

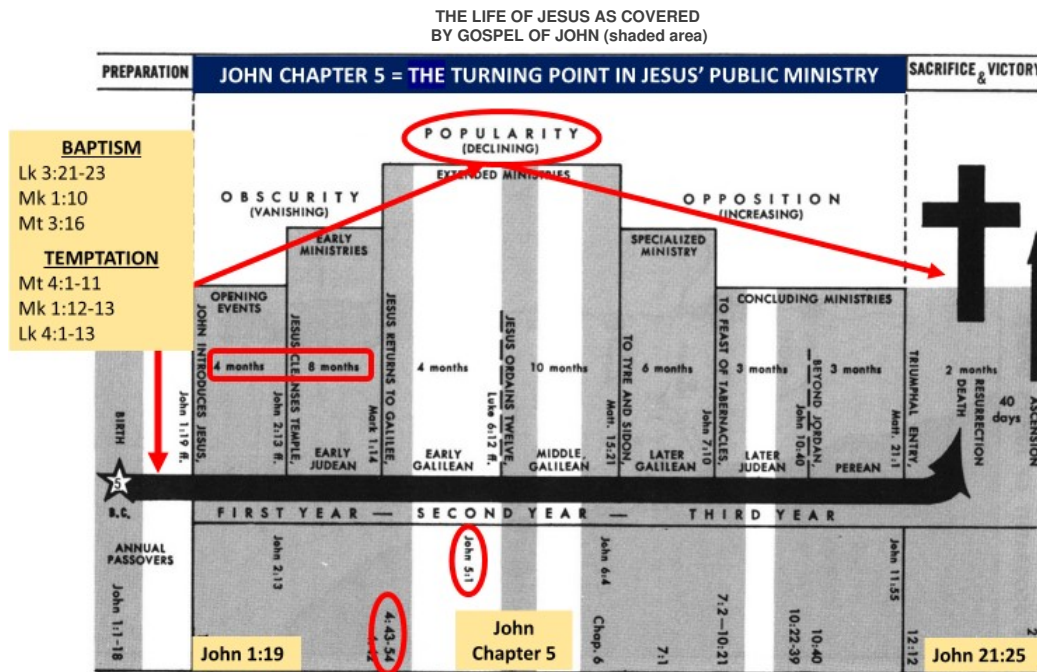
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[God, are you there?](#) (Do You Care? Do You Know About Me?) by Arthur, Kay (1994) 246 pages. [61 ratings](#) This is not a

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. [4,445 ratings](#)

[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 too 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 Hughes, R. Kent (1984) 184 pages Rosscup ranks Hughes work on John's Gospel #3 (out of 6) in the devotional category.

Cyril Barber on Hughes' related work "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 Biblical Commentary - 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](#) by Morris, Leon [1 rating](#) Rosscup ranks this is the #5 most useful exegetical commentary on John.

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

[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, 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 present 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 Gospel according to John](#) - D A Carson

[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!

[Exploring the Gospels. John](#) - John Phillips. Always worth checking.

[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](#)

STUDY BIBLES AND OTHER RESOURCES

[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 - it generally gets 4/5 stars from users.

Very well done conservative commentary that interprets Scripture from a literal perspective _

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.

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

[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.

[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."

[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.

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

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

[The David Jeremiah Study Bible](#) - (2013) 2208 pages. [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). 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.

[With the Word](#) - Devotional Commentary - Warren Wiersbe - [428 ratings](#)

[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!

