

NT & OT Commentary Recommendations

New Testament Commentaries

Matthew

1. Carson, Expositor's (Vol. 8, Zondervan, '84) technical
2. Hagner (2 vols., Word, '93, '94)
3. Davies & Allison, ICC (3 vols., T& T Clark, '88-'94)
4. Keener, (Eerdmans, 2001)

Mark

1. France, NIGTC (Eerdmans, 2002)
2. Edwards (Pillar, 2001)
3. Guelich (1-8, Word, '89) and Evans (9-16, Word, 2002)
4. Gundry (Eerdmans, 1992)

Luke

1. Bock, BEC (2 vol., Baker, '94-5)
2. Green, NICNT (Eerdmans, '95) replacement for Geldenhuys
3. Nolland (3 vols., Word, '89-93)
4. Fitzmyer, Anchor (2 vols., Doubleday, '81 & '85) Catholic

John

1. Carson, Pillar (Eerdmans, '91)
2. Brown, Anchor (2 vols., Doubleday, '66) Catholic; sacramental
3. Barrett (Westminster, '78)
4. Morris, NICNT (Eerdmans, '71) update '94

Acts

1. Barrett, ICC (2 vols., T&T Clark, '93, '9?)
2. Fitzmyer (Anchor, Doubleday, 2001)
3. Bruce, NICNT (Eerdmans, rev., 2000)
4. Larkin, IVPNTC (IVP, '95)

Romans

1. Moo, NICNT (Eerdmans, '94)
2. Cranfield, ICC (2 vols., T&T Clark, '75)
3. Dunn (2 vols., Word, '88) influenced by Sanders
4. Schreiner (BECNT, 1998)

First Corinthians

1. Thiselton, NIGTC (Eerdmans, 2002)
2. Fee, NICNT (Eerdmans, '87) charismatic
3. Barrett (Harper, '68; BNTC: Hendrickson, '93)
4. Blomberg (NIVAC, 1995)

Second Corinthians

1. Martin (Word, '86)
2. Furnish, Anchor (Doubleday, '84)
3. Barrett (Harper, '73; BNTC: Hendrickson, '93)
4. Harris, Expositor's (Vol. 10, Zondervan, '76)

Galatians

1. Longenecker (Word, '90) south Galatian
2. Bruce, NIGTC (Eerdmans, '82) south Galatian
3. Fung, NICNT (Eerdmans, '88) amillennial
4. Hansen, IVPNTC (IVP, '93)

Ephesians

1. Lincoln (Word, '90) non-Pauline authorship
2. O'Brien, Pillar (Eerdmans, '9?)
3. Barth, Anchor (2 vols., Doubleday, '74)
4. Hoehner, (Baker, 2000)

Philippians

1. O'Brien, NIGTC (Eerdmans, '91)
2. Fee, NICNT (Eerdmans, '95)
3. Hawthorne (Word, '83)
4. Thielman (NIVAC, 1995)

Colossians/Philemon

1. O'Brien (Word, '82)
2. Harris, EGGNT (Eerdmans, '91) grammatical study guide
3. Martin, New Century (Eerdmans, '81) written from Ephesus; Jew/Gent. heresy
4. Dunn (NIGTC, 1996)

1 & 2 Thessalonians

1. Wanamaker, NIGTC (Eerdmans, '90)
2. Bruce (Word, '82)
3. Marshall, New Century (Eerdmans, '90)
4. Beale, IVPNTC (IVP, 2003)

