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The People, the Land, and the Future of Israel
Gallatians Verse by Verse
Galatians is one of the Pauline epistles, and its message is central to understanding the New Testament. This book offers a comprehensive approach to understanding the text of the letter, its historical context, and its theological significance.

The Big Idea of Biblical Preaching
Interpreting the Bible requires theoretical discernment and practical know-how. A book that focuses solely on interpretive methods or deals exclusively with the philosophical underpinnings of interpretation fails to provide a full picture of how to read and study Scripture. Beginning with hermeneutics, Matthew Malcolm surveys the history of the discipline, engages with important theological issues, and arrives at a memorable depiction of what happens when fruitful interpretation takes place. After covering these foundational elements, Malcom focuses on exegesis. He helps readers understand the issues at stake in interpreting biblical passages, and provides a straightforward guide to writing an exegesis paper. Academically solid without being overwhelmingly detailed, this is a reliable guide to the important path from hermeneutics to exegesis.

James Verse by Verse
Today many pastors are struggling to adapt to a post-Christian culture without abandoning orthodox theology. How do we communicate the concepts of grace and substitutionary atonement in our globalized culture and context? In Center Church, Timothy Keller offers challenging insights and provocative questions based on over twenty years of ministry in New York City. This book outlines a theological vision for ministry - applying classic doctrines to our time and place - organized around three core commitments: • Gospel-centered: The gospel of grace in Jesus Christ changes everything, from our hearts to our community to the world. It completely reshapes the content, tone and strategy of all that we do. • City-centered: With a positive approach toward our culture, we learn to affirm that cities are wonderful, strategic and underserved places for gospel ministry. • Movement-centered: Instead of building our own tribe, we seek the prosperity and peace of our community as we are led by the Holy Spirit. “In this important book, Tim Keller unpacks the gospel and gently but firmly reminds us that it is nonnegotiable. At the same time, he enables us to think through how we can responsibly interact with the culture, how we can - indeed, must - appreciate good things within it, and how we can firmly and faithfully apply the gospel to it.” - D.A. Carson, research professor of New Testament, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

Beginning with New Testament Greek In All Roads Lead to the Text
Dean Deppe offers a user-friendly guide to biblical exegesis and interpretation. Far from a dry, theoretical handbook, this book’s example-based approach enlivens the exegetical task and offers immediate payoff by constantly applying concepts to specific texts. Deppe focuses on eight methods that biblical scholars use, from analyzing literary, grammatical, and structural elements to investigating historical and cultural backgrounds to exploring the history of interpretation. Deppe explains each approach using several concrete examples from both Old and New Testament texts, and every chapter concludes with practical, text-based questions for study and discussion.
Spirit and Power From their decades of combined teaching experience, Benjamin L. Merkle and Robert L. Plummer have produced an ideal resource for novice Greek students to not only learn the language but also kindle a passion for reading the Greek New Testament. Designed for those new to Greek, Beginning with New Testament Greek is a user-friendly textbook for elementary Greek courses at the college or seminary level.

Trinity, Revelation, and Reading The events in the book of Acts changed our world forever. Following his account of Jesus’ life and ministry in his Gospel, Luke recounts the formation of the early church in Acts. And while the apostles appear to be at the center of this narrative, all of their work is done through the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit. In every chapter in Acts, we see Spirit-empowered apostles sharing the gospel reality of the risen Christ to the ends of the earth. In Acts Verse by Verse, Grant Osborne guides readers through these crucial events in history. He shows us that by sending his Holy Spirit, the risen and exalted Lord was acting through the apostles—and through us today—to transform human history. Osborne skillfully explains the significance of these events and shows us how we can draw inspiration from them today.

Reincarnation, Oblivion or Heaven? Christian Zionism is often seen as the offspring of premillennial dispensationalism. But the authors of this work contend that the biblical and theological connections between covenant and land are nearly as close in the New Testament as in Old. Written with academic rigor, this provocative volume proposes a place for Christian Zionism in an integrated biblical vision today.

