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Finding Ebook Commentaries

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*I have always imagined
Paradise to be
a kind of Library.
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This guide has been prepared for the NT 1023 course (Prof. Soards, Spring 2020). Three specific Ebook collections are covered in this guide:

1. [eBook Religion Collection \(EBSCOhost\)](#)
2. [The Research Library in Ministry Matters](#)
3. [Oxford Biblical Studies Online](#)

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You can find these collections in a number of different ways; one, they can be accessed from the Digital Library page at lptslove.org and using the Remote Access link; two, using the Databases page at <https://lpts.edu/library/databases/> or by using the linked titles above. **REMINDER:** Ebook Commentaries and scholarly articles on Bible passages are also available in the *ATLA Religion Database*. Consult the separate guides listed under Resources at the end.

You must log in to use these Ebook resources. The Username is your 13-digit library barcode on the back of your seminary ID. The password is your 4-digit PIN (last 4 digits of your phone number.) If you have any trouble, email library@lpts.edu

1. eBook Religion Collection via EBSCOHost

The screenshot shows the EBSCOhost search page. The search bar contains the text "eBook Religion Collection (EBSCOhost)". Below the search bar are two rows of "AND" dropdown menus for combining search terms. To the right of the search bar is a "Select a Field (optional)" dropdown menu, which is open, showing a list of search fields: TX All Text Fields, TI Title, AU Author, SU Subject, BS Category, IB ISBN, PY Year of Publication, and PB Publisher. A green "Search" button is located to the right of the search bar. There are also "Basic Search", "Advanced Search", and "Search History" links below the search bar. Four callout boxes with orange borders and arrows point to specific parts of the interface: 1. "Enter search terms here. Search by concept, book title, author, etc." points to the search bar. 2. "Confirm the correct collection is listed." points to the text "eBook Religion Collection (EBSCOhost)". 3. "You can select a specific field to search." points to the "Select a Field (optional)" dropdown menu. 4. "Use this to add in or exclude more concepts." points to the "AND" dropdown menus.

Here you see the results screen for a search on Luke and Commentary. You don't need to capitalize your terms and plurals will automatically be searched.

EBSCOhost Searching: eBook Religion Collection (EBSCOhost) | Choose Databases

Search: luke AND commentary

Search Results: 1 - 10 of 11

1. **Luke**

By: Manetsch, Scott M.; George, Timothy; Kreitzer, Beth. Series: Reformation Commentary on Scripture. New Testament, III. Downers Grove, Ill. : InterVarsity Press, 2015. eBook.

Subjects: RELIGION / Biblical Commentary / New Testament / General; HISTORY / General; RELIGION / Reference

PDF Full Text EPUB Full Text

2. **Luke : Gospel to the Nameless and Faceless**

By: Tew, W. Mark. Eugene, Or. : Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2012. eBook.

Subjects: RELIGION / Biblical Studies / New Testament / Jesus, the Gospels & Acts; RELIGION / Biblical Studies / New Testament / General

EPUB Full Text PlumX Metrics

Annotations:

- Here we have searched for Luke and Commentary (the system will automatically search for plurals)
- Results list is sorted by relevancy.
- Change sort order here.
- Get the full text here.

When you click on a title or PDF Full Text link you will be taken to a table of contents list for that title.

Luke

Author: Manetsch, Scott M., George, Timothy, Kreitzer, Beth
Date: 2015
Detailed Record

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Annotations:

- Note any publisher restrictions.
- Use these download links to get individual chapters.

2. Browsing the Research Library in Ministry Matters

Ministry Matters is a database devoted to helping ministers in preaching, teaching, and study.

Go to the *Ministry Matters* database:

<https://lpts.idm.oclc.org/login?URL=http://www.ministrymatters.com>

Log in with your library bar code and PIN.