1 & 2 Timothy/Titus

1. Marshall, ICC (T&T Clark, '95)
2. Mounce (Word, 2000)
3. Knight, NIGTC (Eerdmans, '92)
4. Towner, IVPNTC (IVP, '94)

Hebrews

1. Lane (2 vols. Word, '91)
2. Ellingworth, NIGTC (Eerdmans, '93)
3. Attridge (Fortress, '89)
4. Hughes (Eerdmans, '77)

James

1. Moo, Pillar (Eerdmans, '9?)
2. Davids, NIGTC (Eerdmans, '82)
3. Martin (Word, '89)
4. Johnson (Anchor, 1995)

1 Peter

1. Michaels (Word, 88)
2. Davids, NICNT (Eerdmans, '90)
3. Marshall, IVPNTC (IVP, '92)
4. Troy Martin, NIGTC (Eerdmans, '94)

2 Peter/Jude

1. Bauckham (Word, '83) pseudepigraphic
2. Green, Tyndale (Eerdmans, '87) annihilationist
3. Webb, NICNT (Eerdmans, '94)

1-3 John

1. Brown, Anchor (Doubleday, '82) Catholic, sacramental
2. Marshall, NICNT (Eerdmans, '78)
3. Smalley (Word, '84)

Revelation

1. Beale, NIGTC (Eerdmans, '9?)
2. Aune (2 vols., Word, '9?)
3. Mounce, NICNT (Eerdmans, '77; rev. '95)
4. Beasley-Murray, New Century (Eerdmans, '83) amillennial

**OLD TESTAMENT
COMMENTARY BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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John Glynn, *A Commentary and Reference Survey: A Periodical Buyer's/Study Guide*, vol. 3, No. 2 (1998), fully revised and updated, available from the bookstores at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, 2065 Half Day Road, Deerfield, IL 60015 or Dallas Theological Seminary, 3909 Swiss Ave, Dallas, TX 75204.

Tremper Longman, III, *Old Testament Commentary Survey*. Second edition. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1995.

Series Abbreviations:

AB -- Anchor Bible (New York: Doubleday)
EBC -- Expositor's Bible Commentary (Grand Rapids: Zondervan)
H -- Hermeneia (Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress)
ICC -- International Critical Commentary (Edinburgh: T & T Clark)
JPSTC -- The JPS Torah Commentary (New York: The Jewish Publication Society)
NAC -- New American Commentary (Nashville, TN: Broadman & Holman)
NCBC -- The New Century Bible Commentary (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans)
NICOT -- New International Commentary on the Old Testament (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans)
NIVAC -- NIV Application Commentary (Grand Rapids: Zondervan)
OTL -- Old Testament Library (Philadelphia: Westminster)
TOTC -- Tyndale OT Commentary (Downers Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity)
WBC -- Word Biblical Commentary (Dallas, Texas: Word Books)
WEC -- Wycliffe Exegetical Commentary (Chicago: Moody)

Special notes:

One should also be aware of the well-worn but still valuable OT commentary set by Keil and Delitzsch (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans).

The following list derives partially from a survey of TEDS OT faculty opinions published in "The scribe" a few years ago. It is arranged in the order of my current preference, but in some cases with a certain amount of hesitance. The "labels" (i.e., conservative, non-conservative, and Jewish) indicate the general character of the commentary critically and theologically. There is a great deal of latitude in the use of these labels.

Genesis: Wenham, WBC (2 vols., 1987 and 1994; conservative)
 Hamilton, NICOT (2 vols., 1990 and 1995; conservative)
 Ross, *Creation and Blessing* (Baker, 1988; conservative)
 Sarna, JPSTC (1989; Jewish)
 Westermann, Continental (Augsburg, 3 vols., 1984-1988; non-conservative)

