

Works Consulted by Rev. Michael Wallace for 2018-2019 Westminster Sunday School Class:
Getting the Big Picture of the Bible

Bibles:

- *The Hebrew Bible: A Translation with Commentary* by Robert Alter
 - A phenomenal translation by Hebraist Robert Alter, this newly finished work is a must have!
- *The Jewish Annotated New Testament*
 - From several dozen Jewish scholars, JANT uses the NRSV as a base text and provides copious annotations, which touch upon history, Jewish traditions, intertextual relationships, and more. In the second edition, there are more than 200 pages of essays at the back, which delve into many, larger topics.
- *The Evolution of the Word*, by Marcus Borg
 - Using the NRSV as a base text and modern scholarship, Borg reorders the books of the New Testament chronologically, providing commentary for each book.

The Bible in Translation

- ***The Bible in Translation: Ancient and English Versions* by Bruce M. Metzger**
- *Targum and Testament Revisited: Aramaic Paraphrases of the Hebrew Bible: A Light on the New Testament* by Martin McNamara
- *Invitation to the Septuagint* by Karen H. Jobes

Textual Criticism

- *Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible* by Emanuel Tov
- *The Text of the New Testament: Its Transmission, Corruption, and Restoration* by Bruce M. Metzger

General:

- *30 Days to Understanding the Bible* by Max E. Anders
- *What is the Bible?* by Rob Bell
- *Ancient Apocryphal Gospels*, by Markus Bockmuehl
- *How to Read the Bible for all its Worth* by Gordon D. Fee and Douglas Stuart
- ***Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again* by Rachel Held Evans**
- *Scripture and Tradition: What the Bible Really Says* by Edith M. Humphrey
- ***The Canon of the New Testament: Its Origin, Development, and Significance* by Bruce M. Metzger**
- *Misreading Scripture with Western Eyes: Removing Cultural Blinders to Better Understand the Bible* by E. Randolph Richards
- *Sacred Word, Broken Word* by Kenton L. Sparks
- *Reading the Bible with the Dead: What You Can Learn from the History of Exegesis that You Can't Learn from Exegesis Alone* by John Lee Thompson

Gospels:

- *Jesus and the Gospels: An Introduction and Survey* by Craig L. Blomberg
- *Reading the Gospels Wisely: A Narrative and Theological Introduction* by Jonathan T. Pennington
- ***The Fourfold Gospel: A Theological Reading of the New Testament Portraits of Jesus* by Francis Watson**
- ***The Challenge of Jesus: Rediscovering Who Jesus Was and Is* by N.T. Wright**

Revelation:

- *The Theology of the Book of Revelation* by Richard Bauckham
- ***Reading Revelation Responsibly* by Michael J. Gorman**
- *Breaking the Code: Understanding the Book of Revelation* by Bruce M. Metzger