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If you seek a deeper knowledge of God's Word and want to better understand how it applies to your life, the Concordia Self-Study Bible is for you. It clarifies the Lutheran understanding of Scripture. This Bible version combines the easy-reading language of the New International Version "RM" with the Lutheran interpretive notes and a wealth of study helps. The Concordia Self-Study Bible is the ideal choice for bringing new vitality to personal and group study. This Bible is available in five different styles; The Concordia Self-Study Bible includes these key features:

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- Full-Color Maps of the Holy Land, timelines, and charts offer an informative overview of biblical history

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Joy says

This is a great edition of the Bible.

First of all, it's NIV. The NIV is a thought for thought translation so it's not as difficult to read like some of the word for word translations while still being very accurate and close to the original Greek and Hebrew.

Second of all, it's a study Bible. No matter why you're reading the Bible be it curiosity or you're a Christian or it was assigned to you for literature class, you're going to need a little help. Parts of the Bible can be very confusing. The notes go into customs and help you link events to previous events. Each book has an introduction with an outline and some background. There is also a cross reference that runs the entire Bible, some maps and a concordance in the back.

Thirdly, the cover looks really sharp.

This Bible was actually a gift from a stranded motorist who took the time to stop by church weeks after we helped him out and these were our gifts. What a lovely gesture.

Tom says

While there are other many study Bibles on the market, this is the best. It has excellent explanatory notes, maps, charts, introductions to each book, and indexes. The TNIV translation is superb, better than the NIV and as good as the NRSV (which I also recommend). Its overall viewpoint is "scholarly conservative," a useful perspective when dealing with a world classic such as the Bible. Its only real drawback is that it does not include the Apocrypha or Deutero-canonical books.

Joshua says

A book that everyone should read at least once in their life. [Just as they should read the Koran, Buddhist, Hindu, and even Wicca Text [As well as ethnic religious works.]

The Book is really two parts, the Old and the New Testament

The first is about the movement of God's work from the individual man, to a family, to a chosen people, and then the prediction of the movement to all people. It reflects the power that we all seek to understand, and declares it constant and close at hand, always accessible. It also bears witness to how flawed humanity is, and yet there is still hope for us all.

The Second is about the movement of God's work from a select few to the entire world, that through one of the greatest acts of love, sacrificing a son to save the world, all people can be saved. It is about love pure and simple and how such a simple thing can and does in fact change the world for the better.

Simply put this book can move mountains within people.

Caroline Kipps says

Trying to actually read the Bible from cover to cover, with all the notes in this edition. I'm up to Moses...this could take a while.

Mark Oppenlander says

I don't know that one has much choice but to rate this book highly. Even if you are not a religious person, it is one of the most diverse, thought-provoking and influential books of all time. As a professing Christian it has even more significance to me . . .

This is my third or fourth time reading through a Bible cover to cover and my first time through the NIV since college classes. It took me a couple of years to complete this reading cover to cover.

I like the clean, straightforward translation of the NIV, but I confess that I avoided reading most of the footnotes. I found that some of the commentary went further than exegesis and wandered over into broad interpretation (e.g. the footnote on Romans 13:4 says "Here we find the Biblical principle of using force for the maintenance of good order." Really? What about turn the other cheek? Or do not resist one who does evil? How do those concepts fit?)

What I was struck by the most this time around was the radical nature of the message of Jesus. After having lived through the Law and the Prophets of the Old Testament, to have Jesus come along and turn the social structures of the time on their head with his message of radical love and inclusion must have been startling to say the least. And frankly, if we take his words seriously, it is still a shocking message today. We would do well to remember the "scandal" that is the Christ.

Raf says

I did a one year chronological read of the NIV study bible and it was an incredible journey. It required a lot of time, discipline, and energy but it's totally worth it. I think it's extremely important to read the bible from a historical and cultural context and this bible certainly did the job. I encourage every believer to take the one year journey and read the NIV study bible in chronological order. You will not regret it. I personally feel that this experience has made me a more humble, understanding follow of Christ. The commentary has a lot of historical and cultural comments that paint a much clearer picture of what's happening at the particular time and place. Additionally, I really like the summary provided before every book that informs you about the origins, author, audience, and purpose of the particular text. Below is a link to the one-year chronological reading list if anyone is interested.

<https://www.blueletterbible.org/daily...>

Blessings,

Rafael

Nancy says

Most important book you'll ever read! I will now begin again.

