

# Find the Perfect Bible for Every Age

The Bible is essential at every stage of life. Created with each stage of a child's development in mind, these options for kids present the Word of God in ways that will engage them from crawling to heading off to college.

**0-2 Years** Reading classic Bible stories to your children will help them come to see reading Scripture as a part of daily life.

**3-4 Years** Storybook Bibles introduce kids to the characters and stories that populate the Bible with words they can understand.

**5-6 Years** These Bibles feature longer stories that develop an understanding of the characters and themes of the Bible, pointing to God at the center of the entire story.

**7-8 Years** As your child grows past the limited scope of storybook Bibles, he or she will find Bibles that lead them into previously unexplored parts of God's Word.

**8+ Years** Filled with features to help them understand God's Word, these Bibles help kids begin to apply its teachings to their lives.

**Teen & Student** Full-text Bibles filled with features like articles, Q&As, and character studies, teen and study Bibles are specifically designed to engage the hearts and minds of teens and students.



# Digging Deeper With Study Helps

Looking to go deeper in your study of the Word? There are a variety of ways to increase your knowledge of the Bible and to learn more from every passage you read. The following options represent several approaches for more impactful study.

## Handbook

Find overviews of each book of the Bible that help you understand the author, theme, and structure of each book.

## Dictionary

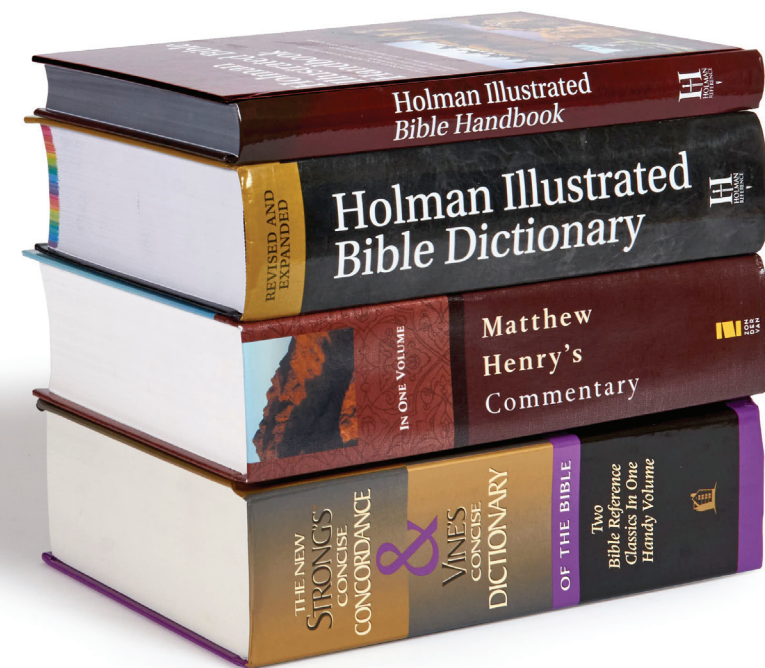
Look up a person, a geographical location, or a biblical term to gain clarity and context into hard-to-understand words.

## Commentary

Seek expertise from trusted Bible teachers that illuminates the Scriptures so you find clarity and a deeper understanding.

