

Ezra And Nehemiah Life Application Bible Studies

The Word Biblical Commentary delivers the best in biblical scholarship, from the leading scholars of our day who share a commitment to Scripture as divine revelation. This series emphasizes a thorough analysis of textual, linguistic, structural, and theological evidence. The result is judicious and balanced insight into the meanings of the text in the framework of biblical theology. These widely acclaimed commentaries serve as exceptional resources for the professional theologian and instructor, the seminary or university student, the working minister, and everyone concerned with building theological understanding from a solid base of biblical scholarship.

The Old Testament books of Ezra and Nehemiah provide a testimony to God's sovereignly working through people to accomplish His redemptive purposes. This Navigator Bible guide contains studies on both books. Learn about faithfulness, right worship, and the need to patiently endure in the face of difficulty in Ezra. Nehemiah continues the story with an inspiring account of returning to faithfulness and doing God's work no matter what. • 8 sessions • Personal study between meetings • Includes study aids and discussion questions

General editor Lloyd J. Ogilvie brings together a team of skilled and exceptional communicators to blend sound scholarship with life-related illustrations. The design for the Preacher's Commentary gives the reader an overall outline of each book of the Bible. Following the introduction, which reveals the author's approach and salient background on the book, each chapter of the commentary provides the Scripture to be expounded. The New King James Bible has been chosen for the Preacher's Commentary because it combines with integrity the beauty of language, underlying Hebrew and Greek textual basis, and thought-flow of the 1611 King James Version, while replacing obsolete verb forms and other archaisms with their everyday contemporary counterparts for greater readability. Reverence for God is preserved in the capitalization of all pronouns referring to the Father, Son, or Holy Spirit. Readers who are more comfortable with another translation can readily find the parallel passage by means of the chapter and verse reference at the end of each passage being expounded. The paragraphs of exposition combine fresh insights to the Scripture, application, rich illustrative material, and innovative ways of utilizing the vibrant truth for his or her own life and for the challenge of communicating it with vigor and vitality.

Two leaders, one burning mission: restoration. When the people of Israel returned to Jerusalem after their exile in Babylon, they found the city laid waste, the temple destroyed, and their way of life obliterated. Out of the ashes of this devastation, two leaders emerged to restore the foundations of their worship and their city. Ezra, the first to return, set out to restore true worship in Jerusalem by reminding the people of God's teaching, what it meant for them, and how it should shape their lives. Nehemiah, the next to arrive, exchanged his royal cupbearer's robes for coveralls and got to work rebuilding the wall. The project took twelve years and was an uphill battle all the way – with grumpy workers, squabbles, and enemies lurking at every turn. The efforts of these men reveal just how much God can accomplish in our lives when we follow where he leads. The Life Lessons with Max Lucado series brings the Bible to life in twelve lessons filled with intriguing questions, inspirational stories, and poignant reflections to take you deeper into God's Word. Each lesson includes an opening reflection, background information, an excerpt of the text (from the New International and New King James versions), exploration questions, inspirational thoughts from Max, and a closing takeaway for further reflection. The Life Lessons series is ideal for use in both a small-group setting and for individual study.

Psalms, Volume 2

Finding the Heart's True Home

Joel, Nahum, and Malachi

A Life Changing Encounter with God's Word from the Books of Ezra & Nehemiah

The Communicator's Commentary

Fensham's study on the Books of Ezra and Nehemiah is a contribution to The New International Commentary on the Old Testament. Like its companion series on the New Testament, this commentary devotes considerable care to achieving a balance between technical information and homiletic-devotional interpretation.

The story of Ezra and Nehemiah plays out against a backdrop of ruins. There's a ruined city, a ruined house of worship, ruined homes--ruined life with God. As is often the case in our own lives, the wreckage was largely their own fault. Their path to rebuilding, at its core, was a journey back to God. As you study Ezra and Nehemiah with Iain Duguid, you too will be encouraged to return to the God who is always faithful. Duguid dives into lamenting sin, facing opposition, faithfully worship, and battling discouragement. This study will renew your joy in the Lord and encourage you to turn away from your own way and toward God, ultimately discovering Jesus is the one who rebuilds and brings new life where there is ruin and decay. This small group guide with leader's notes includes ten in-depth lessons that include discussion questions, a short article to read, and a practical application section that can be used for one-to-one discipleship, small group, or large group settings. Ezra and Nehemiah: Rebuilding What's Ruined is part of The Gospel-Centered Life in the Bible series published in partnership with Serge. Each book in the series examines how the gospel story is revealed throughout both the Old and New Testaments.