The Crucifixion of the Warrior God How are Christians to think about the intellectual tasks that make up everyday life in the modern world? It is clear we are not to do so as the “world” does, but what does it look like to engage Christianly in our thinking? In the first part of the series, God’s Gifts for the Christian Life, J. Alexander Rutherford shows how the Bible equips us to confidently engage in the interpretation of and engagement with the Word of God and the world he has created. In God’s rich mercy, he has enabled us to know him, his word, and his world. In a world where it is preposterous and arrogant to claim to know anything certainly, we are in desperate need of renewed foundations. In God’s Gifts for the Christian Life, see some of the ways that God through his limitless power has made available to us everything necessary for life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3).

Die zwölf Jünger Jesu In this ground-breaking work, Teresa Thorp tackles the causes and effects of climate injustice by methodically mapping out an approach by which to reach a negotiated consensus with legal force to protect present and future generations. Using the law and policy of climate change as a vehicle for illustrating how to shape our future, she comprehensively overviews the widely held contemporary view of climate justice as inconstant charitable acts, relative systemic notions and concepts isolated from the common good and a congruent rule of law. Responding to the adverse impacts of climate change (heat waves, extended drought, severe flooding and desertification), which represent an urgent and potentially irreversible threat to human societies and the planet, requires a new and cohesive way of thinking about global policy and the law. The mission of guaranteeing and realising human dignity, human security and human rights is multi-fold. Looking through the lens of kalidoscopic normativity, an extensible language anchored in common juridical elements should facilitate how norms enter the socio-legal frame and interact within it. Users need to be able to todayspace and interpret the congruent legal norm in order to obey and apply it. Galvanizing this process by constitutionalising first principles and consequentially normis vital for attaining fraternity between nations and among all people. divClimate Justice – A Voice for the Future is an essential read for scholars, practitioners and all those genuinely interested in reaching consensus on a post-2015 global climate accord, a unified development agenda and a cohesive pact for disaster-risk reduction.

Ephesians Verse by Verse Jeannine Brown, a seasoned teacher of biblical interpretation, believes that communication is at the heart of what happens when we open the Bible. We are actively engaging God in a conversation that can be life changing. In this guide to the theory and practice of biblical hermeneutics, Brown emphasizes the communicative nature of Scripture, proposing a communication model as an effective approach to interpreting the Bible. The new edition of this successful textbook has been revised and updated to interact with recent advances in interpretive theory and practice.

The Matthew Commentary Collection After the Apostle Paul returned from his first missionary journey, he heard that a certain group of legalistic Jewish Christians had infiltrated the churches he had established. These false teachers were teaching that new Christians had to be circumcised and follow the Old Testament law in order to be truly saved. Paul, realizing the gospel was at stake, wrote this letter in response. In Galatians Verse by Verse, experienced New Testament scholar sets forth Paul’s laser-focused argument: Jesus is not only the Messiah; he came to inaugurate a new era in salvation history. In this new era, Christians are not made right with God by obeying the law; justification is by faith alone. This frees believers to live their lives not trying to earn salvation, but instead joyfully keeping in step with the Spirit. Pastors, Bible study leaders, and invested laypeople will all benefit from Osborne’s careful reading of the text and commitment to making sense of the New Testament without scholarly jargon. The Osborne New Testament Commentary Series is a set of commentaries on every New Testament book. In each volume, Grant R. Osborne seeks to carefully exposit the text in plain language, bringing out the treasures in each book and making them accessible for today’s readers.


