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Reference Section D: Annotated Bibliography

All of the books listed are ones I personally own and use. All but the last 2 sections are ones I used in the preparation of this study. Those with an *Asterisk are particularly good for everyone.

Commentaries:

A Son to Me, An Exposition of 1 & 2 Samuel, by Peter J. Leithart. A practical, heart-felt look at the life of David in particular.

* **1 & 2 Kings, Tyndale Old Testament Commentary**, by Donald J. Wiseman. A very good introductory commentary with excellent sections on key cultural issues like temple, high places, etc. Tyndale commentaries are inexpensive, paperback, and a very good place to start any study.

* **I & II Kings, Holman Old Testament Commentary**, by Gary Inrig. A great application / teaching commentary. Each section of the text has a good outline, basic commentary, application questions, a modern story or two, and some thoughts for more in depth study.

I & 2 kings, Brazos Theological Commentary on the Bible, by Peter J. Leithart. Excellent at pulling together larger Biblical themes (transition from Tabernacle to Temple to Christ to Us particularly excellent). Does take some modern day tangents only loosely connected to passage.

* **The Message of Chronicles, The Bible Speaks Today**, by Michael Wilcock. Good outline and introductory material about the book. The Bible Speaks Today are easy to read, basic, paperback commentaries.

* **1 & 2 Chronicles, The NIV Application Commentary**, by Andrew E. Hill. My favorite commentary series looks like it is very good on Chronicles as well. For every passage it will cover the original meaning, issues that need translating to today, and modern application. It will mention the key scholarly issues in each passage without spending pages on each argument.

Study Guides:

Faith Lessons on the Prophets & Kings of Israel, That the World May Know series, published by Focus on the Family. Leaders guide to provide Biblical background studies for the 6 lessons in the World May Know video series on Prophets and Kings.

Life Principles from the Kings of the Old Testament, Following God series, by Wayne Barber, Eddie Rasnake, Richard Shepherd. A good personal devotional study through the Kings, with 6 daily readings each week and questions on each of 12 kings.

Life Principles for Worship from the Tabernacle, Following God series by Wayne Barber, Eddie Rasnake, Richard Shepherd. Personal devotional study on lessons from the Tabernacle, with daily readings and questions on various aspects of the Tabernacle.

Temple / Tabernacle Resources:

* **The Temple and the Church's Mission: A Biblical Theology of the Dwelling Place of God** by G. K. Beale. Great look at the themes of the Temple as they play out from Genesis through Revelation. A bit scholarly, but well worth the work to understand.

Immanuel in Our Place: Seeing Christ in Israel's Worship by Tremper Longman III. More popular level work on Israel's worship.

The Temple of Solomon by Kevin J. Conner – in depth charts and comments on Temple. {Conner has also written *The Tabernacle of Moses* and *The Tabernacle of David*}

The Shadow of Christ in the Law of Moses by Vern S. Poythress. Great look at Christ as He is portrayed in the Law and how Christ fulfills the Law, including the Tabernacle.

* **God's Permanent Presence with Man: A Biblical Overview of the Temple** by Mark Bickel Unpublished Senior M.Div. Paper for Biblical Seminary (available at bixmark.org).

Old Testament Overviews:

Nelson's Old Testament Survey, by Charles Dyer, Eugene Merrill. Good basic intro to each Book of the Old Testament.

* **An Introduction to the Old Testament**, by Raymond Dillard, Tremper Longman III. Good outlines and intro to the scholarly issues surrounding each OT book.

The Message of the Old Testament, by Mark Dever. Pastoral overview of each book, written in more of a sermon format.

Key OT / Biblical Resource Books:

* **Holman QuickSource Bible Atlas with Charts and Biblical Reconstructions**, by Paul H. Wright. Fabulous new, full color book of maps and charts. A majority of the appendix sections in the manual come from this book and a related online website (see online listing). A must for any Biblical library.

Nelson's Complete Book of Bible Maps & Charts, published by Thomas Nelson. Good black and white maps and outlines of each Bible book, can be copied for class material.

Chronological and Background Charts of the Old Testament, by John H. Walton. Some useful charts, can be copied for class material.

Rose Book of Bible Charts, Maps and Timelines, published by Rose Publishing. Full color charts on a wide range of topics, some OT charts and timelines very helpful. (2 volumes) – many other excellent pamphlets, books, charts and PowerPoint available at rosepublishing.com

OT Audio-Visual References:

* **From Dust to Glory, an Overview of the Bible**, audio tapes by R.C. Sproul. 52 half hour sermons each providing and overview of a key section or theme of Scripture.