GREEK WORD STUDY TOOLS

1. (THIS ONE IS FREE AND FULLY ACCESSIBLE) [A Manual Grammar of the Greek New Testament](#) - H. E. Dana and J. R. Mantey - 384 page Pdf. A classic work on Greek Grammar.
2. [The Complete Word Study Dictionary: New Testament](#) by Zodhiates, Spiros - This is my "go to" resource for Greek word studies. One of the best lexicons for laymen. Highly Recommended for Greek Word Studies to aid your interpretation of a passage.
3. [Analytical Lexicon of the Greek New Testament](#) by Friberg, Timothy. Shorter definitions than Zodhiates but does an excellent job in summarizing the various nuances of a specific Greek word. One of my favorites.
4. [The New International Dictionary of New Testament Theology](#) [Click here for a more detailed discussion](#) of how to use this valuable 3 volume resource which has no restrictions and allows copy and paste.
5. [Shorter Lexicon of the Greek New Testament](#) by Gingrich, F. Wilbur. Similar to Friberg but shorter definitions. Gingrich however gives more Scriptures for each nuance, whereas Friberg generally gives only one representative Scripture.
6. [The New Linguistic and Exegetical Key to the Greek New Testament](#) by Rogers, Cleon - This book is a gold mine of little gems on individual Greek words in any NT passage you are studying. If you have time it is always worth checking out! I use it in my [Greek word studies](#) all the time.
7. [New Testament Words](#) - William Barclay - [59 ratings](#) very interesting resource - covers about 70 NT Greek words in Barclay's unique style. On page 289 there is a helpful index of English words with the corresponding Greek word, in turn followed by the places Barclay described them in [New Testament Words](#) and in his Daily Study Bible series ([see list of DSB commentaries here](#)). E.g., take the Greek word for "Covetousness" which is pleonexia and is found in [New Testament Words](#) on page 61 and pp 233-235 and is also described in the Daily Study Bible entries for : Mark 7:14-23; Ro 1:28-32; Eph. 4:17-24; Col. 3:5. So you can click the [DSB commentary on Mark 7](#) and scroll down to Mark 7:14 to see Barclay's entry for pleonexia which concludes "Pleonexia (G4124) is that lust for having which is in the heart of the man who sees happiness in things instead of in God." Interesting!
8. [Expository Dictionary of Bible words](#) by Richards, Larry - 744 pages. [34 ratings](#) Hebrew and Greek definitions, which are generally brief but can give some interesting additional insights.
9. [Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament : based on semantic domains](#) - Louw Nida. Brief but nice definitions. Not easy to use - you need to know some Greek. Classifies Greek words into 93 "semantic domains" (see list on page XXV) and if you can categorize the word you are looking for in one of the domains, it can help find the specific word you are interested in.
10. [Kittel's Theological Dictionary of the New Testament : abridged in one volume](#) - Classic ("Little Kittel") work summarizing the

10 volume set by Kittel. For most of us the abridged definition is "more than enough!"

11. [A Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament, and other early Christian literature](#); by Bauer, Walter, More detailed definitions but need to know Greek. Zodhiates and Friberg much easier to use.
12. [Liddell and Scott's Greek-English lexicon, abridged : the little Liddell](#) by Liddell, Henry George. The abridged version. You need to know Greek to use.
13. [Exegetical dictionary of the New Testament](#) (Volume 1 - A thru E); [Exegetical dictionary of the New Testament](#) (Volume 3- P thru ...) Volume 2 not available. I do not find this adds much to the easier to use resources like Zodhiates and Friberg.
14. [A pocket lexicon to the Greek New Testament](#) by Souter, Alexander. Brief definitions. Need to know some Greek. Not that helpful.
15. [Vine's Expository Dictionary of Old Testament and New Testament Words](#) - pdf. The old standby. You can also borrow [Vine's complete expository dictionary of Old and New Testament words](#)

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 15 Commentary](#)
- [John 15 Commentary](#) The New Testament for English Readers

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 4 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 15 Commentary](#)

ALBERT BARNES

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

BRIAN BELL

- [John 15:1-8 God Grapes](#)
- [John 15:9-27 Jesus, the Human Gadfly](#)

CHRIS BENFIELD - Studies in Gospel of John - none on John 15

JOHANN BENGEL - Gnomon of the New Testament (1877)

- [John 15 Commentary](#)
- [John 15 Commentary](#) The Critical English Testament

JOSEPH BENSON

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

BRIAN BILL - SERMONS GOSPEL OF JOHN

- [John 15:1-5 The Vine](#)

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- [John 15 Commentary](#)

KEN BOA

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

JIM BOMKAMP

- [Expository Bible Study Notes for John - 48 messages](#) - click for notes on chapter

BRIDGEWAY COMMENTARY

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

WILLIAM BURKITT

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

JOHN CALVIN

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

CAMBRIDGE BIBLE - Alfred Plummer

- [John 15 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 15 Commentary](#)

ALAN CARR

- [John 15:1-8 Lessons From The Lord's Vineyard](#)
- [John 15:1-11 Jesus: The True Vine](#)
- [John 15:12-17 Jesus: The Best Friend We've Ever Had](#)
- [John 15:13-16 The Sinner's Friend](#)

RICH CATHERS

- [John 15:1-8](#)
- [John 15:9-17](#)
- [John 15:18-25](#)
- **1995 SERIES**
- [John 15:1-4](#)
- [John 15:4-8](#)
- [John 15:9-11](#)
- [John 15:12-15](#)
- [John 15:16](#)
- [John 15:17-25](#)
- [John 15:26-27](#)

ADAM CLARKE

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

STEVEN COLE

- [Fulfilling Your Purpose in Life \(John 15:1-6\)](#)
- [Growing Closer to Christ \(John 15:7-11\)](#)
- [Are You A Friend Of Jesus? \(John 15:12-17\)](#)
- [What To Expect In The World \(John 15:18-27\)](#)