- Exodus: Childs, OTL (1974; non-conservative, but with canonical emphasis)
Sarna, JPSTC (1991; Jewish)
Cassuto (Magnus Press, 1967; Jewish conservative)
- Leviticus: Hartley, WBC (1992; conservative)
Milgrom, AB, 2 vols. (only vol. 1 finished, 1991; Jewish non-conservative)
Levine, JPSTC (1989; Jewish non-conservative)
Wenham, NICOT (1979; conservative)
- Numbers: Ashley, NICOT (1993; conservative)
Milgrom, JPSTC (1990; Jewish non-conservative)
Levine, AB, 2 vols. (only vol. 1 finished, 1993; Jewish non-conservative)
Wenham, TOTC (1981; evangelical)
- Deuteronomy: Craigie, NICOT (1976; conservative)
Tigay, JPSTC (1995; Jewish)
Merrill, NAC (1994; conservative)
Weinfeld, AB (only vol. 1 finished, 1991; non-conservative)
- Joshua: Hess, TOTC (1996; conservative)
Woudstra, NICOT (1981; conservative)
Boling and Wright, AB (1982; non-conservative)
- Judges: Block, NAC (1998; conservative)
Boling, AB (1975; non-conservative)
Cundall, TOTC (with Ruth, 1968; conservative)
- Ruth: Hubbard, NICOT (1989; conservative)
Campbell, AB (1975; non-conservative)
Morris, TOTC (with Judges, 1968; conservative)
- 1 & 2 Samuel: Gordon, Robert (Zondervan, 1986; conservative)
Baldwin, TOTC (1988; conservative)
McCarter, AB (1980; non-conservative)
- 1 & 2 Kings: Cogan/Tadmor, AB, 2 vols. (only vol. 1 finished, 1988; non-conservative)
Wiseman, TOTC (1993; conservative)
- 1 & 2 Chron: Japhet, OTL (1993; non-conservative)
Selman, TOTC (1994; conservative)
Dillard, WBC (only 2 Chronicles; 1986; conservative)
Braun, WBC (only 1 Chronicles, 1986; conservative)

- Ezra-Neh: Fensham, NICOT (1982; conservative)
Williamson, WBC (1985; conservative)
- Esther: Baldwin, TOTC (1984; conservative)
Breneman, NAC (with Esther, 1993; conservative)
Clines, NCBC (1984; non-conservative)
- Job: Hartley, NICOT (1988; conservative)
Clines, WBC, 2 vols. (1989 and 1998; non-conservative)
Habel, OTL (1985; non-conservative)
Andersen, TOTC (1976; conservative)
- Psalms: Craigie/Tate/Allen, WBC, 3 vols. (1983-1990; conservative)
VanGemeren, EBC, vol. 5 (1991; conservative)
Kraus, Continental (2 vols., 1988; also another vol. on theol. of Psalms, 1986;
non-conservative)
Kidner, TOTC (2 vols., 1973 and 1975; conservative)
Perowne (Zondervan reprint; conservative)
- Proverbs: Garrett, NAC (with Eccl. and S. of S., 1993; conservative)
Kidner, TOTC (1964; conservative)
McKane, OTL (1970; non-conservative)
- Ecclesiastes: Longman, NICOT (1998; conservative)
Murphy, WBC (1992; non-conservative)
Seow, AB (1997; non-conservative)
- Song of Sol: Garrett, NAC (with Proverbs and Eccl.; 1993; conservative)
Pope, AB (1977; non-conservative)
Murphy, H (1990; non-conservative)
Keel, Continental (Augsburg, 1994; non-conservative)
- Isaiah: Oswalt, NICOT (2 vols., 1986 and 1998; conservative)
Wildeberger, Continental (Augsburg, 4 vols., 3 vols. finished, 1991, 1996, 1998;
non-conservative)
Young (Eerdmans, 3 vols.; conservative)
- Jeremiah: Thompson, NICOT (1980; conservative)
Holladay, H, 2 vols. (1986, 1989; non-conservative)
McKane, ICC (2 vols.; 1986 and 1996; non-conservative)
Craigie, et al., WBC (2 vols., 1991 and 1995; conservative)
- Lamentations: Hillers, AB (1992; non-conservative)
Provan, NCBC (1991; non-conservative)

