Recommended Logos Resources and Packages

Here is a list for getting starting with Logos Bible Software. The software packages are not inexpensive, but they come with a tremendous amount of excellent resources. However, to maximize your experience, you must also purchase a few additional resources. Not all resources are in a package, and some only come in the much more expensive Diamond, Platinum, and Portfolio collections which include a lot of material unneeded by most beginning and intermediate Bible students. If you upgrade later to packages which include resources you already purchased, Logos pricing takes that into account when quoting you the upgrade price.

It is always a good idea to discuss your basic purchase plan with someone at Logos. Their packages change over time, so this list of recommendations and packages has a short shelf life.

I have two categories. The first is for the non-professional Bible student. The second for the more advanced Bible student, Bible College or Seminary student. Remember, this is just my basic *getting started* list, just the initial purchases you should have before adding on other things.

The Advanced Student (professional, or Bible College or Seminary student) should have all of the recommended and suggested resources for the non-professional as well.

For guidance on setting up Logos Bible Software I recommend the two manuals produced by Morris Proctor and available from his website, <u>www.mproctor.com</u>. Morris has produced excellent manuals that provide step by step instructions for setting up Logos, along with excellent color screen shots of each step. These are very easy to follow and very thorough.

For the non-professional

Bronze is the most basic package I would recommend, because the Starter package is extremely limited. However Bronze does not include the *Bible Knowledge Commentary* which I strongly recommend adding to your purchase at this level.

Recommended Resources (resources I strongly recommend for basic personal Bible study)

AMG Bible Essentials package (this is better than Vine's or Mounces dictionaries). Package is \$99.95 I would contact AMG to see if you can purchase just the LOGOS version of the Old Testament and New Testament dictionaries, because the other items in the package aren't that important. But you might not get much of a price break. The Complete Word Study Dictionaries are much better than the more basic Vine's Dictionaries. They don't have all of the detail found in the more scholarly and technical Greek lexicons, but unless you know Greek and are a seminary student or pastor, this is an excellent purchase for Old Testament and New Testament word studies. Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words \$16.99 (not necessary if you get the AMG Bible Essentials.

Tom Constable's Expository Bible Study Notes

Suggested Resources (additional helpful resources, but not necessary if you are just beginning personal Bible Study)

Bible Knowledge Commentary (silver and above) \$49.95

Essential IVP Reference Collection \$190.00

J Dwight Pentecost Collection \$109.95

Chafer Systematic Theology (in Diamond) \$164.95

Dean and Ice, What the Bible Teaches About Spiritual Warfare.

For the Bible College or Seminary student or someone thinking about becoming a pastor.

Minimum Package Recommendation: Gold

Recommended Resources (More advanced)

BDAG/HALOT bundle \$274 BDAG Included in Platinum and higher; HALOT only in Portfolio

This is mandatory for anyone doing serious biblical word studies, Bible college students and up.

Liddell and Scott Greek-English Lexicon, available in Diamond and above, \$135 separately.

ISBE (International Standard Bible Encyclopedia)

Theological Journal Libraries

Journals are mandatory for anyone engaged in research at the seminary level, or any pastor. After 20 years of digitizing theological journals, it is now quite expensive to purchase them all at once. But these can be purchased through Logos.

Wallace, Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics, available from Galaxie.

Norm Geisler, Systematic Theology, 4 vols.

Nelson Bible Reference Bundle (over 200 vols) \$899.95

Chafer, Systematic Theology

Suggested

Abbott-Smith Manual Lexicon of the Greek New Testament

John F Walvoord Commentary and Theology Collection (<u>www.galaxie.com</u>)

Minor Prophets Exegetical Commentary series (<u>www.galaxie.com</u>)