Ephesians Verse by Verse (Osborne New Testament Commentaries) No matter how you identify yourself on the wide spectrum of gender—and some people find themselves in significantly different locations on that spectrum from day to day—if you’re Christian and you care about issues of gender, transgender, and justice, this book is for you. —from the Introduction Based on their own journeys as transgender Christians, Mollenkott and Sheridan have created an inspiring book about hope, opportunity, struggle, joy, difficulty, and transcendence. They offer information and inspiration while sharing real-life experiences about the joy and pain of being both Christian and gender-variant to illustrate how each person’s enactment of their authentic self helps to create an environment that moves toward moral justice for all persons. Those who identify as gender-variant or are struggling with their own identity will find this book a useful companion on their journey. It is also a valuable resource for those seeking to help their communities take the next steps toward a more just society. Chapter topics include: ¥ Equipping for the Journey ¥ Reordering Our Travel Priorities ¥ Virginia Ramey Mollenkott’s Gender-Variant Journey ¥ Vanessa Sheridan’s GenderVariant Journey ¥ What Does It Mean to Walk a Transgender Christian Pathway? ¥ Reclaiming Our Territory, Mapping Our Pathway ¥ Developing a Theology for the Transgender Journey ¥ Coming Out as an Act of Faith ¥ Wilderness Pilgrims and Prophets ¥ Steps That Lie Ahead
HOW TO INTERPRET THE BIBLE Die Bibel - ein Buch mit sieben Siegeln? Dieses altbekannte Vorurteil wird auf jeder Seite dieses Buches widerlegt. Bibellesen wird spannend, wenn man die Texte richtig versteht und weiß, wie sie auszulegen und anzuwenden sind. Was hat der Text seinen ursprünglichen Lesern gesagt? Und was bedeutet er für uns heute? Um diese zwei Fragen zu beantworten, muss man wissen, was für einen Text man vor sich hat: Ein Gedicht ist kein historischer Bericht, und ein historischer Bericht ist kein für alle Zeiten verbindlicher Gesetzes texte. Evangelien, Gleichnisse, Offenbarung - "Effektives Bibelstudium" stellt die verschiedenen Textgattungen der Bibel vor und zeigt anschaulich, wie sie zu verstehen sind. Das Buch, das man braucht, um die "sieben Siegel" der Bibel zu brechen - damit Bibellesen Freude bringt und nicht in die Irre führt. "Die wahrscheinlich beste deutschsprachige Anleitung zum Bibellesen" Prof. Dr. Christoph Stenscke in "Die Perspektive", August 2005


Transgender Journeys When we overlook Paul's letters to the Thessalonians, we miss out. Paul's letters to the church in Thessalonica are often considered two of the less important of his letters, but they were written to a very important city with very unique characteristics. In addition to addressing the issue of Christ's return and the problem of people who refused to work, these letters model a truly loving relationship between a pastor and a congregation. In 1 & 2 Thessalonians Verse by Verse, respected New Testament scholar Grant R. Osborne shows us that in a world that centered on the divinity of the emperor and the demands to participate in the worship of the gods, the Thessalonians desperately needed to be given resources that would help them withstand the pressure to conform. These letters provide us with a thrilling example of affection among believers in extremely hard times and help us see how that affection can make severe trials bearable. The Osborne New Testament Commentaries, by respected professor and author Grant R. Osborne, are for people seeking a straightforward explanation of the text in its context, avoiding either oversimplification or technical complexity. Osborne brings out the riches of the New Testament, making each book accessible for pastors and all who consider themselves students of Scripture.

Climate Justice This collection of essays honors Kevin J. Vanhoozer by representing the current state of evangelical hermeneutics in light of his work. The volume consists of three parts: The Biblical Script, Great Performances, and Theodrama Today. Each part contains wide-ranging contributions from well-known scholars, who address important topics for contemporary hermeneutics in dialogue with Vanhoozer's influential work. Kevin J. Vanhoozer is today's leading evangelical theologian of biblical interpretation. He is one of the most influential voices in contemporary hermeneutics, and in academic theology he is one of his generation's most influential evangelicals.

God's Gifts for the Christian Life — Part 1 Here, Anthony Thiselton brings together his encyclopedic knowledge of hermeneutics and his nearly four decades of teaching on the subject to provide an ideal textbook which takes the reader through the time-honoured interpretation techniques of the past and on to modern times.

Luke Verse by Verse A theology of biblical interpretation, treating both topics in light of their relationship to the triune God and the economy of redemption.

