations**

- [John 5:6 Not Just a Victim](#)
- [John 5:6 Becoming Whole - 2](#)
- [John 5:14 Don't Waste It](#)
- [John 5:17-20 Just Like Dad](#)
- [John 5:19-26 Becoming Useful](#)
- [John 5:24 An Eternal Future](#)
- [John 5:24 Going Up](#)
- [John 5:24 Prepare To Celebrate](#)
- [John 5:24-30 Victory Over Death!](#)
- [John 5:24-40 Yes or No?](#)
- [John 5:28 Tombstone Irony](#)
- [John 5:28-29 All The Dead Will Rise!](#)
- [John 5:30 Absolutely Nobody](#)
- [John 5:44 Crowd Control](#)

## **PASTOR LIFE - sermons**

[At the Pool of Bethesda](#)

John 5:1-18 Miracles; Jesus, Miracles of; Mercy [David E. Owen](#)

[Witness For The Defense Of Jesus](#)

John 5 :16-47

Jesus

[Mark Adams](#)

[The Way God Works \(Outline\)](#)

John 5 :24

God, Ways of; Eternal Life; Salvation

[William F. Harrell](#)

## REFORMATION STUDY BIBLE

- [John 5:1](#)
- [John 5:5](#)
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- [John 5:37–38](#)
- [John 5:39](#)
- [John 5:45](#)

## ROBERT MORGAN - often uses illustrations

- John 5
- John 5:31-40, 46 Fulfilled Prophecy - The Case Against All Odds

## HENRY MORRIS - Defender's Study Bible Notes - Notes are in links on the right side of the page

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## ROBERT NEIGHBOUR

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## NET BIBLE NOTES

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## JAMES NISBET

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## ARTHUR PEAKE

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## PETER PETT

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## A W PINK

- [17. Christ at the Pool of Bethesda \(John 5:1-15\)](#)
- [18. The Deity of Christ: Sevenfold Proof \(John 5:16-30\)](#)
- [19. The Deity of Christ: Threefold Witness \(John 5:31-47\)](#)

## JOHN PIPER

- [John 5:1-18 Healed for the Sake of Holiness](#)
- [John 5:1-24 Jesus- Equal with God](#)
- [John 5:25-29 The Life-Giving Voice of the Son of God](#)
- [John 5:30-47 The Love of Human Praise as the Root of Unbelief](#)
- [John 5:33-47 If You Believed Moses, You Would Believe Me](#)

## MATTHEW POOLE

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## POPULAR COMMENTARY ON THE NEW TESTAMENT - Gospel of John authored by William Milligan and William Moulton

- [John 5](#)

## PREACHER'S OUTLINE AND SERMON BIBLE

- [The Preacher's outline & sermon Bible](#) - BORROW

## PREACHER'S HOMILETICAL COMMENTARY

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## RAY PRITCHARD

- [John 5:1-9 Have You Stopped Blaming Others For Your Problems?](#)

## PULPIT COMMENTARY

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## ROBERT RAYBURN

- [The Disease of Religion John 5:1-15](#)
- [The Christian Form of Monotheism John 5:16-30](#)
- [Christ in the Scriptures John 5:31-47](#)

## GRANT RICHISON - commentary with practical application on each verse

**NOTE:** The link below is just to the **first verse** of the chapter (e.g., [John 1:1](#)). In the **top right corner of the page** you will find a link to go to the next verse by verse comment. There are literally hundreds of comments - e.g., there are 4 separate studies on John 1:1 - [John 1:1](#) [John 1:1b](#) [John 1:1c](#) [John 1:1d](#), then you can go to [John 1:2](#), [John 1:3](#), [John 1:4](#), [John 1:5](#), etc, etc. [Read Introduction to John](#)

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## A. T. ROBERTSON - Word Pictures of the New Testament

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

## J C RYLE - Commentary - always has a few very pithy comments

- [John 5 Commentary](#)
- [John 5:39 Bible Reading](#)

#### ROB SALVATO - sermons

- [John 5:16-30 Equal with the Father](#)
- [John 5:1-47 The Omnipotent Meets the Impotent](#)
- [John 5:43 Countdown to Eternity](#)

#### PHILIP SCHAFF

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### SERMON AUDIO

**NOTE:** There are literally 1000's of sermons but the quality varies so please exercise a Berean mindset (Acts 17:11+). [Here is an example](#) of a Pdf on John 4. The **Pdfs** often give some useful teaching and preaching ideas/insights.