## Concordance

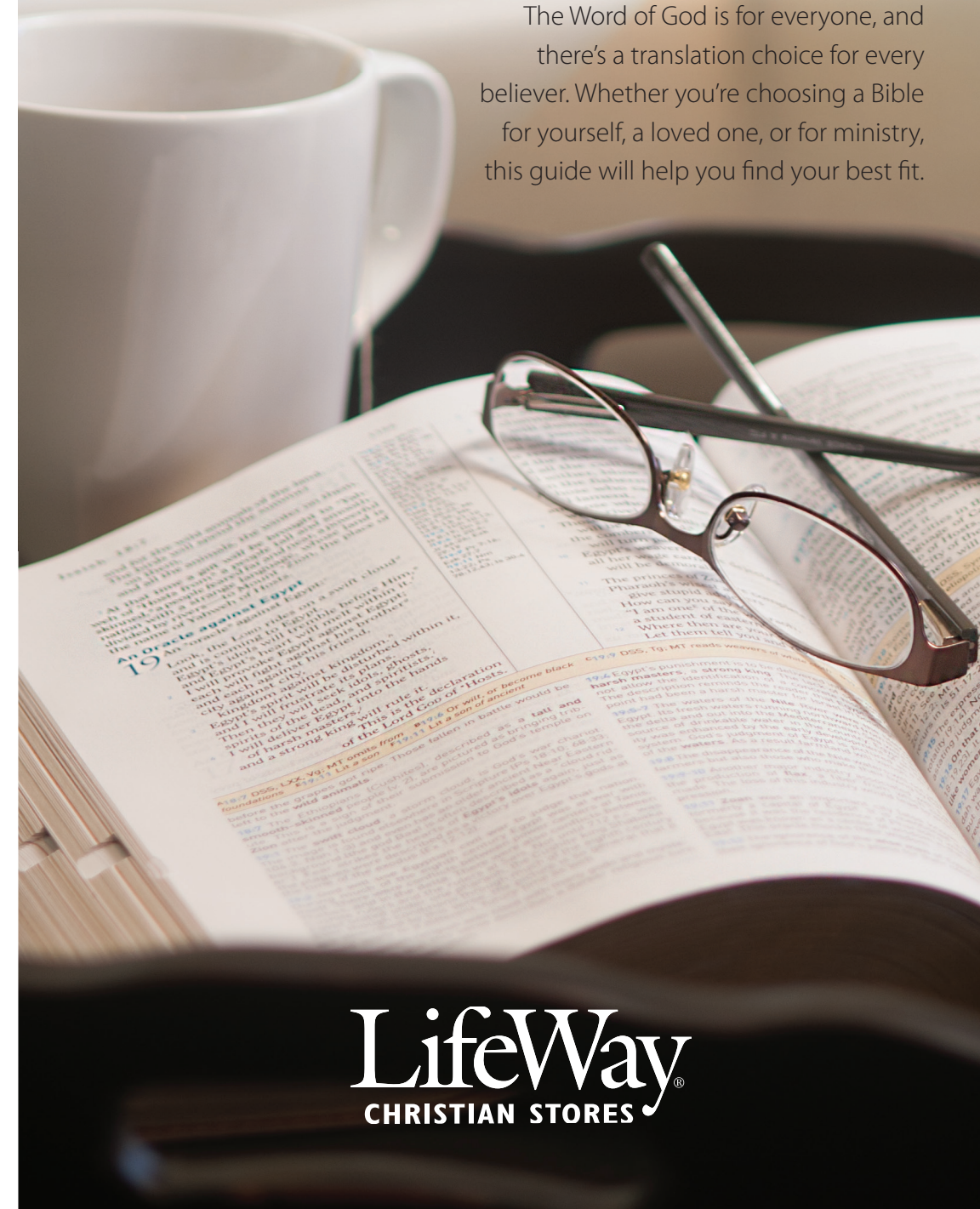
Gain insight as you find every time a word appears in the biblical text.



FREE Guide — Please take one.

# Bible Translation Guide

The Word of God is for everyone, and there's a translation choice for every believer. Whether you're choosing a Bible for yourself, a loved one, or for ministry, this guide will help you find your best fit.



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# How do you plan to use your Bible?

Your plans for Bible study can help you choose the right Bible. You might connect with God through journaling, enjoy listening to the Word spoken aloud, or pore over biblical maps and charts to learn more. The following types of Bibles include a variety of approaches to help you understand the Word of God.

## Study Bibles

Offer insights, commentary, articles, charts, graphs, and more to help you understand the Bible and apply its teachings to life.

## Journaling Bibles

Feature space for you to record prayers, sermon notes, and highlight favorite passages in the extra-wide margins.

## Reference Bibles

Often include only the scriptural text; some will include cross-references to help you locate related verses.

## Devotional Bibles

Feature daily Scripture readings with inspirational thoughts, often following a plan that guides you through the Bible in a year.

## Large Print Bibles

Printed in larger-than-normal text to be easier to read.

## Audio Bibles

Present the Word in audio for a unique experience; perfect your commute, at the office, or a workout.

