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Subject Specific

ATLA - American Theological Library Association (available from the Library’s Databases page)
This database is produced by the American Theological Library Association's Center for Electronic Resources in Theology and Religion for religion. It provides online versions of the entire runs of a core collection of more than fifty significant scholarly periodicals in the field of religion, most of which go back to 1949. Journals represent a wide selection of Christian traditions (including Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant, Evangelical, and Pentecostal), Islam, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, Shinto, Taoism, Confucianism, and other religious traditions.

ATLA Historical Monographs, Series 1 and 2 (available from the Library’s Databases page)
Series 1 is comprised of more than 15,000 titles from 13th Century through the 1893 World Parliament of Religions, including many volumes in Aramaic, Arabic, Greek, Hebrew and other languages besides English. Series 2 consists of nearly 15,000 titles published from 1894 through 1923. It presents a comprehensive picture of religion in America at the turn of the century. Subjects addressed include the conflict between religion and science, the growing interest in Eastern religions and other world religions, and significant shifts in the religious identification of Americans.

Catholic Periodical & Literature Index (Ref Row 2)
Ref. Al 3 .C31 1930 - present
Subject and author/editor index to over 170 currently significant Catholic periodicals of permanent value as determined by the Catholic Library Association. There are separate indexes for book titles and book reviews. Published quarterly with an annual cumulative volume. (Formerly: The Catholic Periodical Index)

Index to Book Reviews in Religion (Ref Row 3)
Continuation of the Book Review Index that appeared as the last section of the Religion Index One: Periodicals from its inception through 1985. Provides access by author/editor, title, series and reviewer name to book reviews, review essays, and review articles published in more than 500 periodicals of interest to the field of religion.

JSTOR (available from the Library’s Databases page)
Interdisciplinary, searchable, full-text archive of almost 1,000 academic journals covering the humanities, social sciences, and life sciences. Journals are always included from volume 1, issue 1 and include previous and related titles. The most recently published issues (past 3-5 years) are not available. However, users can search this material and link to the publisher’s site or other online source for access. New content is added on a regular basis as it is made available by the publisher. Advanced search options include author name, title, abstract, and caption for photographs and other images.
Project MUSE (available from the Library’s Databases page)
A collaborative project between the Johns Hopkins University Press and the Milton S. Eisenhower Library at JHU providing fulltext access to over 400 journals from university presses, not-for-profit publishers and scholarly societies. This database covers all areas of the social sciences and humanities.

New Testament Abstracts (Ref Row 3)
Ref. BS 410.N35 1956 – present
Edited by the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry with the Catholic Biblical Association, this resource covers the New Testament and its historical milieu, abstracting over 2,100 articles from over 500 periodicals in numerous languages, and summarizing over 800 books annually. Coverage includes textual criticism, interpretation, theology, linguistics and philology, translation and archaeology. Abstracts are in English regardless of the language of the original publication.

Old Testament Abstracts (Ref Row 3)
Ref. BS 410.O42 1978 – present
Product of a partnership between the American Theological Library Association and the Catholic Biblical Association, this resource indexes and abstracts primarily journal articles and books related to Old Testament studies including the history and geography of the ancient Near East, literary forms, techniques, and methods of study, archaeology, philology, theology, and more. Over 450 journals in a variety of languages are covered. Abstracts are in English regardless of the language of the original publication.

ProQuest (Education, Religion) (via NC LIVE; available from the Library’s Databases page)
This database includes over 135 titles, with more than 120 available in full text, designed to meet the needs of both religious studies programs and general library collections. An excellent source of religious news and information, the database provides details on doctrines and philosophies, reports on religious history, and related archeology. ProQuest Religion also covers formal theological studies and commentary on topics of general interest from the perspectives of specific religions. Primary faiths represented in the database are Christianity, Islam, Judaism, and Buddhism. (NOTE: Change “Multiple Databases” to “Humanities – ProQuest Religion” from the database selection menu on the ProQuest search page.)

Religion Index One: Periodicals (Ref Row 3)
Published by the American Theological Library Association (ATLA), this resource provides access to citations to journal articles from over 400 serials in the areas of theology and religion with a primary focus on western religion. Access is by subject, author/editor, and scripture passage. (Formerly: Index to Religious Periodical Literature, 1949 – 1977)

Related Areas
Philosopher’s Index (Ref Row 2)
Ref. Z 7127.P47 1967- present
A subject and author index with abstracts for philosophy books and journals in English, French, German, Spanish, and Italian along with selected books and journals in other languages and interdisciplinary publications, covering current and historical philosophy. Book reviews are indexed separately in each volume.