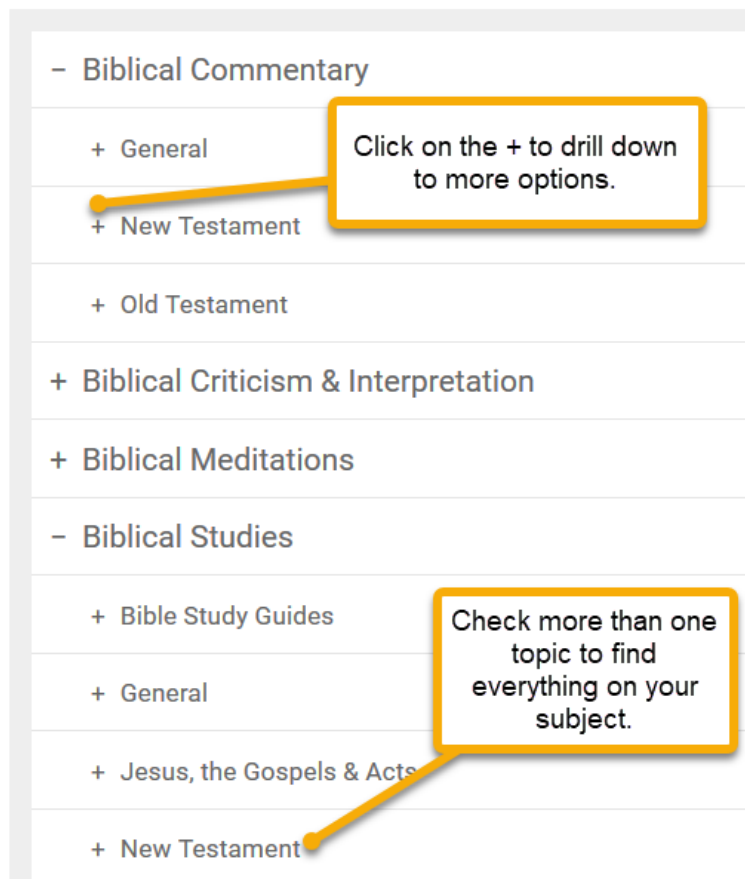
On the menu at the top of the screen click on Research Library.



LIBRARY

Also check the Legacy Library

Missing something? Our [legacy library](#) is still online.



The next page shows what happens when you click on the + sign.

The Gospel and Letters of John	PURCHASED
The Gospel of Luke and Acts of the Apostles	PURCHASED
The Gospel of Mark	PURCHASED
The Gospel of Matthew	PURCHASED
The Letters of Paul	PURCHASED
What Does Revelation Reveal?	PURCHASED

When you drill down to the title level the Purchased button means you have access to the full text.

Just click on the title of the book you want to view to see the full text.

You can also search for Scripture citations in Ministry Matters, but the results will usually be less scholarly and more practical preaching material as show below.

The screenshot shows the Ministry Matters website interface. At the top left is the logo 'mn ministry matters'. To its right is a search bar containing the text 'luke 9:28-36' and a magnifying glass icon. Below the search bar, the text 'Search Results for luke 9:28-36:' is displayed. Underneath this, there are navigation tabs for 'Articles', 'Resources', 'Library' (which is highlighted in orange), and 'Bins'. The main content area shows two search results. The first result is titled 'INVOCATIONS AND BENEDICTIONS FOR THE REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY' by John Drescher. It includes a small image of the book cover and a snippet of text: '...(Transfiguration Sunday) Lections: Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36, (37-43) Invocation Dear God, How are you? We are fine! Because you answered when... read more'. The second result is titled 'THE REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY' by The Consultation on Common Texts. It includes a small image of the book cover and a snippet of text: '...as Transfiguration Sunday. Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-36, (37-43) SEASON OF LENT Ash Wednesday (A, B, C) Joel 2:1-2, 12-17or Isaiah 58:1-12... read more'. A yellow callout box with a pointer to the search bar contains the text 'Search Scripture citations'.

3. Oxford Biblical Studies Online

Go to Oxford Biblical Studies Online:

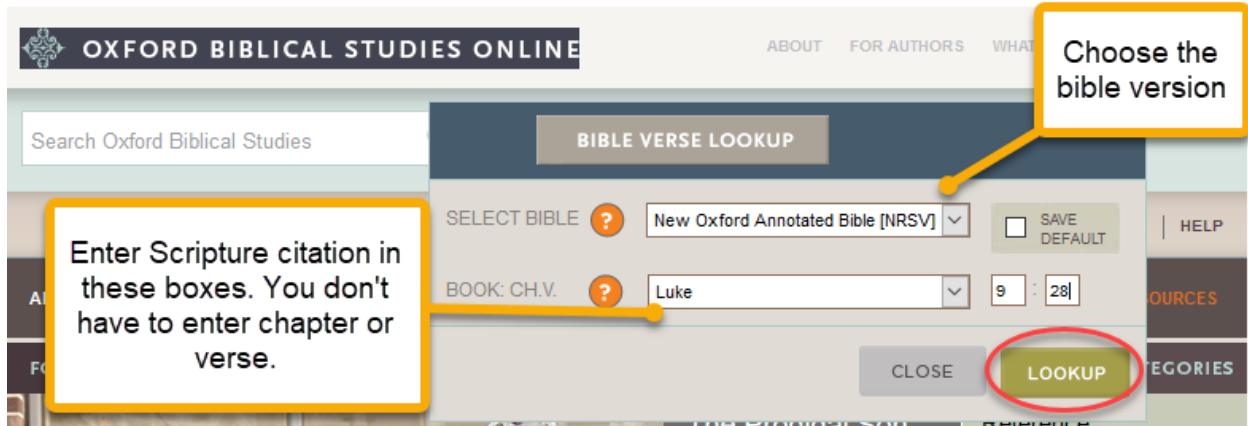
<https://lpts.idm.oclc.org/login?URL=http://www.oxfordbiblicalstudies.com>

Log in with your library bar code and PIN.