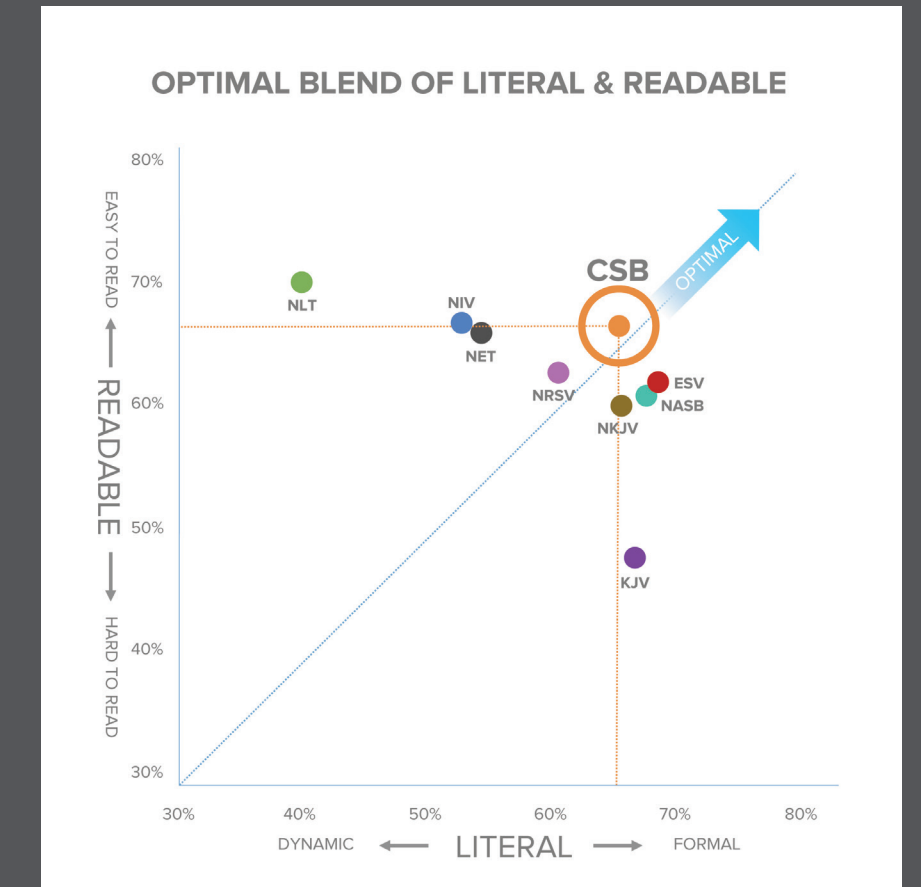
# Explore the Differences Between Bible Translations

We want the process of choosing the right Bible translation to be as easy as possible. The chart below provides a side-by-side comparison of some of the most popular translations you'll find in our stores. You can read how each translation renders Psalm 33:4, as well as the approach each took in translating God's Word. Additionally, the approximate reading level for each is included.

Ranging from formal to dynamic, Bible translations convey the Word of God mainly word-for-word or thought-for-thought. Each one's placement on this chart represents the degree to which translators sought to translate each word as literally as possible or whether they wanted to represent the overall idea of each passage. Since all Scripture is inspired by God, you can choose the translation that speaks most profoundly to you and how you learn.

	FORMAL (WORD FOR WORD) ◀					▶ DYNAMIC (THOUGHT FOR THOUGHT)			
	<b>NASB</b>	<b>AMP</b>	<b>ESV</b>	<b>KJV</b>	<b>NKJV</b>	<b>CSB</b>	<b>NIV</b>	<b>NLT</b>	<b>NIrV</b>
Translation Name	New American Standard Bible	Amplified Bible	English Standard Version	King James Version	New King James Version	Christian Standard Bible	New International Version	New Living Translation	New International Reader's Version
Psalm 33:4	For the word of the LORD is upright, and all His work is done in faithfulness.	For the word of the LORD is right; And all His work is done in faithfulness.	For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.	For the word of the LORD is right; and all his works are done in truth.	For the word of the LORD is right; And all His work is done in truth.	For the word of the LORD is right, and all his work is trustworthy.	For the word of the LORD is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.	For the word of the LORD holds true, and we can trust everything he does.	What the LORD says is right and true. He is faithful in everything he does.
Translation Philosophy	Widely considered the most literal word-for-word translation	Word-for-word translation	Word-for-word update of the Revised Standard Version	Word-for-word translation from the best manuscripts available at the time it was published in 1611	An update to the word-for-word approach of the KJV	Translated from the original languages for an optimal blend of accuracy and readability	Seeks to balance word-for-word and thought-for-thought approaches	Thought-for-thought translation	Easy to read and understand with short words and sentences (based on the NIV)
Reading Level	11th grade	11th grade	10th grade	12th grade	7th grade	7th grade	7th grade	6th grade	3rd grade

# The CSB Bible: A Translation of Optimal Equivalence



This chart was developed by Dr. Andi Wu of the Global Bible Initiative. It shows a quantitative linguistic comparison of Bible translations using computerized statistical analysis. The translations are linked to the original Greek and Hebrew texts and analyzed for readability and fidelity (shown as "literal" on the chart) to the original languages.

The Christian Standard Bible represents an optimal blend of fidelity and readability, meaning it remains true to the original message of God's love for his people while also being accessible to people of all ages, backgrounds, and experience levels.

Learn more at [LifeWay.com/CSB](http://LifeWay.com/CSB).

After you decide which translation is best for you, here's a quick look at the types of Bibles you'll find in stores & online at [LifeWayStores.com](http://LifeWayStores.com).