THOMAS CONSTABLE

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

W A CRISWELL

- [John 15:1-8 BEARING MUCH FRUIT](#)
- [John 15:11 THE CHRISTIAN'S JOY](#)
- [John 14-17 THE CHRISTIAN TRIUMPH](#)
- [John 15:6 THE FIRES OF JUDGMENT IN HELL](#)
- [John 15:8 THE GOD OF THE HARVEST](#)
- [John 15:11 THE CHRISTIAN'S JOY](#)
- [John 15:5 OUR DEPENDENCE ON CHRIST](#)

RON DANIEL

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

J N DARBY

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

BOB DEFFINBAUGH

- [Abiding in Christ \(John 15:1-17\)](#)
- [The Christian and the World \(John 15:18-16:11\)](#)

JOHN DUMMELOW

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

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

- [John 15:1-16:4 Friends](#)
- [John 15:9-17 Love and the Cross](#)

JUSTIN EDWARDS - Family Bible NT

- [John 15](#)

EASY ENGLISH

- [John Commentary](#)

CHARLES ELLICOTT

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

EXPLORE THE BIBLE

- [John 15:18-16:4: A Faithful Life](#)

EXPOSITOR'S BIBLE

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

EXPOSITORY DICTIONARY

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

EXPOSITOR'S GREEK - Marcus Dods

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

DON FORTNER - sermon transcripts on the Gospel of John

- [John 15:1-27 Warnings or Promises](#)
- [John 15:9 So Have I Loved You](#)
- [John 15:9n So Have I Loved You](#)
- [John 15:13 No Greater Love](#)
- [John 15:16 Election A Bible Doctrine or a Satanic Delusion](#)
- [John 15:16 I Have Chosen You](#)
- [John 15:25 They Hated Me Without A Cause](#)

A C GAEBELEIN

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

JOHN GILL

- [John 15 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](#))

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

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

GOTQUESTIONS - Related to the Gospel of John

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- [John 15:1 What did Jesus mean when He said "I am the True Vine" \(John 15:1\)?](#)

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- [John 15 Commentary](#)

JAMES GUNN - expositions

- [The True Vine](#) John 15:1-6
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- [He Will Glorify Me](#) John 15:26-16:15

DAVID GUZIK

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

W HALL HARRIS

- [Exegetical Commentary on John 15](#)

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

- [John 15:1-11 Abiding in Christ](#)
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NORMAN HARRISON

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

JAMES HASTINGS

- [John 15:1-2 The True Vine](#)

ROBERT HAWKER

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

MATTHEW HENRY

- [John 15 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)
- [Commentary on the Gospel of John Volume 2](#) (John 9-21)

F B HOLE

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

DAVID HOLWICK - sermon transcripts - frequent illustrations

- [John 15:1-6 When the Branches are Bare](#)
- [John 15:1-8 Crawling Out of the Brokenness Hole](#)
- [John 15:12-17 Jesus As A Friend](#)
- [John 15:13 The Theology of the Cross](#)

HOMILETICS

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

BARRY HORNER

- [John 15:1-16:33 The Private Ministry of Jesus Christ Part II \(incomplete\)](#)

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 15 Commentary](#)

H A IRONSIDE - NOTES

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

IVP COMMENTARY - Rodney A Whitacre

- [Jesus Calls the Disciples to Remain in Him, the True Vine \(15:1-17\)](#)
- [Jesus Speaks of Conflict with the World and of the Paraclete \(15:18-16:15\)](#)

JAMIESON, FAUSSET, BROWN - Abridged

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

JAMIESON, FAUSSET, BROWN - Unabridged

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

S LEWIS JOHNSON - Sermons

- [John 15:18-16:14 Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart](#)
- [John 15:18-16:4 The Believer in the World](#)

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 15 Commentary](#)

PAUL KRETZMANN - Lutheran commentator

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

LANGE'S COMMENTARY

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

DAVID LEGGE - no sermons on John 15

JOHN LIGHTFOOT

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

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- [John 15:1-6 I Am the True Vine](#)
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- [John 15:4-11 The Benefits of Abiding in Christ, Part 2](#)
- [John 15:4-11 The Benefits of Abiding in Christ, Part 3](#)
- [John 15:4 What Does It Mean to Abide in Christ?](#)
- [John 15:12-17 Slaves and Friends of Jesus, Part 1](#)
- [John 15:12-17 Slaves and Friends of Jesus, Part 2](#)
- [John 15:17-25 Why the World Hates Christians, Part 1](#)
- [John 15:17-25 Why the World Hates Christians, Part 2](#)
- [John 15:26-27 The Christian's Confidence from God's Promises](#)
- [John 15:26-27 The Witness of the Body](#)

JOHN MACARTHUR'S QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- [John 15 Fruitless Branches](#)
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- [John 15:22-24 Why Do the Witnesses of Christ's Miracles Bear a Greater Accountability?](#)

ALEXANDER MACLAREN - click links for sermons on the chapter

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

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

- [John 15 Commentary](#)
- [John 15:16 Can You Rejoice In Electing Love](#)
- [John 15:16-20 Why Men Hate Free Grace](#)
- [John 15:23-25 They Hated Me Without A Cause](#)