The Knowing the Bible series is a resource designed to help Bible readers better understand and apply God's Word. These 12-week studies lead participants through books of the Bible and are made up of four basic components: (1) reflection questions help readers engage the text at a deeper level; (2) "Gospel Glimpses" highlight the gospel of grace throughout the book; (3) "Whole-Bible Connections" show how any given passage connects to the Bible's overarching story of redemption, culminating in Christ; and (4) "Theological Soundings" identify how historic orthodox doctrines are taught or reinforced throughout Scripture. With

contributions from an array of influential pastors and church leaders, these gospel-centered studies will help Christians see and cherish the message of God's grace on every page of the Bible. The books of Ezra and Nehemiah tell of God's steadfast love toward Israel after their return from exile. The Lord raised up Ezra and Nehemiah to reestablish the nation by rebuilding the temple and city walls and by turning the people back to his Word. In this 12-week study, Kathleen Nielson shows readers God's mercy and faithfulness demonstrated in the books of Ezra and Nehemiah, encouraging Christians toward sincere repentance and persevering hope. Part of the Knowing the Bible series.

The people of Israel were carried away to Babylon, where they lived as exiles and outcasts. God sent this judgment on His people because of their continued unfaithfulness to His word—but the day came when He called them to return to Jerusalem. However, when they arrived there, they discovered things had dramatically changed for the worse. The Temple was destroyed, the city walls were torn down, and the land had been taken over by people who did not want them back. There was work to be done, and it was not going to be easy. In this study, John MacArthur guides readers through an in-depth look at the historical period beginning with Ezra's early return to Jerusalem, continuing through the teachings of Israel's prophets during the time, and concluding with Nehemiah and the people's rebuilding efforts in the city. Studies include close-up examinations of Ezra, Nehemiah, Haggai, Zechariah, and others, as well as careful considerations of doctrinal themes such as "Unequally Yoked" and "Worshiping God." The MacArthur Bible Studies provide intriguing examinations of the whole of Scripture. Each guide incorporates extensive commentary, detailed observations on overriding themes, and probing questions to help you study the Word of God with guidance from John MacArthur.

Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther (Teach the Text Commentary Series)

Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther for Everyone

An Exegetical and Theological Exposition of Holy Scripture

The Books of Ezra and Nehemiah

60 Biblical Insights by Robert M. Solomon

Ezra and Nehemiah chart the Jews' return to Jerusalem from exile and the beginnings of a rebirth. Derek Kidner clearly and succinctly deals with the complex literary and historical problems surrounding these two books and their chief characters.

Though the books of Ezra and Nehemiah have sometimes been neglected in Old Testament scholarship, this NBST volume focuses on Ezra-Nehemiah as a literary unit that tells God's grand story of saving activity, exploring Ezra-Nehemiah's interest in the redeemed community and how to be a godly participant in God's story of the redemption and restoration of his people.

Imagine studying the Bible with Max Lucado. This beautifully designed Bible contains Lucado's dramatic introductions to each book and 48 special color pages which address topics from forgiveness to victory. Also, more than 1,000 Life Lessons offer insight from Max and other respected Christian leaders.-- Book introductions-- 48 topical devotions-- Topical index to devotional thoughts-- Two-year devotional reading plan-- Dictionary with topical concordance--

Presentation pages-- How To Study The Bible notes from Max Lucado-- New King James Version

One in a series of twenty Old Testament verse-by-verse commentary books edited by Max Anders. Includes discussion starters, teaching plan, and more. Great for lay teachers and pastors alike.