Hearing and Doing the Word What does the Bible teach about the role of the Jewish people and the nation of Israel today? What is God's plan for the future of Israel and the neighboring countries? How can believers in Jesus be part of God's peace process in the Middle East? The People, the Land, and the Future of Israel walks through the Bible's account of the role of Israel and the Jewish people—both now and in the future. Each contributor offers a profound insight into God's unfolding plan and purpose for the nation of Israel as the Scripture depicts them. Readers will gain a deeper understanding of both current and future events in the Middle East as described in both the Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament. Features an extensive foreword by best-selling author Joel Rosenberg who addresses the question, Will there ever be peace for Israel and her neighbors? Each chapter includes a scannable QR code that links to a short video introduction by the author of that chapter, introducing its topic. Discussion questions in each chapter aid book group and classroom discussion.

Romans Verse by Verse Even though he was writing from prison, the Apostle Paul's gratitude and joy leaps off the page in his letter to the Philippians. He writes to Christians in a Greek city that he visited on his second missionary journey to thank them for their partnership with him, and also to encourage them to maintain unity in the face of forces that were trying to divide them. In Philippians Verse by Verse, Grant R. Osborne draws on years of examining the text to offer a clear explanation of what this book meant to its original audience and what it means today. In spite of sometimes dire circumstances, readers too may experience joy, encouragement, and fellowship if they remain focused on what God has done for them in Christ. The Osborne New Testament Commentary Series is a set of commentaries on every New Testament book for people who are looking for a straightforward explanation of the text. In each volume, Grant R. Osborne seeks to carefully exposit the text in plain language, bringing out the treasures in each book and making them accessible for today's readers.
Historical Theology In John Verse by Verse, respected New Testament scholar Grant R. Osborne invites the reader to become caught up in the dramatic masterpiece of the Fourth Gospel. He writes, “If I were teaching a course in college or seminary on creative writing, John’s Gospel would be set alongside Shakespeare as models of brilliant characterization and plot.” It is perhaps Osborne’s favorite book of the Bible, and enthusiasm for it shines on every page. - Publisher.

The Hermeneutical Spiral A dramatic tension confronts every Christian believer and interpreter of Scripture: on the one hand, we encounter images of God commanding and engaging in horrendous violence; on the other hand, we encounter the non-violent teachings and example of Jesus, whose loving, self-sacrificial death and resurrection is held up as the supreme revelation of God’s character in the New Testament. How do we reconcile the tension between these seemingly disparate depictions? Are they even capable of reconciliation? Throughout Christian history, many different answers have been proposed, ranging from the long-rejected explanation that these contrasting depictions are of two entirely different ‘gods’ to recent social and cultural theories of metaphor and narrative representation. The Crucifixion of the Warrior God takes up this dramatic tension and the range of proposed answers in an epic constructive investigation. Over two volumes, renowned theologian and biblical scholar Gregory A. Boyd argues that we must take seriously the full range of Scripture as inspired, including its violent depictions of God. At the same time, we must take full range of Scripture as inspired, including its violent depictions of God. At the same time, we must take seriously the centrality of the crucified and risen Christ as the supreme revelation of God. Developing a theological interpretation of Scripture that he labels a “cruciform hermeneutic,” Boyd demonstrates how Scripture’s violent images of God are completely reframed and their violence subverted when they are interpreted through the lens of the cross and resurrection. Indeed, when read through this lens, Boyd argues that these violent depictions can be shown to bear witness to the same self-sacrificial character of God that was supremely revealed on the cross.

Center Church While he was in prison, Paul wrote a letter to the Ephesian Christians whose magnificent themes have echoed throughout the centuries: the exaltation of Christ, the church as his body, believers as his new creation, and his defeat of the cosmic powers that opposed him. Throughout, he makes clear that everything we are and have is ours only “in Christ.” In Ephesians Verse by Verse, Grant R. Osborne offers a clear exposition of this letter that takes seriously both its first-century context and what it means for us today. Pastors, Bible study leaders, and invested laypeople will all benefit from Osborne’s careful reading of the text and commitment to making sense of the New Testament without scholarly jargon. The Osborne New Testament Commentary Series is a set of commentaries on every New Testament book. In each volume, Grant R. Osborne seeks to carefully expound the text in plain language, bringing out the treasures in each book and making them accessible for today’s readers.