- [John 5 Sermons - audios](#)
- [John 5 Sermons - Pdf's](#)

#### SERMON BIBLE

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### CHARLES SIMEON - link includes all of Simeon's sermon on the chapter

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### CHUCK SMITH - Calvary Chapel founder

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### SERMON NOTES

- [John 5:24](#)
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- [John 5:39](#)

#### JAMES SMITH

The following topics are discussed on [Handfuls of Purpose \(click\)](#)

- THE IMPOTENT MAN. John 5:1-15.
- I AND MY FATHER. John 5:17-43.

#### RUSSELL SMITH - sermons

- [John 5:1-18 When Jesus Healed - 2](#)
- [John 5:19-46 The Father and the Son](#)

#### C H SPURGEON - sermons

- [John 5:1-9 Exposition Jesus at Bethesda—Or, Waiting Changed for Believing](#)
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- [John 5:6 A Singular But Needful Question](#)
- [John 5:8 The Hospital of Waiters Visited with the Gospel](#)



- [John 5:9 Sabbath-Work](#)
- [John 5:11 The Work of Grace the Warrant for Obedience](#)
- [John 5:24 6:47 Verily, Verily](#)
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#### **SPURGEON'S SERMON NOTES**

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#### **SPURGEON'S DEVOTIONALS**

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- [John 5:39](#)
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#### **CLAUDE STAUFFER - Verse by verse studies**

- [John 5](#) Do you want to be made well?

#### **RAY STEDMAN - Sermons**

- [John 5:1-17 Do You Want to Get Well?](#)
- [John 5:18-20 The Secret of Jesus](#)
- [John 5:21-30 He's Got the Whole World in His Hands](#)
- [John 5:31-47 The Credentials of Jesus](#)

#### **JOHN STEVENSON - sermon notes**

- [John 5:1-18](#). Sabbath Healing
- [John 5:19-29](#). The Claims of the Christ
- [John 5:30-47](#). The Witness for the Christ

#### **JOSEPH SUTCLIFFE**

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

#### **RON TEED - sermon notes**

- [John 5:1-9 What to be Healed?](#)
- [John 5:10-17 Lord Over the Sabbath](#)
- [John 5:28-23 Jesus is God](#)
- [John 5:30-38 Evidence for Jesus as Messiah](#)
- [John 5:39-47 Witness of Scripture](#)

#### **TIM TEMPLE - sermon notes**

- [Working on the Sabbath](#)
- [Like Father, Like Son](#)

- [Who Is Jesus](#)

### THIRD MILLENNIUM - Study Notes

- [Jesus' Kingdom Ministry: Jerusalem - John 5:1-47](#)
- [A Healing: The Pool of Bethesda - John 5:1-15](#)
- [Textual Note - John 5:4](#)
- [The Authority and Majesty of the King - John 5:16-30](#)
- [Testimonies Concerning the King - John 5:31-47](#)

### DAVID THOMPSON - Sermons

- [John 5:1-16](#)
- [John 5:17-24](#)
- [John 5:24-30](#)
- [John 5:31-47](#)

### JOHN TRAPP - commentary

- [John 5](#)

### BOB UTLEY - commentary

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

### VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH - sermon transcripts on the Gospel of John

**INSTRUCTIONS** - There are 182 sermons on John. The church changed their links so now the best way to retrieve the Transcript in Pdf is by clicking on the [INDEX PAGE FOR SERMONS ON JOHN](#). Then hunt for the chapter and verse you desire. When you find the text in which you are interested, select "**DOWNLOADS**" and then select **TRANSCRIPT** (average about 5 pages - Here is an example from [sermon #169](#) "The Word Incarnate - Part 3" John 1:14)

### B F WESTCOTT

**D Edmond Hiebert** review - One of the classical commentaries on John. Still richly rewarding in spite of its age. An admirable presentation of the conservative position. ([An Introduction to the NT](#))

- [Commentary on the Gospel of John](#) or see another source archived by chapter below.
- [Introduction to John \(almost 100 pages\)](#) [John 4](#)

### DANIEL WHEDON

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

### MARVIN VINCENT - Greek Word Studies

- [John 5 Commentary](#)

### SERMONS BY VERSE - Older expositions and sermons

<a href="#">Marks of Love to God</a>	<a href="#">Grenville Kleiser</a>	John 5:1
<a href="#">Sunday After Easter</a>	<a href="#">Martin Luther</a>	John 5:1
<a href="#">The Help of the Helpless</a>	<a href="#">B. Thomas</a>	John 5:1-9
<a href="#">A Hospital Sermon</a>	<a href="#">G. Minkle.</a>	John 5:1-18
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