A Pastoral and Contextual Commentary

Overcoming Fear and Discouragement

Ezra, Nehemiah

Ezra/Nehemiah

Book of Ezra and Nehemiah

Best-selling author Richard J. Foster offers a warm, compelling, and sensitive primer on prayer, helping us to understand, experience, and practice it in its many forms—from the simple prayer of beginning again to unceasing prayer. He clarifies the prayer process, answers common misconceptions, and shows the way into prayers of contemplation, healing, blessing, forgiveness, and rest. Coming to prayer is like coming home, Foster says. "Nothing feels more right, more like what we are created to be and to do. Yet at the same time we are confronted with great mysteries. Who hasn't struggled with the puzzle of unanswered prayer? Who hasn't wondered how a finite person can commune with the infinite Creator of the universe? Who hasn't questioned whether prayer isn't merely psychological manipulation after all? We do our best, of course, to answer these knotty questions but when all is said and done, there is a sense in which these mysteries remain unanswered and unanswerable . . . At such times we must learn to become comfortable with the mystery." Foster shows how prayer can move us inward into personal transformation, upward toward intimacy with God, and outward to minister to others. He leads us beyond questions to a deeper understanding and practice of prayer, bringing us closer to God, to ourselves, and to our community.

This commentary on 1 and 2 Kings demonstrates the continuing intellectual and practical viability of theological interpretation of the Bible for today's church. It is the second volume in the Brazos Theological Commentary on the Bible.

New edition to the popular Old Testament for Everyone series

Why do the books of Samuel pack such broad appeal? Taken together as a single narrative, they certainly offer something for everyone: kings and prophets, great battles and greater heroes, action and romance, loyalty and betrayal, the mundane and the miraculous. In Samuel, we meet Saul, David, Goliath, Jonathan, Bathsheba, the witch of Endor, and other unforgettable characters. And we encounter ourselves. For while the culture and conditions of Israel under its first kings is vastly different from our own, the basic issues of humans in relation to God, the Great King, have not changed. Sin, repentance, forgiveness, adversity, prayer, faith, and the promises of God—these continue to play out in our lives today. Exploring the links between the Bible and our own times, Bill T. Arnold shares perspectives on 1 and 2 Samuel that reveal ageless truths for our twenty-first-century lives. Most Bible commentaries take us on a one-way trip from our world to the world of the Bible. But they leave us there, assuming that we can somehow make the return journey on our own. They focus on the original meaning of the passage but don't discuss its contemporary application. The information they offer is valuable—but the job is only half done! The NIV Application Commentary Series helps bring both halves of the interpretive task together. This unique, award-winning series shows readers how to bring an ancient message into our postmodern context. It explains not only what the Bible meant but also how it speaks powerfully today.

Prayer - 10th Anniversary Edition

Journey Through Ezra & Nehemiah

An Introduction and Commentary

Ezra and Nehemiah

Inspirational Study Bible

Rediscover God's Presence When life is a shambles, we wonder what went wrong and long to see things put right. And often we long for the sense of God's presence to return to our lives. The city of Jerusalem was a shambles—both its walls and its worship were crumbling. Ezra and Nehemiah longed to see their city restored with God's presence, and each one pursued that goal in his own God-given way. Ezra the scholar restored Israel's worship. Nehemiah the architect resurrected Jerusalem's walls. Together, they helped God's people rediscover God's presence, and their stories will help you, too. LifeChange Bible studies will help you grow in Christlikeness through a life-changing encounter with God's Word. Filled with a wealth of ideas for going deeper so you can return to this study again and again. Features Cover the books of Ezra & Nehemiah in 8 lessons Equip yourself to lead a Bible study Imagine the Bible's historical world Study word origins and definitions Explore thoughtful questions on key themes Go deeper with optional projects Add your notes with extra space and wide margins Find the flexibility to fit the time you have

This commentary on Ezra & Nehemiah provides guidance to pastors and academics in reading the Bible under the rule of faith.

The books of Ezra and Nehemiah tell a vital story of a community revived and restored by God's grace through gifted individuals preparing the way for the coming Messiah. In his practical and devotional expository commentary, pastor-theologian Derek W. H. Thomas shows what this gripping narrative can teach us about kingdom life in our own time. In their different ways, Ezra and Nehemiah both prioritized the Word of God and the practice of prayer. If the church of our day is to recover and be renewed, Thomas argues, these commitments are just as vital for us as well.

