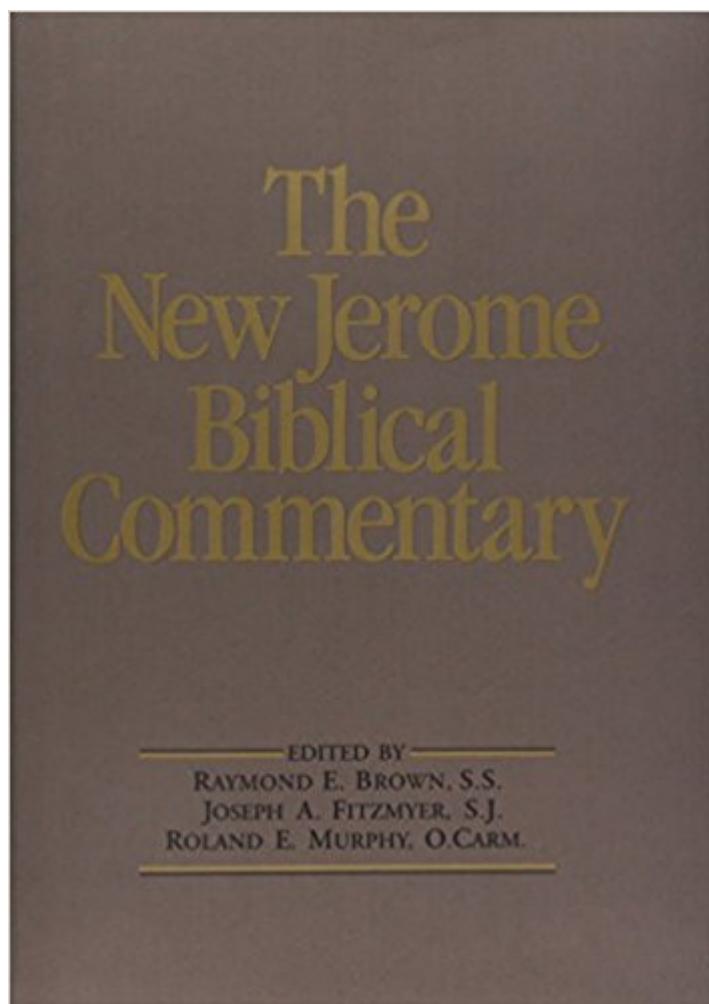


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This contemporary verse by verse commentary examines the scientific, literary, and historical content of the Scriptures -- reflecting the exegetical variation found within the community of scholars.

This reference book is a compact commentary on the entire Bible that readers can use to familiarize themselves with the methods and paths followed by biblical scholars. It features current theories on dating, historical reconstruction, and archaeological information. Contemporary perspectives and topical articles of an introductory nature include Hermeneutics, Canonicity, Old Testament themes, and coverage of biblical theology. Additional commentary includes articles on Jesus, the early Church, Gnosticism, and the subapostolic church. Especially for seminarians and clergy who require a commentary on the Scriptures both during their formal study of theology and for preaching

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Finally found a Catholic "Total" Bible Commentary...been looking for one for years until this one was finally suggested to me. I owe that person a debt of gratitude if I can ever trace back to where this advice was given to me. Wish it were available in e format but it is about the size of my printed dictionary, larger than my NAB Catholic Study Bible when stuffing it into a bag it seems but not that much larger and thicker but it is somewhat...I recommend this to any person seriously into bible studying or student.

I originally purchased the paperback version because it's listed as a later edition (3rd edition). After receiving it I checked the title page and it didn't indicate 3rd edition anywhere. I ordered the hardcover to double-check and send one back. They are identical (except the hardcover is over \$50 less and a much nicer book). This is clearly an issue with the publisher because Pearson not only lists the hardcover as 1st edition but they also list the hardcover as 890 pages ( actually lists the correct number of pages). The publisher lists the softcover as a 3rd edition with a 1999 copyright, but this is definitely not the case (title page copyright on both is 1990 -- no edition listed). I was initially slightly concerned because the hardcover shipped in the original publishers box that clearly has 1ST EDITION stamped on the outside of the sealed box. These aren't even different printings. I spot checked around a dozen pages from front to back and the word order on the pages and the number of pages are identical. The first intro page actually lists the same ISBN for both, but the main title page does list different ISBNs. Looking at the sequence of numbers that sometimes indicate the number of printings, the hardcover actually has a higher sequence (it's exactly doubled so I suspect this is something else other than printings).Bottom line...excellent commentary and if you want to save over \$50 and have a nicer book, get the hardcover.

So far, I find this Biblical Commentary very helpful with the Course I'm studying. It is a wonderful reference book but not one you begin on the first page and read through! It's scholarly and is laid out very satisfactorily.

I received a used one for a great price and it came and was like brand new! And any sign of use or old age just made the book much better! Very happy to have one with a classic feel to it.

Somewhat comparable to the "Sacra Pagina," except the articles are shorter than reading a whole book on a given Book of Scripture as with the Sacra Pagina, yet still conveys important details regarding The Scriptures. The book is a little "dated," but the articles are still relevant. If you are serious about your Scriptural Study, this is an excellent source of extra information. It is also much cheaper than buying the Sacra Pagina series (one for each Book of Scripture), although they go into far more depth on each Book of the Bible. Personally, I think a serious Scriptural student should have both "The Jerome Biblical Commentary" AND the "Sacra Pagina" on his or her bookshelf. But start with the Jerome Biblical Commentary if you are new to studying the Bible as it will not overwhelm you.

I like this commentary because it gives you the exact view of the church in each Bible book and explains in thorough detail every verse and what other theologians have to say about their meaning. It has helped me understand the bible better.

This is the revised and updated version of the famous volume named for St. Jerome, the great Christian biblical scholar who insisted that "Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ." I am certain that he would be honored that his name graces the title of this commentary, which has been helping pastors and students for decades. Inside this work you will find the books of the Bible listed individually, with detailed commentary on verses and even partial verses. Prior to the detailed commentary, a helpful historical sketch is given to assist the reader in situating the particular biblical book in its context. It includes maps and charts. Though this volume comes highly recommended, it is not always on the "cutting edge" of biblical scholarship. If you choose to utilize this volume, you have made a wise choice, but you should not limit your library to this commentary alone.

Many scholars list this as the best one volume biblical commentary. The slightly used volume I received is in good condition.

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