J VERNON MCGEE - Thru the Bible - Mp3's

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

F B MEYER - commentary and devotionals 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 15 Commentary](#)
- [John 15:1 The Story of the Vine](#)
- [John 15:4 Abide in Me and I in You](#)
- [John 15:7 Prayer that Prevails](#)
- [John 15:4 \(ODH\)](#)
- [John 15:5 Abiding in Christ](#)
- [John 15:7 Answered Prayer](#)
- [John 15:11 The Joy of Service](#)
- [John 15:11 The Fruit of the Spirit - Joy](#)
- [John 15:15 Christ Our Friend](#)
- [John 15:16 Chosen and Place](#)
- [John 15:16 Ambassadors for Christ](#)

H A W MEYER - Commentary

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JOHN R MILLER - Devotional Hours with the Bible

- [Chapter 27 - The Vine and the Branches](#)
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- [Mp3 Resources on the Gospel of John](#)

OUR DAILY BREAD - Devotional Illustrations

- [John 15](#) - multiple devotionals
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- [John 15:1-5 Honoring God](#)
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- [John 15:2 The Purpose Of Pain](#)
- [John 15:3 Inside Out - 4](#)
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- [John 15:13 To Have One, Be One](#)
- [John 15:13 A Friend to the End](#)
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- [John 15:15 An Invitation to Friendship](#)
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- [John 15:20 Dare To Be Different](#)
- [John 15:26 What About The Trinity?](#)

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- John 15 [Walking and Talking with Jesus](#) J. Mike Minnix
- John 15:1-17 [The Benefits of In-The-Zone Living](#) Mark Adams
- John 15:18 [When Being Hated is a Good Thing](#) Mark Adams
- John 15:1-8 [Vintage Christianity](#) Franklin L. Kirksey
- John 15:5-8 [Jesus Christ is the True Vine](#) Jared Moore

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ROBERT MORGAN - often uses illustrations

- [John 4:1-32 Who Can You Win to Christ This Year?](#)
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HENRY MORRIS - Defender's Study Bible Notes

- [John 15 Study Notes](#)

ANDREW MURRAY

- [John 15:1-16 True Vine: Meditations for a Month on John 15:1-16](#)

ROBERT NEIGHBOUR

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

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- [John 15:7-11 Joyful Disciples, Part 2](#)
- [John 15:12-14, 17 Love One Another](#)
- [John 15:15-16 The Key to Fruit-Bearing, Part 1](#)
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- [John 15:18-25 When Persecution Comes](#)
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JAMES NISBET

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PENINSULA BIBLE CHURCH

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[Friend of God](#) [John 15:1-17](#) Taylor, Paul

[The Cost of Spiritual Leadership](#) [John 15:18-27, 16:1-4](#) Hall, Danny

[The Essence of Spiritual Leadership](#) [John 15:9-17](#) Hall, Danny

[The Formation of Spiritual Leadership](#) [John 15:1-8](#) Hall, Danny

[Understanding Hatred](#) [John 15:18-27, 16:1-4](#) Grant, Scott

[The Fruit of Love](#) [John 15:1-17](#) Grant, Scott

["Remain in Me, and I Will Remain in You"](#) [John 15:1-11](#) Zeisler, Steve

PETER PETT

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

A W PINK

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- [Christ the True Vine \(John 15:1-6\)](#)
- [Christ the True Vine, Concluded \(John 15:7-16\)](#)
- [Christ Fortifying His Disciples \(John 15:17-27\)](#)

JOHN PIPER

- [John 15:1-7 If My Words Abide in You](#)
- [John 15:1-8 Praying From the Fullness of the Word](#)
- [John 15:7 Ask Whatever You Wish](#)
- [John 15:7 If My Words Abide in You](#)
- [John 15:16 I Chose You to Bear Fruit](#)

MATTHEW POOLE

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

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

- [John 15](#)

PREACHER'S HOMILETICAL COMMENTARY

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

RAY PRITCHARD

- [John 15:22 The First Christmas Miracle](#)
- [John 15:22 The First Christmas Miracle - 2](#)

PULPIT COMMENTARY

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

ROBERT RAYBURN

- [The Vine and the Branches John 15:1-17](#)
- [The Hatred of the World John 15:18-16:4](#)

GRANT RICHISON - commentary with practical application on each verse

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- [John 15 Commentary](#)

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

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

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

- [John 15 Commentary](#)

ROB SALVATO - sermons

- [John 15:1-11 Abide!](#)
- [John 15:12-16:4 Friendship with Jesus](#)

PHILIP SCHAFF

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- [John 15:22: Human Responsibility](#)
- [John 15 Commentary](#) - exposition

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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.
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