Today's best-selling study Bible—the Life Application Study Bible—has been updated and expanded. Over 300 new Life Application notes, nearly 350 note revisions, 16 new personality profiles, updated charts, and a Christian Worker's Resource make today's number one selling study Bible even better. FEATURES: Over 300 new Life Application notes and significant revisions to nearly 350 others 16 new Personality Profiles Most charts revised to clarify meaning and importance, plus eight all-new charts New information on the intertestamental period Christian Worker's Resource, a special supplement to enhance the reader's ministry effectiveness, includes: How to Become a Believer, How to Follow Up with a New Believer, Mining the Treasures of the Life Application Study Bible, So You've Been Asked to Speak, and Taking the Step to Application

Theology and Mission in Ezra-Nehemiah

The Good Hand of Our God is Upon Us

Life Lessons from Ezra and Nehemiah

The Post-Exilic Books of Ezra, Nehemiah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi

1 and 2 Samuel

"An eleven-lesson Bible study of the Old Testament Books of Ezra and Nehemiah"--

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Edited by David Platt, Daniel L. Akin, and Tony Merida, this new commentary series, projected to be 48 volumes, takes a Christ-centered approach to expositing each book of the Bible. Rather than a verse-by-verse approach, the authors have crafted chapters that explain and apply key passages in their assigned Bible books. Readers will learn to see Christ in all aspects of Scripture, and they will be encouraged by the devotional nature of each exposition. Exalting Jesus in Ezra-Nehemiah is written by Jim Hamilton.

Trusted and treasured by millions of readers over 30 years, the Life Application Study Bible, Third Edition is today's #1-bestselling study Bible. Perhaps the most complete single-volume Bible ever compiled, this study Bible helps readers of all ages understand the language of the Bible and gives advice on how to apply its teachings to the ups and downs of everyday life. It has been thoroughly updated and expanded, offering even more relevant insights. With a fresh, two-color interior design and updated study notes and features, this Bible will help you understand God's Word better than ever. It answers the real-life questions that you have and provides you with practical yet powerful ways to apply the Bible to your everyday life. This edition includes the full text of the revered King James Version of the Bible. The words of Jesus are in red. Features: Now more than 10,000 notes and features Over 100 Life Application profiles of key Bible people Refreshed design with a second color for visual clarity Introductions and overviews for each book of the Bible More than 500 maps & charts placed for quick reference Dictionary/concordance 16 pages of full-color maps Christian Worker's Resource

Life-Study of Acts

Life-Study of 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther

Ezra / Nehemiah / Esther

Hand Me Another Brick

Ezra-Nehemiah

The NIV Application Commentary helps you communicate and apply biblical text effectively in today's context Ezra-Nehemiah chronicles the return of the exiles to Jerusalem during the Persian Period. Empowered by the Persian authorities, Ezra and Nehemiah came on the scene in Jerusalem to restore the worship of the "God of Heaven" and the sanctity of Zion and His people. God's sovereignty over temporal powers, confession of sin and repentance, and worship according to Yahweh's holiness undergird the account. In the face of tremendous odds, opposition and betrayal, both Ezra and Nehemiah displayed selflessness and devotion by following their calling and trusting God's plan. In the commentary, Donna and Thomas Petter lead us through this narrative of restoration and help us discover how to apply Scripture to our lives today. To bring the ancient messages of the Bible into today's context, each passage is treated in three sections: Original Meaning. Concise exegesis to help readers understand the original meaning of the biblical text in its historical, literary, and cultural context. Bridging Contexts. A bridge between the world of the Bible and the world of today, built by discerning what is timeless in the timely pages of the Bible. Contemporary Significance. This section identifies comparable situations to those faced in the Bible and explores relevant application of the biblical messages. The author alerts the readers of problems they may encounter when seeking to apply the passage and helps them think through the issues involved.