Essay & General Literature Index (Ref Row 1)
Ref. AI 3.E752 1900-1998
Author and subject index to essays published in collections, particularly in the humanities and social sciences
Humanities Index (Ref Rows 1 – 2)
A cumulative index to English language periodicals covering archaeology and classical studies, area studies, folklore, history, language and literature, performing arts, philosophy, religion and theology, and related subjects. Citations to book reviews are also included in a separate listing

SpringerLink (available from the Library’s Databases page)
Database of selected full-text journals in a variety of subject areas including humanities, social sciences and law, and behavioral science. (NOTE: Full-text access to reference materials and e-books is NOT available. Full-text access to the most recent 3 – 6 months of journals may also be restricted.)

Internet Resources

Roman Catholicism
See also: Catholic Resources on the Internet – Ref. BX 842.5 .R38x 2000
- Catholic Answers – www.catholic.com
- Catholic Files – listserv.american.edu/catholic
- Catholic Information Center – www.catholic.net
- Catholic Information Network – www.cin.org
- Catholic News Service – www.catholicnews.com
- Catholic Online – www.catholic.org
- Catholic Online Search Engine – community.catholic.org
- Catholic Web Directory – www.saintfrancis.net/links.htm
- Vatican Web Site – www.vatican.va

Other World Religions
- Association of Religion Data Archives – www.thearda.com/
- Directory of Religious Centers – pluralism.org/directory/search.php
- English Religious Resources – etext.lib.virginia.edu/relig/browse.html
- Harvard Pluralism Project – pluralism.org/index.php
- Introduction to Islam – www.mideasti.org/library/intro-to-islam
- Islam & Islam Studies – www.uga.edu/islam
- Islamic Countries, Statistics – www.sesrctic.org
- Orthodox Church in America – www.oca.org
- RAMBI: Index Articles on Jewish Studies – inul.hjui.ac.il/eng - Quick Links
- Religious Movements – religiousmovements.lib.virginia.edu/home.html
- World Council of Churches – www.wcc-coe.org

Miscellaneous Theology & Religion Resources
- Blue Letter Bible - www.blueletterbible.org/
- Christian Classics Ethereal Library – ccel.org
- Episcopal Conferences: Historical, Canonical, & Theological Studies – woodstock.georgetown.edu/church_studies/reese/ec/
- Internet Sacred Text Archive - www.sacred-texts.com/
- Resource Pages for Biblical Studies – www.torrey.org/bible
- Summa Theologica – www.newadvent.org/summa
- Theological Resources on the Web - woodstock.georgetown.edu/links/links_theology.htm
### Print Resources

#### Encyclopedias – Catholic
  (Also available online at [http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/](http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/))
- Corpus Christi: An Encyclopedia of the Eucharist - Ref. BV 825.2.O726x 1988
- Encyclopedia of Catholicism (Facts on File Library of Religion and Mythology)
  (Available via NetLibrary from the Library’s Databases page.)
- Our Sunday Visitor’s Encyclopaedia of Catholic History – Ref. BX 945 .2B86x
- Encyclopedia of Theology: The Concise Sacramentum Mundi - Ref. BR 95.E48
- New Catholic Encyclopedia Jubilee Volume, the Wojtyla Years – Ref. BX 841.N44 2001
  (Available via Gale Virtual Reference Library from the Library’s Databases page.)
  (Available via Gale Virtual Reference Library from the Library’s Databases page.)
- Our Sunday Visitor’s Encyclopaedia of Catholic Doctrine - Ref. BX 1745.5.O87 1997
- Oxford Encyclopedia of the Christian Church
  (Available from the Library’s Databases page.)
- Sacramentum Mundi: An Encyclopedia of Theology - Ref. BR 95.S2x, 6 vols.
- Theotokos: A Theological Encyclopedia of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Ref. BT 599.O2x 1986

#### Encyclopedias – Subject
- Encyclopedia of Christianity – Ref. BR 95 .E47 2005
- Encyclopedia of Early Christianity – Ref. BR 162.2 .E53 1990
- Encyclopedia of Hinduism (Facts on File Library of Religion and Mythology)
  (Available via NetLibrary from the Library’s Databases page.)
  (Available via Gale Virtual Reference Library from the Library’s Databases page.)
- Encyclopedia of Judaism (Facts On File Library of Religion and Mythology)
  (Available via NetLibrary from the Library’s Databases page.)
  (Available via Gale Virtual Reference Library from the Library’s Databases page.)

Dictionaries, Directories & Handbooks
• Complete Bible Handbook – Ref. BS 475 .A.B62 1998
• Dictionary of Biblical Theology - Ref. BS 543 .A.L43(2nd copy in Main Stacks)
• Dictionary of Dogmatic Theology – Ref. BR 95 .P3(2nd copy in Main Stacks)
• Dictionary of Proper Names & Places in the Bible – Ref. BS 435 .O3313
• Dictionary of the Eastern Orthodox Church – Ref. BX 230 .L3
• Dictionary of the Ecumenical Movement – Ref. BX 8.2 .D53x 1991
• Handbook of Biblical Criticism – Ref. BS 511.2.S68 1981
• New Dictionary of Catholic Spirituality – Ref. BX 2350.65 .N49 1993
(Also available on CDROM: BAC MAIN AV – CDROM 58)
• New Dictionary of Theology – Ref. BR 95 .N38 1991
(Also available on CDROM: BAC MAIN AV – CDROM 58)
• Official Catholic Directory – BX 845 .C5 (Latest issue in Ready Ref.- the previous 3 years in Main Ref)
(Also available via NetLibrary from the Library’s Databases page.)
• Theological Dictionary – Ref. BR 95 .R313