Diane Gihring says

This is my favorite translation and edition of the Bible. It has great study notes at the bottom of every page. They provide parallels from one passage to another and make connections outside of the bible to other historical events and resources to help give some content to events in the bible. I also really like the introductions to each book. It helps me to see what the main ideas are of each book and some historical context as well about the author and the date it was written.

I highly recommend this version to anyone who is interested in reading the bible and wanting some extra guidance while reading.

This bible is very special to me as it was given to me by my grandmother on my high school graduation. I took it to college with me and have used it ever since...tape on the binding and all.

Shannon says

I really enjoyed this version...easy to read and accurate.

Sherrie Pilkington says

I don't think I can rate the Bible. This particular edition was very good...lots of useful notes on context, history, secular references, etc. I would highly recommend it for those reasons.

The Bible has a lot of wisdom in it. But it's also got a lot of repetition and mind numbing-ly boring parts. I think reading it cover to cover has given me perspective that I didn't have before on looking at the big picture (love people and pretty much every thing else will fall into place) and not getting caught up in details that don't make much sense out of cultural context.

David Woods says

Done! Did the chronological bible in a year plan (in about 3 years). Consistent morning time in the word was

great. Brilliant author!! ;)

Kimmie says

After reading the THE STORY THE BIBLE AS ONE CONTINUING STORY OF GOD AND HIS PEOPLE, I am ready to finally read the Bible all the way through. I am starting in James as it is one of the earliest books of the NT written. I plan to go to John from there and go back to Matthew. I'm listening to God's Masterwork a survey of the NT by Chuck Swindoll so my thoughts may change.

2/18/16 - After over two years, I have finished reading every word. I finished in the Psalms which were very uplifting. Praise the LORD oh my soul! Now, I can do a more in depth study of God's Word.

Tracy says

I find it awesome that God gave us a book. Though it's really more than that.

The *Bible* is a compass, leading us over mountaintops, into deserts, through rivers and valleys, all along a dangerous and narrow pathway that leads north, to the kingdom of Christ. It is a complex tale of cowardly, messed up, imperfect people filled with confusion, doubt, calamity and apprehension, but also faith. It brings hope and inspiration to a hopeless and desolate land. It is fairy tale and non-fiction, history and biography, romance and suspense.

There is a King, and his Beloved who strays from him. He painfully lets her go because he does not want to force her to love him; he wants her love to be genuine, her own choice. So she goes with barely a glance back, and finds other kings to love. Only she is never satisfied. Though she has betrayed him, the King still loves her and wants what is best for her. When she is in trouble and cries out to him, he helps her. He leads her through the desert and into a fertile land. She rejoices, but then forgets the King's kindness. This happens over and over again. Until one day, the King decides to show the full extent of his love for her once and for all time--by conquering Sin, the vilest of all foes, so that she could finally find the satisfying love that Sin had robbed her of all this time. And he asks her to marry him.

Only, the Beloved does not quite know what to make of this. She is torn: half of her wants to leave all of her prodigal ways behind to love this King who has become her Savior, but the other half cannot, or does not want to, accept his kindness. The story continues as the King waits patiently for his Beloved to make her choice. What's more, we each have a part in the story, whether as a wedding guest preparing for the wedding feast, or someone trying to convince the Beloved that the King is actually a charlatan, and does not really love her afterall. And here come's the suspense: Will she choose to love her King and live with him forever, or will she choose to leave him again, perhaps never to return?

Stay tuned for the conclusion....

Falina says

I FINISHED THE BIBLE. No big deal, just got to page 2147 and finished reading the most influential piece of literature in the Western world. But I don't think I'm going to really review it, because how do you do that? Looking at it just as a book, it really isn't very good. It's tedious, repetitive, contradictory, and the quality of the writing varies depending on the author. But it really isn't about the Bible as a book. What's really important is the ideology the Bible represents and the way it has influenced culture for thousands of years, and that is far beyond the scope of my little book review. So, I read the Bible. I'm glad I read it. I'm glad it's done.

Review of Old Testament:

I should probably review as I go, because...uh...it's kind of a LONG book, isn't it?

As of January 2012, I've finished the Old Testament. I'm not sure how to review the Bible. It was okay? Some parts are extremely repetitive, tedious, and infuriating. Some parts are hilarious. Overall, I think everyone in North America should read the Old Testament, no matter your religious orientation. For me, it's not really even about religion. It's about understanding our cultural history and learning to recognize the echoes of the Bible in the systems that make up our "secular" modern society.

I wish I had taken better notes on each book as I went along. I remember thinking Job in particular was very beautifully written.

Amy says

This one tops them all.