While they document the historical fulfilment of God's promise that Israel will return home after 70 years of captivity in Babylon, the books of Ezra and Nehemiah offer relevant lessons for us today. We learn about the priority of worship, the centrality of God's Word, and the necessity of witnessing to the world by obeying God. Journey through Ezra-Nehemiah to discover how we can be holy and separate from the sinful world while still being effective witnesses to it. The Journey Through series provides assistance to those who desire to spend time with God in His Word, book by book. The biblical insights will help Christians discover the precious, life-transforming wisdom of the Bible, inspiring them towards a closer walk with God. Perfect for personal devotions.

This 13-lesson study guide contains the full NIV text of Ezra and Nehemiah, application notes from the Life Application Bible, maps, charts, Bible character profiles, and Bible study questions with generous space for writing responses.

THE NEW AMERICAN COMMENTARY is for the minister or Bible student who wants to understand and expound the Scriptures. Notable features include:* commentary based on THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION;* the NIV text printed in the body of the commentary;* sound scholarly methodology that

reflects capable research in the original languages;* interpretation that emphasizes the theological unity of each book and of Scripture as a whole;* readable and applicable exposition.

Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther

Holman Old Testament Commentary - Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther

Ezra & Nehemiah

Israel Returns from Exile

Life Application Study Bible

Do others look to you for leadership? Do you face a major task or shoulder heavy responsibilities? Do you want to take your leadership skills to a higher level? When Nehemiah confronted the task of rebuilding Jerusalem's wall, he was heartbroken by the damage he saw and nearly overwhelmed by the task that lay before him. Yet through the application of timeless leadership principles, Nehemiah completed this nearly impossible project, and laid a pattern for success which is just as valid for us today. Charles Swindoll brings his sensible and straightforward style to offer a deeply spiritual approach to the role of leader. Whatever the context, secular or ministerial, he demonstrates how to size up a task, organize and motivate a team, and respond to inevitable obstacles such as these: Unforeseen setbacks Unrelenting deadlines Criticism and outside resistance Personality conflicts Financial pressures and temptations The insights that Swindoll draws from Nehemiah's wise administration will change your approach to leadership forever.

The books of Ezra and Nehemiah represent a significant turning point in biblical history. They tell the story not only of the temple in Jerusalem being rebuilt but also of God resurrecting his people from the death of exile. Hannah Harrington thus begins her commentary with an evocative description of these books as "the story of a new Israel forged out of the old" and "the text of a people clinging to their genealogical past and attempting to preserve their heritage while walking forward into uncharted territory." Throughout this commentary, Harrington combines analytical research on the language and culture behind the books of Ezra and Nehemiah with challenging thoughts for the Christian church today, bringing to bear a unique perspective on these books not as the end of Old Testament history but as some of the earliest Jewish books written during the Second Temple period. Accordingly, Harrington incorporates a wealth of information from other Jewish literature from this time period to freshly illuminate many of the topics and issues at hand while focusing on the interpretation and use of these books for Christian life today.

This exciting study explores the lives of ordinary men and women who faced overwhelming situations and won. Readers go directly to God's Word to learn the precepts that will help them conquer fear and discouragement.

Arranged as a series of sermons, the book of Deuteronomy represents the final major segment of the biography of Moses. The sermons review events described in earlier books and challenges Israel to faithful living in the future. The theological significance of Deuteronomy cannot be overestimated. Few books in the Bible proclaim such a relevant word of grace and gospel to the church today. At its heart, Deuteronomy records the covenantal relationship between God and his people. God graciously has chosen Israel as his covenant partner and has demonstrated his covenantal commitment to them. Moses challenges the Israelites to respond by declaring that Yahweh alone is their God and by demonstrating unwavering loyalty and total love for him through obedience. Daniel Block highlights the unity between the God depicted in Deuteronomy and Jesus Christ. Christians who understand the covenantal character of God and who live under the grace of Christ will resist the temptation to retreat into interior and subjective understandings of the life of faith so common in Western Christianity.

