

Recent additions on Bible Student Archives

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Otherwise nearly 20% of others are updated annually with edits, extensions, or minor corrections.
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07/2025	Articles & Studies section: The Name of God — In the New Testament: George Howard, 1978 Evidence that the sacred Hebrew tetragammaton for YHWH was penned in the earliest first Century Greek manuscripts and was dropped later in the second century and replaced with the Greek <i>kyrios</i> and <i>theos</i>. The evidence is that when using the Greek form of words in quoting the Old Testament, there was a blurring of identities as in Psalm 110:1 and Matthew 22:44, etc. It is concluded that "it may be that the removal of the Tetragrammaton contributed significantly to the later Christological and Trinitarian debates which plagued the church of the early Christian centuries."
08/2024	Early Christian View — of War and Military Service, 46 pages Bible Students Coordinating Committee for Religious Objectors and Selective Service Concerns. - Historical Facts - Significance of the Early Christian Witness - Scriptural References Links: Religious Objection ~ Conscience and War ~ Center on Conscience
10/2025	Lives & Chronicles section: Bible Students in Poland — During the Nazi Occupation, Orlovskiy and Shpak, 2023 Histories of Religious Bible Student Groups (<i>Badaczy Pisma Świętego</i>) in Poland during the Nazi Occupation and afterward. This study aims to shed light on the Bible Students in Poland during the Second World War. It identifies 5 communities of Bible Students formed following the death of Charles Russell in 1916. It also documents the lives and activities of a number of persons and experiences in the movement including Janina Fitz and August Stahn. The 24 pages are well footnoted throughout with references, resources and documents.
08/2025	Tamara Usachenko — A life transformed in Siberia, 1941 - 2025 Here is a sketch of Tamara's life and how moving from Kazakhstan to Siberia, she was able to find Bible Students. Here she discovered the beauties of the Divine Plan in the Scriptures. This enabled her to live above the privations of a harsh life and to offer herself in sacrifice and service for others.
04/2025	Romania Persecution — Personal Testimonies, 1993 Two families share Bible Student history and personal experiences. Here is correspondence with Ruth Cunningham which she translated and transcribed. Some points overlap with the book: "<i>Sky through Bars</i>" - Inspirational Memoirs by Ligia Brie. Yet here are some additional heart-searching histories and insights shared in these letters to Ruth. In this way these pages may be considered somewhat of a sequel to "<i>Sky</i>".
05/2025	Church History section: James Strong — 1822-1894. <i>Exhaustive Concordance</i>, and much more Joseph Bryant Rotherham — 1828-1910. <i>The Emphasized Bible</i> Henry Grattan Guinness — 1835-1910. Eschatology Charles T. Russell — 1852-1916. Pastor for millions
03/2025	Isaac Newton — 1642-1726 <i>Religious Prophetic Student, Heretic and Reformer</i> 2024 His studies and treatises on Biblical accuracy, chronology, history, prophecy, monuments and measures continued to challenge and reshape theology for centuries to follow. By the turn of the century, Newton's massive "Drafts on the History of the Church" illustrated his views on the Trinity's development, culminating in a rejection of Trinitarian doctrine in favor of "one true God" as the Father alone. Newton asserted that certain early Church Fathers—particularly the fourth-century Archbishop Athanasius—had deliberately altered the text to align with their doctrinal agendas. Privately, Newton arrived at radical conclusions about the history of Christianity, including a strong conviction that the doctrine of the Trinity was a post-biblical corruption.
10/2025	Chronology section: Jesus Birth — Scriptural Time-line, Jerry Leslie Using the premise in Edgar's 1924, chapter 10 study: Here is a graphical map of Biblical events leading to the birth of John the Baptist to Elizabeth and birth of Jesus to Mary, connecting with the 24 courses of priesthood. John's father was the 8th in rotation. Viewing the details of the chart may require zooming to magnify and panning the 14 inch page.