DiscipleMakers' Summer Session of the Old Testament, audio tapes by David E. Tate, Dr. Fred Putnam, Dr. Al Groves, Dr. Doug Green. 40 hours of teaching through the O.T. given during 2 weeks with college students. Teachers were mostly Westminster & Biblical professors.

Old Testament Overview, video tape published by 2100 Productions / Intervarsity Video. Six 10-15 minute vignette giving an overview of major sections of the Old Testament.

* **Rose Guide to the Tabernacle**. By Bristol Works and Rose Publishing, Inc.
{ See also Rose Publishing's Temple and Tabernacle pamphlets and wall charts, *PowerPoint Tabernacle*, Tabernacle models and other resources online at rosepublishing.com }

The Tabernacle, Solomon's Temple, and The Temple Jesus Knew: Herod's Temple. Animman Studios & Ensign Media, distributed by Gateway Films and Vision Video. Animated walk through of the Tabernacle, Solomon's Temple and Herod's Temple (three 30-min. DVDs)

Other Books of Interest:

Preaching Christ from the Old Testament, a Contemporary Hermeneutical Method, by Sidney Greidanus. Helpful methods for seeing Christ in the Old Testament, as well as warnings against many common mistakes in OT interpretation.

* **Knowing Jesus Through the Old Testament**, by J. H. Wright. Great look at Christ as seen through the Old testament (this is not a method book, but a good look at Christ himself).

* **The Drama of Scripture, Finding Our Place in the Biblical Story**, by Craig G. Bartholemew, Michael W. Goheen. Tells the story of all the Bible in a good storytellers fashion, connecting it to our life today and showing the larger plan of God.

The Sacred Romance, Drawing Closer to the Heart of God, by Brent Curtis, John Eldredge. Good look at god's larger plans throughout Scripture.

The Mission of God: Unlocking the Bible's Grand Narrative. Christopher J. H. Wright. An in depth look at God's mission throughout the Bible

Online Resources:

* **A Chronological Map from Creation to the Fourth Century A.D.**, edited by Alfred Nevin, *The Parallel Bible*. Blue Letter Bible. 1 Jun 2002. 19 Jun 2006. Fabulous timeline. Other resources on parent site as well. (basis for all my timelines)
<http://blueletterbible.org/study/parallel/timeline/index.html>

Israelite Kings Date Chart. By Dennis Bratcher, CRI / Voice Institute. 17 Jan 2006. Good chart of the kings. Lots of useful charts on the parent site.
<http://www.cresourcei.org/israelitekings.html>

Bible History – site full of maps, historical documents, links to other sites, fun...
<http://www.bible-history.com/>

Dr. Wiggins Handouts. Some interesting charts and notes from a professors web site
<http://my.execpc.com/~stephwig/hndt.html>

Biblical Art on the WWW. Links by topic and Bible story to thousands of paintings and drawings accessible on the web. (source of most all drawings in my presentations)
<http://www.biblical-art.com/>

How to Study the Bible:

* **Living by the Book** by Howard Hendricks. Excellent, motivational intro to OIA, with practical examples in every chapter. He also has a workbook with more in depth practice for each chapter.

How to Study Your Bible by Kay Arthur. Good, Simple description of Bible study methods.

* **Reading the Bible with Heart and Mind** by Tremper Longman III. Very good motivational book, with big picture ideas for each genre of scripture.

Observe, Interpret, Apply by Hans Finzel. Discusses OIA for each genre of Scripture.

Methodical Bible Study by Robert Traina. Detailed discussion of OIA, excellent reference.

Biblical Exegesis by John Piper. Booklet on relationship between words and phrases in passages.

General Reference Works:

* **Talk through the Old Testament** and **Talk Through the New Testament** by Wilkinson and Boa. Great outlines and charts for each book of the Bible, overview of book, and key verses.

* **IVP Bible Background Commentaries** Old Testament and New Testament editions, published by Intervarsity Press. Verse by Verse commentary on the customs mentioned in the passage.

NIV Compact Concordance by John R. Kohlenberger III, good, easy to carry around concordance that is complete enough for most uses.

NIV Compact Bible Dictionary by Douglas and Tenney. Good, easy to carry around dictionary with several paragraph description, as well as maps and diagrams, for most words in the Bible.

New Unger's Bible Handbook, Student Edition by Merrill F. Unger. Good summary of each book of the Bible, with full color photos, maps and charts. Student edition is condensed version.

Zondervan Handbook of the Bible. Good overview of each chapter of each book of the Bible, with lots of color photos, maps, and summaries of background.

What the Bible is All About by Henrietta C. Mears. Summary of each book of the Bible, with some key sections to read to get an overview in a week. Focuses on how each book reveals Jesus.