



BibleWorks 7

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What I will cover

- This is *not* a sales pitch
- What motivated us to get Bibleworks
- Why we chose Bibleworks
- How it works
- How we installed on a network
- How we support use of Bibleworks
- If there is interest – some searches

why we got it

- What motivated us to get Bibleworks:
 - Why we chose Bibleworks
- Recommendation from a lecturer, already available on a single PC at a partner library
 - Recommendation from a lecturer, robust, affordable, technical issues OK

What Bibleworks does

- *BibleWorks is the premier original languages Bible software program for Biblical exegesis and research.*
- *It comes with Greek, Hebrew, and Septuagint Bibles for your computer, as well as translations in English, German, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, ...*

Hard to use?

- Simple Searches
- With BibleWorks, you can find it. Here are some examples of simple searches you can do with BibleWorks

It isn't the only way to get biblical texts electronically ... if you just want some verses in a common translation use [The Bible Gateway](#) or many other ways – if in doubt google the passage you want.

Find all verses containing a phrase.

E.g. weeping and gnashing

The screenshot shows the BibleWorks software interface. The search bar at the top contains the phrase "weeping and gnashing". Below the search bar, a list of verses is displayed, including Matthew 8:12, Matthew 13:42, Matthew 13:50, Matthew 22:13, Matthew 24:51, Matthew 25:30, and Luke 13:28. The selected verse, Matthew 8:12, is shown in a larger font with its original Greek text and a translation: "But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." The right-hand side of the window displays the original Greek text and a translation of the selected verse. A 'Notes' panel on the right provides additional information about the search results, including the word analysis and the use of the NRSV directly under the search results.

Notes
 Left hand side the search window—you type in a phrase starting with a speech mark, in this case searching the NRSV directly underneath appear the results, further down the "index" results. In the centre the browse window showing the verses—in the versions you have selected.
 The right hand window has different tabs to show "analysis" e.g. dictionary entries, or your own notes and editor
 Mouse over the greek or hebrew to get definition and part of speech.

Find all verses in which “deed” or “deeds” appear within five verses of “faith”

The screenshot shows the BibleWorks interface with search results for the query 'faith deed/5'. The results are displayed in a list view, showing verses from the Bible where 'faith' and 'deed' or 'deeds' appear within five verses of each other. The results include:

- Gen 9:13
- Ps 105:22
- Ps 105:29
- Act 26:20
- Rom 3:20
- 1Co 12:28
- Col 1:21
- Hab 10:17
- Hab 10:24
- 1Pe 1:17
- Act 14:15
- Rom 14:13

The interface also shows a detailed view of the search results, including the text of the verses and the specific words 'deed' and 'deeds' highlighted. The search results are displayed in a list view, showing verses from the Bible where 'faith' and 'deed' or 'deeds' appear within five verses of each other. The results include:

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There are a lot more useful searches you could do but anyway, by having the resource summary tab selected you get quite a choice of relevant information from the reference sources.

The editor : saving results

The screenshot displays the BibleWorks interface with several windows open. The main window shows search results for the word 'deads' in the Greek text of Romans 3:20. The results list includes verses from Ezra, Psalms, Acts, Hebrews, and Revelation. A 'Statistics word list' window shows a bar chart of the word's frequency across different books. An 'Analysis window text' window shows the word's frequency in the Bible. A 'Statistical graph' window shows a bar chart of the word's frequency across different books. A 'Search window verse list' window shows the search results for the word 'deads' in the Bible. A 'Text of verses in verse list' window shows the text of the verses found in the search results.

Search window verse list

Text of verses in verse list

Statistics word list

Analysis window text

Statistical graph

Notes

This rather busy window is to show how you can use the editor. Most people would use it to copy verses etc for later use in a word document.

Cost

Single user

- **Full Version**
- **US\$349.00**

Full BibleWorks 7 Product



Network

A BibleWorks *network (site) license* is available for up to a given number of simultaneous users (controlled and accountable "nodes") at *one physically contiguous site*.

- **Minimum Site/Multi-User/Network License for BibleWorks 7: five (5) user nodes for US\$1050.**
- **Each additional user node is US\$175, these may be ordered later.**

Installing on a network

- We installed on a shared drive (accessible to library computers but not from off-campus or from other campus networks).
- The user defined fields were set *and locked* - so everyone gets the same view when they start.
- Ideally we would like all products to be IP-authenticated Internet available ...

Support

- One class which students can sign up for per semester.
- Individual / small group help as asked for.
- The videos – fairly thorough – how I learned to use it.