02/2025	Key Events — In Daniel's Prophecies From the 70 Literal Years of Desolation and 70 Symbolic Weeks reaching to Messiah. Here are marked the key dates and figures on a timeline of history from the Desolation of Jerusalem until the commission of Artaxerxes to Nehemiah. Helpful to visually relate the persons and events on the stage of history and prophecy. Prepared by the Associated Bible Students of Ohio.
03/2023	Evidences section: EXODUS EVIDENCE for 1615 BC, from Geology, Archaeology and Astronomy: The ancient eruption of the volcano in the Aegean Sea named Santorini or Thera has been considered a possible “natural” explanation for the 10 plagues and Exodus has long been postulated. Ash from the eruption is found in both Egypt and Israel excavations. The precision dating of the Thera event that destroyed the Minoan civilization (Crete) has surfaced setting forth a series of eruptions between 1627-1600 BC. Otherwise this is stated as 1613 ± 13 BC. Bible Chronology places the Exodus at 1615 BC, and is central to this projected dating.
08/2022	Secret Code of Creation — Dr. Jason Lisle, 2019 A one-hour video: Creation patterns of design seen in the mathematical Mandelbrot Set and the fractal geometric properties observed in all the earth and universe. The evidence is for the Creator with Purposeful Design. The first 12 minutes introduce basic math concepts but quickly advances to patterns that challenge every evolution theory. For the mathematically inclined, this is an hour well spent. We do not validate other theological views that may be held by the speaker or sponsor. However, this is a classic presentation as long as it remains on the internet.
04/2024	Inspirational section: Hymns of Millennial Dawn — All the Hymns Download to a preferred location for the extended features from a local file. Features — For using this file locally.
02/2024	The Order of Melchizedek — L. K. P., Canada Here is the Plan of the Ages told in poetry. The 49 verses follow the Messiah from the annunciation and song to the shepherds until the last supper and onward to the cross, death and resurrection. Then follows the calling of the church and glory bringing salvation, life and kingdom blessings with the "Order of Melchizedek.” Written by Laura K. Poole, the author of "The Ten Camels" and "The Son of the Highest."
04/2025	Israel section: Torah Jurisprudence — Influence on modern civilized jurisprudence, Wes Cramer, 2002 Here is a tabulation of laws cited in the Torah, the books of Moses. Many of these are to be found on the statute books of Great Britain, the United States and other countries. Many of them enacted with a view to protecting the interest of the weak against the strong, and of doing justice to all. Nevertheless, it is not surprising that its very highest conceptions of justice are sometimes bent and twisted--wrested. (F604)
03/2025	Before Herzl — There was Pastor Russell: A Neglected Chapter in Zionism By Philippe Bohstrom, in Haaretz Israel News August 22, 2018 Philippe Bohstrom is an archaeologist, covering archaeology for news outlets and journals in America, Europe and Asia. Bohstrom holds a master's degree in Classical Archaeology from Gothenburg University and a master’s degree in Near Eastern Archaeology and History from Tel Aviv University.
09/2025	Prophecy section: Eight Principal Men — Micah 5:5, Shofar Press, Alys, 68 pages. The time when northern armies (the Assyrian) invade the land of Israel and take over their cities. The turning point comes when the Lord raises “seven shepherds” and “eight principal men.” Here is a dramatization (in the style of the "<i>Alive Again</i>" series) with a scenario using numerous end-time scriptures when nations (not people) of the world will be brought to a full end...but Israel will be delivered. A scripture index is included.
06/2025	Revelation — How to study it and have it make sense, D. Doran This may be considered as a primer with an overview and basic rules for understanding. It will provide an outline that is generally accepted as sound by serious, enlightened students of the Bible. It also will provide the tools and processes which, if applied, will help to understand the meaning of this wonderful prophecy.
01/2025	Pyramid section: Architectural Visualization — Great Pyramid 3D Modelling - Andrián Szabó, 2023

11/2024	Precision perspectives of the exterior and interior. The drawings were created from data accumulated by archaeologists, architects and Pyramid explorers over the past two centuries. The study of the Great Pyramid from an architectural and engineering point of view serve as a good start for studying its structure, but also facilitates the work of researchers for the meaning of this magnificent structure that has endured for millennia. * These drawings all use <i>metric measures</i> as meters, centimeters, etc. Pyramid Studies — Detailed studies on the Great Pyramid. Hugo Karlén, 1936-1953. 44 pages Hugo Karlén was a devoted Bible Student in Sweden. In the early 1900s he was serving as an agent for Pastor Russell is distributing literature in Swedish Here are 37 selections from his Pyramid studies translated to English. As a fluent mathematician, these mathematical, geographical, astronomical and chronology studies reveal profound engineering aspects of divine engineering.
07/2025	Publishing section: EBC-Preface — to the Expanded Biblical Comments These comments were prepared in the 1970s with extracts from the writings of Pastor Russell. Three editions were issued, each with a Preface. The last issue was in 1989. Here are the 3 Prefaces. These are the interesting histories, an accounting of the work process and guides to the textual notations.
06/2025	Solomon — Anton Frey: "Notes on the Song of Solomon." This commentary on the Song of Solomon explains the typical application of the love song for the relationship between Jesus and his spiritual bride class. Wilderness Wanderings — Anton Frey: "Our Wilderness Wanderings" Lessons from Israel in the wilderness. Practical and prophetic experiences in wilderness survival that formed a nation for future generations. See the Anton Frey biography in the Lives and Chronicles section.
07/2025	Tabernacle section: Tabernacle Vessels and Furniture — Henry William Soltau, London 1860, 1873 Soltau continued his Tabernacle studies with this detail examination of each article in the tabernacle. Beautifully illustrated. Introduction: "The writer wishes to draw the attention of believers to a part of the word so eminently typical of the Lord Jesus, but has been little investigated, and feebly appreciated. The writer does not pretend to offer a full exposition of these types... All he wishes is, to submit what he has written to the spiritual judgment of the saints of God, trusting there may be found in it that which shall, to some extent, interest or refresh; and that there are not any fundamental errors touching the person or work of the blessed Lord."
06/2023	Jewish Tabernacle — Its Furniture in their Typical Teachings. Richard Newton, D.D., 1874, 408 pages Published 7 years before the standard of interpretation by C.T. Russell in 1881. Still, the symbolisms are seriously considered, including detailed graphics. Newton was a rector of a Philadelphia Protestant Episcopal church. He has a single reference to the trinity on page 165. Otherwise this is inspiring reading.
06/2020	Links section: KutscherFiles.pdf — 2020 A two-page PDF listing with Dropbox links to collections of Bible Student resources. Brian Kutscher says: The time has come to share these treasures that other brethren have shared with me, as well as some that are from my own cameras/scanner. Some of these things took over 30 years for me to get them out to the brethren. This was mainly because the technology to scan/photograph high resolution (large) images and inexpensive storage only recently became available. But I've been curating these things for some time - and there are many more things to share.