

The Holy Bible

(the title on the cover will vary)

God's word is inerrant and infallible in its original manuscript. But not all Bibles are created equal due to their various translations. The following are translations that stay truest to God's word as translated into English and a list of translations to avoid.

We hope there was a copy of the Bible left with this guidebook and that it is one of the good translations listed below. If you are unsure of the Bible you have, compare the verses with the scriptures in this guidebook. You should be able to determine if the verbiage used would be considered a good translation.

Good Translations		BAD Translations
Amplified Bible (AMP)	King James Version (KJV)	New World Translation (NWT) (Anything Jehovah's Witness)
Christian Standard Bible (CSB)	New American Standard Bible (NASB)	"The Message"
Contemporary English Version (CEV)	New English Translation (NET)	The Passion Translation (TPT)
English Standard Version (ESV)	New International Version (NIV)	Revised Standard Version (RSV)
God's Word Translation (GW)	New King James Version (NKJV)	New Revised Standard Version Catholic Edition (Anything Catholic)
Good News Translation (GNT)	New Living Translation (NLT)	The book of Mormon (Anything Mormon)
Holman Christian Standard Bible (HCSB)	Tree of Life Bible (TLV)	Anything that is <i>Not the Bible</i> but is held in a <i>very high regard</i> is BAD

The scripture verses in this guidebook are from the **New King James Version** and the **New International Version**.

The version used for each verse was **selected** for **ease** of being **understood** without much additional explanation

So then **faith comes by hearing**, and **hearing by the word of God**.

Romans 10:17 NKJV

How to read and study God's word

Pray always before reading God's word and **ask** the Holy Spirit for **wisdom** and **understanding**.

It is ok to quote a single scripture verse alone.

BUT it is **important** to understand what it means and to do that you must understand the verse **in the context** it was **intended**. Lies begin with at least a little bit of truth.

Read the **verses around** it, the chapter and *if needed* the entire book that the verse is in.

Some verses or sections of verses **stand on their own** very well. Some do not. In this guidebook we have tried to make sure all the scriptures used are **easily read** in their **original** intended context.

**So shall My [GOD'S] word be that goes forth from My mouth;
It shall not return to Me [GOD] void,
But it shall accomplish what I please,
And it shall prosper *in the thing* for which I sent it.**

[Interjections in brackets] Isaiah 55:11 NKJV

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We **requested** that a copy of the **Bible** be **left with this guidebook**. If you have the opportunity to **study** the Bible, **pray first**. And we **encourage** you to read the verses and the **chapter** or **book** these verses come from.

The Holy Spirit is the **author of the Bible** (using many different men to hold the pen).

No one can understand the Bible unless the Holy Spirit allows them to. People read the words on the pages of a book called the Bible all the time. But **they lack the wisdom** to understand the words they read.

Seek and you shall **find**. **Ask** and you shall **receive**. If you, with a **sincere heart**, ask **God** to **reveal** Himself to you **through His word**, He will.

But if you just want to say you have read the **Bible**, you can. But you will only be **reading letters strung together** that make words, which lack the **living power** given by the **Holy Spirit through His wisdom**.