

Selecting a bible.

Know your personal purpose for investing in a Bible. This will help you navigate the multifaceted world of Bible selection.

I recently watched a video that discussed what bible is best, and the speaker said this: “Every person who reads/studies their bible should have these 4 kinds of Bibles.

1. Study Bible
2. Easy to read Bible
3. A Bible to write in
4. A “carry with me” Bible.

When I told my husband this, he said, “Ya, I have all those.” I said, “You do?” He said, “Yes, right here in my phone.” He was referring to his Bible App.

For those who enjoy navigating electronic versions of the bible, good for you! For sure, this is the most cost-effective, space-saving, easy-to-take-with-you way to go.

As for me, I use my electronic bible app only when I forget to bring my bible, or when I need a 2nd bible version open during my study time. It has all the bells and whistles, but I prefer paper. Paper Bibles, Paper notes, Paper Resources that I can write on.

Regardless, here are some important points to consider when selecting a bible for your purposes.

Translation: Again, what is your purpose for wanting a bible? Are you buying your first bible or adding to your library?

Below shows how the different translations read. The Word-For-Word group on the left tends to lend itself to studying versus simply reading. Begin to navigate your bible choice here. Choose the translations that meet your needs and eliminate those that don't.

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