Rebuilding What's Ruined, Study Guide with Leader's Notes

Deuteronomy

Rebuild and Renew

KJV Life Application Study Bible, Third Edition (Red Letter, Hardcover, Indexed)

Lessons in Leadership

In the Lord's recovery during the past five hundred years the church's knowledge of the Lord and His truth has been continually progressing. This monumental and classical work by Brother Witness Lee builds upon and is a further development of all that the Lord has revealed to His church in the past centuries. It is filled with the revelation concerning the processed Triune God, the living Christ, the life-giving Spirit, the experience of life, and the definition and practice of the church. In this set Brother Lee has kept three basic principles that should rule and govern every believer in their interpretation, development, and expounding of the truths contained in the Scriptures. The first principle is that of the Triune God dispensing Himself into His chosen and redeemed people; the second principle is that we should interpret, develop, and expound the truths contained in the Bible with Christ for the church; and the third governing principle is Christ, the Spirit, life, and the church. No other study or exposition of the New Testament conveys the life nourishment or ushers the reader into the divine revelation of God's holy Word according to His New Testament economy as this one does.

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The Teach the Text Commentary Series utilizes the best of biblical scholarship to provide the information a pastor needs to communicate the text effectively. The carefully selected preaching units and focused commentary allow pastors to quickly grasp the big idea and key themes of each passage of Scripture. Each unit of the commentary includes the big idea and key themes of

the passage and sections dedicated to understanding, teaching, and illustrating the text.

"Ezra and Nehemiah address issues that make the front pages of our newspapers - and they speak to the yearnings of our hearts". This is why the author of this volume, Dr. Mark Roberts enthusiastically encourages Christian communicators to explore these somewhat obscure Old Testament texts. For much the same reason the author believes modern pastors and Bible students can benefit from careful study in the often-maligned book of Esther. He emphasizes the book's contemporary relevance, stating, "Esther encourages us to grapple with pressing moral issues in light of God's wisdom". As a pastor with a passion for communicating God's truths to young people and to the unchurched in our world, Dr. Roberts shares his personal success in using the books of Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther to address contemporary needs. Not only is this commentary well-written and carefully researched, but, as an added plus, Dr. Roberts' deep faith and his dynamic relationship with Christ shine through every page. As Dr. Lloyd Ogilvie says in the editor's preface, the author of this fine volume "is vulnerable, open and honest about how the Scriptures he explains have impacted his own life". Marked by the excellence you have come to expect in the Communicator's Commentary series, this latest volume wrestles with difficult questions, such as the rightful place of Esther in the canon and the puzzling roles of Sheshbazzar and Zerubbabel; provides a wide range of quotations and anecdotes from modern and classical sources to help us communicate God's message today; and offers balance of exegetical, historical, and literary analysis along with penetrating applications of the truths reflected in these texts. "As communicators", Dr. Ogilvie says, "we all long for those magnificent moments in our preparation when we are gripped with an inspired insight into a passage of Scripture that prompts us to exclaim, 'that will preach!' We are filled with excitement and enthusiasm to share what we've discovered. This is exactly what will happen as you study this commentary. It is power-packed and brimming over with new insight into familiar passages".

A 12-Week Study

Life lessons

1 & 2 Kings

New Living Translation

Now and Not Yet

The three prophets - Joel, Nahum, and Malachi - speak to the challenges of their own day. Joel, following a locust plague, confronts the people of a bigger impending catastrophe that they could avoid if they return to God with prayers. As such, amid pain, he offers hope. Nahum depicts the wrath of God against an oppressive country. Although God is slow to anger, he will pursue his justice against oppressors. This instills faith in troubled times as God is, forever, the refuge to his people. Malachi calls the people to honor the unchanging God who continues to care for them, even if they have fallen short in many ways. To honor God means knowing and walking with him in words and in deeds. Serving him is a great privilege. He will refine those who are serving him with his divine unwavering love. The Asia Bible Commentary Series empowers Christian believers in Asia to read the Bible from within their respective contexts. Holistic in its approach to the text, each exposition of the biblical books combines exegesis and application. The ultimate goal is to strengthen the Body of Christ in Asia by providing pastoral and contextual exposition of every book of the Bible. Exalting Jesus in Ezra-Nehemiah