From Hermeneutics to Exegesis Since 1980, Haddon Robinson has influenced generations of students and preachers through his widely used classic text, Biblical Preaching, in which he shows preachers how to communicate the Bible’s big ideas with precision. But does Robinson’s “big idea” approach to expository preaching still work in today’s diverse cultures and fast-paced world? The Big Idea of Biblical Preaching, now in paperback, presents a strong defense of the ongoing relevance of this approach to expository preaching. An experienced and skilled group of contributors to this volume includes: Paul Borden, Scott M. Gibbon, Duane Littin, Terry Mattingly, John Reed, Bruce L. Shelley, Donald R. Sunukjian, Joseph M. Stowell III, Bruce K. Waltke, Scott Wenig, and Keith Willhite. This volume is written not only for the current generation of students but also for today’s preachers, who will find in the pages of this book a powerful approach to expository preaching.

Scripture as Communication World-renowned scholar Michael Gorman presents a straightforward approach to the complex task of biblical exegesis. This third edition of Gorman’s widely used and trusted textbook (over 60,000 copies sold) has been thoroughly updated and revised to reflect developments in the academy and the classroom over the past decade. The new edition explains recent developments in theological interpretation and explores missional and non-Western readings of the biblical text. Adaptable for students in various settings, it includes clear explanations, practical hints, suggested exercises, and sample papers.

Biblical Hermeneutics “Why should we take into account the history of reception in biblical methods? It is because as exegetes we have no choice. Recognizing our dependence on interpretations of the past is not a new method, but it is the very way we understand texts. Régis Burnet shows how this allows us to put our current interpretations into perspective, but also to dialogue with those of the past.” –

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All Roads Lead to the Text This book presents proponents of five approaches to biblical hermeneutics and allows them to respond to each other. The five approaches are the historical-critical/grammatical (Craig Blomberg), redemptive-historical (Richard Gaffin), literary/postmodern (Scott Spencer), canonical (Robert Wall) and philosophical/theological (Merold Westphal) views.

DEFENDING EVANGELICALISM The Gospel of Luke is an orderly historical account, but it is far from ordinary. In the longest Gospel, Luke places great stress on the unique lordship of Jesus and God’s plan to bring salvation into this world. Throughout, Luke stresses that Jesus’ message reaches the forgotten people groups of this world, particularly the poor and women, showing us that the gospel is truly intended for all peoples. In Luke Verse by Verse, Grant Osborne leads readers through this systematic account of Jesus’ life. He shows us why Luke may be called “the theologian of prayer” and unpacks the far-reaching power of the gospel then and now. With Osborne as guide, readers will learn what this Gospel, which introduces the Suffering Servant who has become the Risen Lord of all and reigns by his Spirit, can teach us today. The Osborne New Testament Commentaries, by respected professor and author Grant R. Osborne, are for people seeking a straightforward explanation of the text in its context, avoiding either oversimplification or technical complexity. Osborne brings out the riches of the New Testament, making each book accessible for pastors and all who consider themselves students of Scripture.

Effektives Bibelstudium What is death? Why do we die? and what happens after we die? Over the centuries, philosophers and theologians of the world’s religions have offered answers to the dilemma of death, yet this subject is rarely given the detailed attention it deserves in the contemporary Christian church. As Christians, how does our view of death impact the communication of the gospel in today’s pluralistic societies? In this study, Dr Bobby Bose not only develops a solid biblical theology of death, he also reviews the teachings of contemporary and historical Christian theologians around the world, and examines
the “state-after-death” beliefs of Hindus, Muslims and Secular Humanists. The author shows that “state-after-death” was a central component of conversation in the early church, and is also a major component of God’s mission to rescue humanity. As the East converges with the West, it is vital that Christians develop a missiological approach to “state-after-death” that will encourage positive engagement with people of other faiths and beliefs.