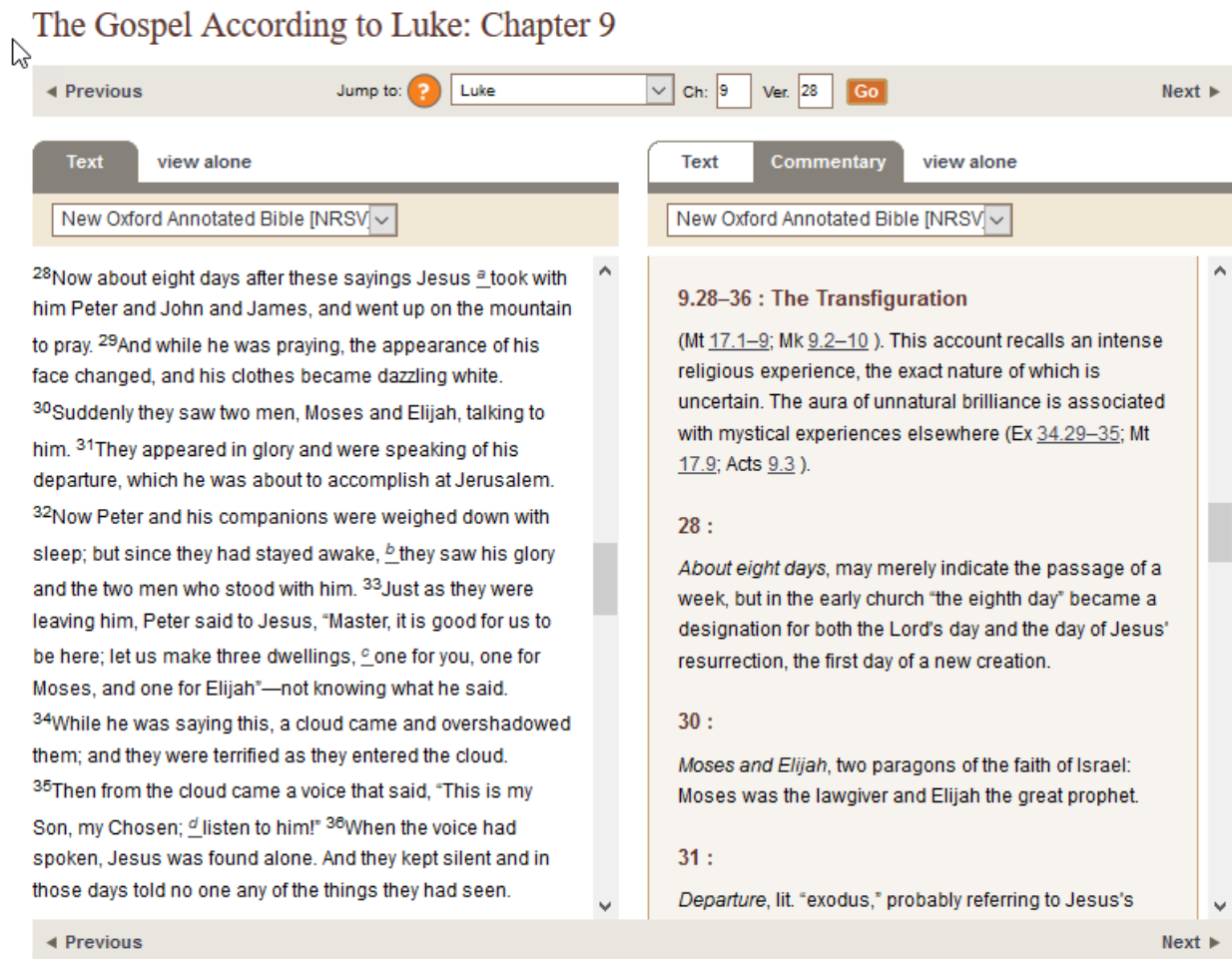
Take a moment to familiarize yourself with the opening screen. This is more than just a collection of books. Some of the more useful features are outlined in red below.

