Several students have asked the New Testament Professors for the best available literature for interpreting the New Testament. This bibliography gives a selection of titles that we regard as excellent in a number of different categories and for each New Testament book. The list could be much longer. We have also marked with an asterisk the two or three texts for each category or book that we think that should be the top priorities for acquisition for your own libraries. This means that we think the volume in question has truly valuable things to say, but not necessarily that we agree with all of its contents. Some items are listed because they represent excellently a position we do not hold.

In preparing this bibliography we have made use of the excellent exegesis bibliography produced by the New Testament Faculty at Denver Seminary that is available on Denver’s web-site (Copyright © August 2007 William W. Klein, Craig L. Blomberg, and Susan M. Hecht) and we are very grateful for the work they have done. Inevitably, however, their judgments are not always the same as our own and although their bibliography and ours overlap to some degree, all the recommendations made in this bibliography are our responsibility.

–Stephen Chester, Max Lee, Klyne Snodgrass

1. Textual Criticism


2. Grammar


3. Introduction


There is one New Testament web-site that is undoubtedly the best general site available. It is the New Testament Gateway site (www.ntgateway.com). It will provide you with many links to other sites dealing with particular aspects of the New Testament.

4. Lexical Analysis


*Thesaurus Linguae Graecae* (TLG for short) is a comprehensive database of ancient Greek Literature. It was originally produced in CD format (the last updated disk was 2000) but is now available online to subscribing institutions and individuals and is updated regularly. The Brandel Library does not subscribe (www.tlg.uci.edu). Diogenes is a free software program for browsing and searching TLG (www.dur.ac.uk/p.j.heslin/Software/Diogenes).

### 5. History and Historical Background


### 6. Introductions to Primary Sources


7. Primary Sources


Students should also be aware that the major works of Greek and Latin literature are available in the Loeb Classics Edition with the English text and the original text arranged on facing pages. Of particular relevance for New Testament Studies are the works of Flavius Josephus and those of Philo of Alexandria.


10. Dictionaries and Encyclopedias


*Jasper, D. A Short Introduction to Hermeneutics. Louisville: WJKP, 2004


**13. Jesus and the Gospels**


14. Paul


15. Major Commentaries

The following lists of top commentaries for each NT book are divided into three sections: the first contains those we consider the best detailed, critical commentaries; the second lists more mid-level works; and the third consists of briefer commentaries often with a special focus on application. Usually commentaries in the first category are on the Greek text and those in the second on the English text, but not always. Some heavyweight critical commentaries expound the English text but make extensive use of footnotes to engage with the Greek. At least one priority title is asterisked for each level. Abbreviations for series: AB = Anchor Bible; BECNT = Baker Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament; BNTC = Black’s New Testament Commentary; BST = Bible Speaks Today; EBC = Expositor’s Bible Commentary; ECC = Eerdman’s Critical Commentary; ICC = International Critical Commentary; Int = Interpretation; NAC = New American Commentary; NCB = New Century Bible; NCBC = New Cambridge Bible Commentary; NIBC = New International Biblical Commentary; NICNT = New International Commentary on the New Testament; NIGTC = New International Greek Testament Commentary; NIVAC = NIV Application Commentary; NTC = New Testament Commentary; NTL New Testament Library; NTR = New Testament Readings; PNTC = Pillar New Testament Commentary; SP = Sacra Pagina; THNTC = Two Horizons New Testament Commentary; TNTC = Tyndale New Testament Commentary; WBC = Word Biblical Commentary.

Matthew


**Mark**


**Luke**


**John**


**Acts**


**Romans**


**1 Corinthians**


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### 2 Corinthians


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### Galatians


**Ephesians**


**Philippians**


**Colossians and Philemon**


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**1 and 2 Thessalonians**


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**Pastorals**


*———*


**Hebrews**


**James**


**1 Peter**


**2 Peter and Jude**


**1, 2, 3 John**


**Revelation**