Unwort Sünde Most historical theology texts follow Christian beliefs chronologically, discussing notable doctrinal developments for all areas of theology according to their historical appearance. And while this may be good history, it can make for confusing theology, with the classic theological loci scattered throughout various time periods, movements, and controversies. In Historical Theology, Gregg Allison offers students the opportunity to study the historical development of theology according to a topical-chronological arrangement, setting out the history of Christian doctrine one theological element at a time. Such an approach allows readers to concentrate on one tenet of Christianity and its formulation in the early church, through the Middle Ages, Reformation, and post-Reformation era, and into the modern period. The text includes a generous mix of primary source material as well, citing the words of Cyprian, Augustine, Aquinas, Luther, Calvin, Barth, and others. Allison references the most accessible editions of these notable theologians’ work so that readers can continue their study of historical theology through Christian history’s most important contributors. Historical Theology is a superb resource for those familiar with Wayne Grudem’s Systematic Theology or interested in understanding the development of Christian theology.

Acts Verse by Verse This book is an important part of the historical record of Dr. Norman L. Geisler. It displays Geisler’s intellectual gifts and devotion to the Lordship of Christ in his defense of Christianly and classic evangelicalism. This book, written by one of Geisler’s long-time and trusted assistants, will be of importance to those who want a first-hand interpretation of Geisler and the significance of Geisler’s method for present-day evangelicalism. It provides a clear assessment of the impact of Geisler’s embrace of classical realism, classical theism, the doctrine of inerrancy in the context of twentieth century evangelical theology, while providing a way forward to apply Geisler’s method in the twenty-first century.

Elements of Biblical Exegesis In Romans Verse by Verse, Grant R. Osborne shows readers what Romans meant to its original audience and what it means today. He keeps scholarly discussions in the background so he can shine light on the text itself in a way that is easily understood.

Philippians Verse by Verse This all-in-one commentary bundle on the book of Matthew features volumes from the NIV Application Commentary Series, Zondervan Exegetical Commentary Series, and Story of God Bible Commentary Series. Each volume provides new and unique insights from leading biblical scholars Michael Wilkins, Grant Osborne, and Scot McKnight. The unique features from each volume along with the diverse insights provided by the authors gives you all the tools you need to study and master the book of Matthew.

On the Writing of New Testament Commentaries In this revised and expanded edition, Grant Osborne provides seminary students and working pastors with the full set of tools they need to travel the hermeneutical spiral—moving from sound exegesis to the development of biblical and systematic theologies and to the preparation of sound, biblical sermons.

John Verse by Verse The Old Testament is part of the canon of Christian Scripture and, as such, has continuing significance for the church. However, the writings are set within a different historical era, a different culture and a different religious context. To understand the Old Testament in a meaningful way, it must be read against its historical, cultural and theological background. Here, Robin Routledge enables readers to engage with the text. He discusses: date, authorship, the writers’ intention and purpose, and significant textual issues? key scholarly approaches to the text, including historical-critical and literary approaches; To help us comprehend and interpret the Old Testament, and so apply it to current belief and praxis, Routledge includes an overview of exegetical and hermeneutical approaches. He also offers some guidance through the maze of new treatments and terminology. The volume provides specific introductions to the sections and books of the Old Testament, following the canonical order of the Hebrew text. In addition, Routledge notes key distinctive issues and points to sources for further study. The author’s hope is that this volume will not only aid students but will also benefit others who want to take the Old Testament seriously, and to apply its message to the life and ministry of the church today. ‘Scholarly and lucid, Old Testament Introduction is designed especially for those who want to understand how to read the Old Testament as Christian Scripture, while doing justice to its nuances and enormous diversity. I commend it warmly.’ Gordon McConville, Professor of Old Testament Theology, University of Gloucestershire

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