The screenshot shows the Oxford Biblical Studies Online website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the site name and links for 'ABOUT', 'FOR AUTHORS', 'WHAT'S NEW', and 'LOGOUT'. Below this is a search bar with the text 'Search Oxford Biblical Studies' and a magnifying glass icon. To the right of the search bar is a button labeled 'BIBLE VERSE LOOKUP', which is circled in red. Below the search bar is a secondary navigation bar with links for 'SUBSCRIBER SERVICES', 'CONTACT US', and 'HELP'. A main navigation bar contains links for 'ADVANCED SEARCH', 'BROWSE', 'BIBLE TEXTS', 'TIMELINES', and 'TOOLS & RESOURCES', with the last one circled in red. The main content area is divided into several sections. On the left, there is a 'FOCUS ON' section featuring a bronze statue of a man and a child, with the title 'The Prodigal Son in Literature' and a 'Read more' link. To the right of this is a 'BROWSE OUR CATEGORIES' section with three items: 'Reference' (circled in red), 'Bible Text', and 'Images and Maps'. Below the 'FOCUS ON' section is a 'FROM THE DESK OF Michael D. Coogan' section with a small portrait of Michael D. Coogan and a 'Read more' link. To the right of this is a 'VIEW BIBLICAL TEXTS IN THREE DIFFERENT WAYS' section with three options: 'Full Screen Mode', 'Side-by-side view with commentary' (circled in red), and 'Side-by-side view of two Biblical texts'. At the bottom left, there is a 'WHAT'S NEW' section, and at the bottom center, there is a 'FEATURE' section.

If you have a topic you can use the search box, but if you have a specific Scripture citation, you can use Bible Verse Lookup for more focused results.



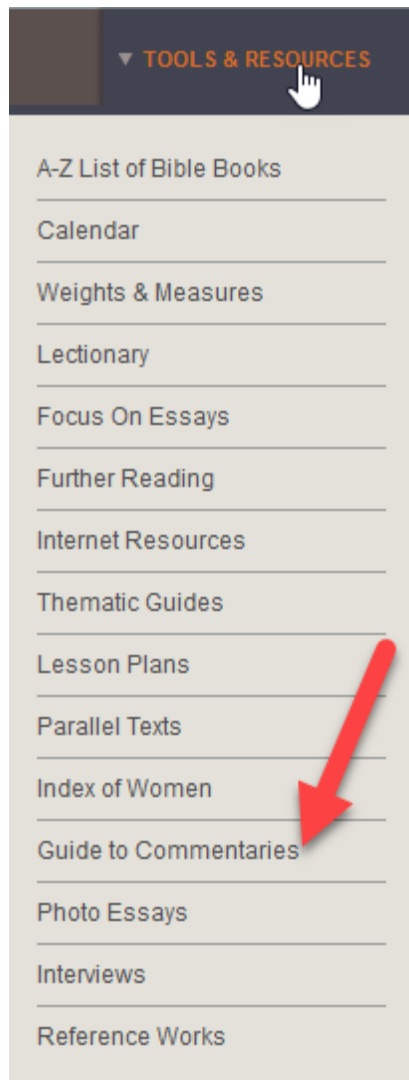
Your results will look like this:



Find commentaries on specific books of the Bible, click on the Tools & Resources link in the menu bar.

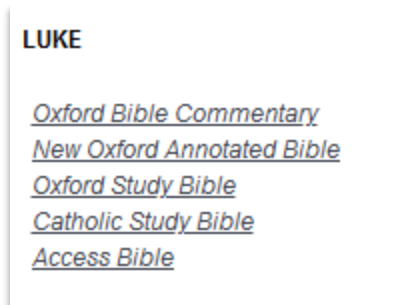


Among the useful tools in the list is Guide to Commentaries



Clicking on the Guide to Commentaries will display the books of the Bible in order.

Scroll down until you see the book you want. The commentaries for that book will be shown. Click on the one you want to view.



Additional Resources

- Download the Finding Articles in ATLA Religion Database (examples show Luke 9:28-26). URL: <https://lptsstor.blob.core.windows.net/documents-library/docs/default-source/library-working-at-home/FindingArticlesUsingScriptureAuthorityInATLA.pdf>
- Download the Guide for [Remote Access and Use of Ebook Commentaries and the ATLA Religion Database for Exegesis](#) (URL: <https://lptsstor.blob.core.windows.net/documents-library/docs/default-source/library-working-at-home/RemoteAccessCommentariesATLARD.pdf>)
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