Atlases
• Atlas of the Bible – Ref. BS 620 .G752 1956 (Located at Atlas Stand 1)
• Historical Atlas of the Religions of the World – Ref. BL 80.2 .F28 (Located on shelf)
• Oxford Bible Atlas – BS 620 .M35 1974 (Located on Shelf)
• Westminster Historical Atlas to the Bible – Ref. BS 630 .W7 1956 (Located on shelf)

Commentaries
• Anchor Bible: a new translation with introduction and commentary – Ref. BS 192.2 .A1 1946, 44 vols. (After doing a “Title” search when it says ‘No matching records found” click “All Words” to display results)
• Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture: New Testament – Ref. BS 490. A52x
• Collegeville Bible Commentary – Ref. BS 491.2 .C66 1989
(Also available on CDROM: BAC MAIN AV – CDROM 58)
• Commentary on the Catechism of the Catholic Church – Ref. BX 1959.5.C657 1994
• Interpreter’s Bible – Ref. BS 491.2 .I55, 12 vols.
• Jerome Biblical Commentary – Ref. BS 491.2 .B7
• New Jerome Biblical Commentary – Ref. BS 491.2 .N485 1990
• Peake’s Commentary on the Bible – Ref. BS 491.B57

Concordances
• Analytical Concordance to the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament
  Ref. BS 2305 .M67
• Complete Concordance to the Bible – Ref. BS 425 .T45 1945
• Concordance to the Apocrypha/Deuterocanonical Books of the Revised
  Standard Version – Ref. BS 1700 .C66
• Concordance to the Septuagint & the Other Greek Versions of the Old Testament
• Concordance to the Greek Testament - Ref. BS 2302 .M8 1963
• Greek-English Analytical Concordance of the Greek-English New Testament
  Ref. BS 2302 .S7
• Living Bible Concordance – Ref. BS 425 .S67
• Nelson’s Complete Concordance of the New American Bible – Ref. BS 425 .H27
• New American Standard Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible –
  Ref. BS 425 .N385

Other Reference Sources
• Church History: An Introduction to Research, Reference Works, & Methods
  Ref. BR 138 .B69 1995
• Geography of the Bible – Ref. BS 630 .B34 1974
• Gospel Parallels: A Synopsis of the First Three Gospels – Ref. BS 2560.15 1979
• Illustrated Dictionary of Bible Manners & Customs – Ref. BS 622 .D413
• Illustrated World’s Religions – Ref. BL 80.2 .S6455 1994
• Oxford Companion to the Bible – Ref. BS 440 .M434 1993
• Oxford Illustrated History of Christianity – Ref. BR 145.2 .O86 1990
• Roget’s Thesaurus of the Bible – Ref. BS 432 .D34 1992
• Subject Guide to Bible Stories – Ref. BS 432 .G258 1969
• Who’s Who in the Old Testament - Ref. BS 570 .C64
• World of the Bible – Ref. BS 475.2 .W4713 1986
• World of the Old Testament – Ref. BS 1140.2 .O93 1989

Other Resources – Catholic
• The lives of the Saints- Ref. BX 4654 .B8x 1926a, 12 vols.
• Catechism of the Catholic Church – Ready Ref. BX1959.3.E5 C38x 2000
  (1993 ed. available online at http://www.vatican.va/archive/ccc/index.htm.)
• Catholic Almanac – Ref. AY 81 .R6 N3 1941- (current copy in Ready Ref.)
• Catholic Fact Book – Ref. BX 842 .D44 1986
• Commentary on the Catechism of the Catholic Church – Ref. BX 1959.5 .C657, 1994
• Companion to the Summa – Ref. BX 1749 .T6 F3x 1951, 4 vols.
• Fathers of the Eastern Church – Ref. BR 1706 .P39x 1989
• Fathers of the Western Church – Ref. BR 1700 .P3x 1989
• Liberation Theology: A Documentary History – Ref. BT 83.57 .L487 1990
• Masterpieces of Catholic Literature in Summary Form – Ref. BX 885 .M2
• Pursuit of a Just Social Order – Ref. BX 1753 .B44 1982
• Teaching of the Catholic Church – Ref. BX 1747.5 .N413

Foreign Language Resources
• Lexikon für Theologie und Kirche – Ref. BR 95 .L48, 10 vols. + 3 supplements & 1 Register
• Lexicon Graecum Novi Testamenti – Ref. BS 2312 .G7 Z6x 1931
• Veteris Testamenti Concordantiae Hebraicae Atque Chaldaicae

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