- Ezekiel: Block, NICOT (2 vols., 1997 and 1998; conservative)
 Zimmerli, H. (2 vols., 1979 and 1983; non-conservative)
 Allen, WBC (2 vols., 1990 and 1994; conservative)
 Greenberg, AB (2 of 3 vols. finished through chap. 37, 1983 and 1997; non-conservative)
- Daniel: Goldingay, WBC (1989; conservative)
 Collins, H (1993; non-conservative)
 Longman, NIVAC (1999; conservative)
 Wood (Zondervan, 1973; conservative)
 Baldwin, TOTC (1978; conservative)
- Minor Proph: McComiskey, editor, 3 vols. (Baker; 1990, 1992, 1996; conservative)
NOTE: this set is assumed below and should be consulted in each of the twelve minor prophets
- Hosea: Andersen/Freedman, AB (1980; conservative)
 Wolff, H (1977; non-conservative)
 Stuart, WBC (with Joel-Jonah; 1987; conservative)
- Joel: Allen, NICOT (with Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, 1976; conservative)
 Crenshaw, AB (1995; non-conservative)
 Wolff, H (with Amos, 1977; non-conservative)
 Stuart, WBC (with Hosea and Amos-Jonah, 1987; conservative)
 Finley, WEC (with Amos and Obadiah, 1990; conservative)
- Amos: Paul, H (1991; Jewish)
 Andersen/Freedman, AB (1989; non-conservative)
 Wolff, H (with Joel, 1977; non-conservative)
 Finley, WEC (with Joel and Obadiah, 1990; conservative)
- Obadiah: Raabe, AB (1996; conservative)
 Allen, NICOT (with Joel, Jonah, Micah; 1976; conservative)
 Watts (Eerdmans, 1969; conservative)
 Finley, WEC (with Joel and Amos; 1990; conservative)
- Jonah: Sasson, AB (1990; non-conservative)
 Allen, NICOT (with Joel, Obadiah, Micah, 1976; conservative)
 Stuart, WBC (with Hosea-Obadiah, 1987; conservative)
- Micah: Allen, NICOT (with Joel, Obadiah, Jonah, 1976; conservative)
 Wolff, Continental (Augsburg, 1990; non-conservative)
 Hillers, H (1983; non-conservative)

- Nahum: Robertson, NICOT (with Habakkuk and Zephaniah, 1990; conservative)
 Maier (Concordia, 1959; conservative)
 Patterson, WEC (with Habakkuk and Zephaniah, 1991; conservative)
- Habakkuk: Robertson, NICOT (with Nahum and Zephaniah, 1990; conservative)
 Patterson, WEC (with Nahum and Zephaniah, 1991; conservative)
- Zephaniah: Berlin, AB (1994; non-conservative)
 Robertson, NICOT (with Nahum and Habakkuk, 1990; conservative)
 Patterson, WEC (with Nahum and Habakkuk, 1991; conservative)
- Haggai: Verhoef, NICOT (with Malachi; 1986; conservative)
 Baldwin, TOTC (with Zechariah and Malachi; 1972; conservative)
 Wolff, Continental (Augsburg, 1988; non-conservative)
 Merrill, WEC (with Zechariah and Malachi, 1994; conservative)
 Meyers, AB (2 vols., with Zechariah and Malachi, 1987 and 1993; non-conservative)
- Zechariah: Baldwin, TOTC (with Haggai and Malachi; 1972; conservative)
 Merrill, WEC (with Haggai and Malachi, 1994; conservative)
 Petersen, OTL, 2 vols. (with Haggai and Malachi; 1984, 1995; non-conservative)
 Meyers, AB (2 vols., with Haggai and Malachi, 1987 and 1993; non-conservative)
- Malachi: Hill, AB (1998; conservative)
 Verhoef, NICOT (with Haggai; 1986; conservative)
 Baldwin, TOTC (with Haggai and Zechariah; 1972; conservative)
 Meyers, AB (2 vols., with Haggai and Zechariah, 1987 and 1993; non-conservative)