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## BIBLE SOFTWARE

Comments and Recommendations by Pastor *Chris*

Have you ever tried to find a Bible verse and not been able to find it? In the *ole days* you had to use a concordance to find a verse. Today there are Bible programs that will allow you to do a search for a Bible verse or Topic in a few seconds that would have taken hours previously.

I have tried out many different versions and brands of online Bible software, but have generally found myself using two most of the time, **Libronix** and **Bibleworks**.

**Libronix** (formerly known as **Logos**) is a true Bible Study / Library software. Like all good Bible software, you can study different Bible versions. But you also have the ability to buy and integrate with your Logos library literally thousands of different Christian commentaries, dictionaries, and almost every thing else you might find helpful to your Bible study.

There are a three things that I believe make **Libronix** stand out above some of the other Bible Software packages:

1. Free Upgrades to the main software -- Every other Bible software requires the user to pay for upgrades. This helps to ensure that your e-books don't become outdated.
2. Depth and Amount of Possible resources -- There are thousands of books that can be added to your library. You don't have to buy a huge library of books at one time: you can add to your library each year!
3. Features -- **Libronix** is very innovative with new features and add-ins that can perform complicated research easily and quickly.

**Bibleworks** is for those who just want to study the Bible without using a lot of other texts like commentaries. Many people do not want to learn Biblical Greek or Hebrew. **Bibleworks** makes it easier for non-experts to develop an understanding of the Biblical languages (the *morphology* of the various words is already provided.) It also includes some good Lexicons (Greek and Hebrew dictionaries).

**Bibleworks** is very fast – typical searches of the whole Bible generally take only a second or two. If in-depth study of the Biblical Text is what you like, **Bibleworks** is great. The product is quite stable. I have never had it crash in the several years I have used it.

