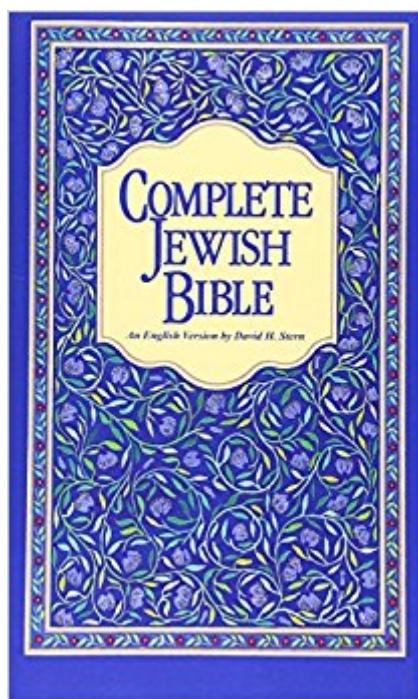


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# Complete Jewish Bible : An English Version Of The Tanakh (Old Testament) And B'Rit Hadashah (New Testament)



## **Synopsis**

Why is this Bible different from all other Bibles? Because it is the only English version fully Jewish in style and presentation. It includes Dr. Stern's new version of the "Tanakh" ("Old Testament") and his highly acclaimed "Jewish New Testament." The Complete Jewish Bible: - follows the Hebrew Bible order of the Tanakh's books, the order with which Yeshua (Jesus) was familiar - makes no separation between "Old" and "New" Testaments - corrects misinterpretations in the New Testament resulting from anti-Jewish theological bias - offers the original Hebrew names for people, places, and concepts, using easy-to-read English transliterations - focuses on Messianic prophecy - gives the traditional weekly and holiday synagogue readings, plus relevant readings from the "B'rit Hadashah" (New Testament) The Complete Jewish Bible: - reconnects Christians with their Jewish roots and the Jewish people - connects Jews with the Jewishness of Messiah Yeshua and Messianic faith Other features of this Bible: a comprehensive introduction, a pronouncing explanatory glossary, a reverse glossary, and special maps to aid Bible understanding.

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## **Customer Reviews**

The Complete Jewish Bible shows that the Word of God, from Genesis to Revelation, is a unified Jewish book, meant for everyone--Jew and non-Jew alike. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

David H. Stern, born in Los Angeles in 1935, is the great-grandson of two of the city's first twenty

Jews. He earned a Ph.D. in economics at Princeton University and was a professor at UCLA. In 1972 he came to faith in Yeshua the Messiah. He then received a Master of Divinity degree at Fuller Theological Seminary, did graduate work at the University of Judaism, and was active in the Messianic Jewish movement. In 1979 the Stern family made aliyah (immigrated to Israel); they now live in Jerusalem. Dr. Stern authored the "Messianic Jewish Manifesto". His highly acclaimed English translation, the "Jewish New Testament," restores the New Testament's Jewishness. His "Jewish New Testament Commentary" discusses the many Jewish issues found in the New Testament. His fresh translation, the "Complete Jewish Bible", expresses the unity of the Tanakh ("Old Testament") and the B'rit Hadashah ("New Testament"). This outstanding, scholarly work offers Bible readers a thorough, biblically Jewish version of God's word.

As a teenage "Catholic", I was looking into the protestant faith because I didn't understand why the Roman teachings influenced the Catholic Church so much. I recently discovered that I have some Jewish Roots as both of my grandparents on my mothers side(which died while I was young) were Jewish and my mom was a convert to Catholicism which I never knew. I set out to read more about being Jewish and whatnot and discovered that it is a beautiful religion and even started talking to my parents about attending a synagogue. I then contacted a Orthodox Jewish synagogue and they explained to me that I was already Jewish and that I would just have to be circumcised and whatnot else. I had a bad feeling about going to a service and on that same day as I was doing some research I came across Messianic Judaism. It combined my belief in Yeshua and in Atonai. I proceeded to read about how it came to be and what it was and I discovered that it was a beautiful religion and so I began to search for an appropriate "messianic" bible to compare to my parents Catholic Bible(NRSVÃ¢â€žâ¢CE). I bought this bible for that purpose and the translation is beautiful and I like how it includes Hebrew names instead of the translated English names. It has helped me a lot on my path. Thank you for taking the time to read this. Yeshua bless you.

UPDATED REVIEW/RATING:29 Aug 2017 - I've had this now for over 3 weeks, I am more and more disappointed with the Kindle version (understatement!). It can literally take at least a minute or more to find a specific verse of scripture. First you go to the "Contents" in the front (easy), then scroll over to the specific book you want, and tap it. That will take you to the very beginning of the book. In longer books with long chapters, you will literally be hand-scrolling, page by page, until you get to chapter and verse. That's just unacceptable for anyone wanting to use this as a reference. If all you want to do is read the author's outstanding information in the front, and then read the entire

Old and New Testaments (Christian terms), this will be just fine. But to cross reference anything in this Kindle edition is functionally impossible - the effort required is simply unacceptable. I had given it a "gift" of 4-stars (content itself is definitely a 5-star rating), but after considerably more use, I'm probably still overly generous in downgrading it to a 3-star product. I'm almost tempted to attempt a full refund of the Kindle edition, except that I still want to have it available on my phone or Kindle device when it's not convenient to carry around a hard copy. I will definitely (and grudgingly) pay twice and purchase the hard copy of the book just so I can adequately use it when I've at least got access to the printed copy.===== Original review follows =====DARN! I wanted to be able to give this a better review. Content-wise, I love it - totally a 5-star item, particularly for the price. The fact that this is a single-translator's work is already a built-in acknowledgement by the author, so anyone knocking it down because of that I think would be unfair. If they simply disagree and can support that disagreement with substantial portions of translation, or with some doctrinal issue or other, so be it. I'm simply saying that yes, it would be nice to have more than just David Stern's view of things, but I'll certainly defer to his expertise over mine any day - not even close. The content is extremely helpful, and perhaps some background could help explain this review. I happen to be one who grew up in a Protestant denomination, kept going by choice for several years into my early 20s, but by about age 22 I'd simply not been able to reconcile several very fundamental questions and finally decided there is a God (though I did not understand his character - I've just always known that deep within even as a small child), but that the Bible was mythology just like Greek, Roman, or Norse mythology, and Jesus Christ was a great teacher and bold man, but when he died, he died as any other man does - and that he was not the Son of God. I sought out a religion that resonated with me, and could find none for several years. Only after several years and both highly unexpected and very powerful personal events did I come to know that I had been largely wrong. Each of the above suppositions on my part, starting around age 22, had been wrong. But the neat thing was, the questions I had have all been answered in greater detail than I ever expected possible. And it's been building now for over 40 years. Then late last year we became acquainted with a Messianic Jewish couple, and have had some marvelous discussions. In the process, I've come to identify with them and understand how they are not - in the usual sense of the word - "Christian." Oh, of course they believe that Jesus Christ was in fact the Messiah, but the differences with traditional Christianity (Protestant and Catholic) are amazingly similar to my own, even with no Jewish background on my part. Am I ready to begin attending a nearby Messianic Jewish service each Saturday? No. The specific denomination I accept is entirely satisfactory for reasons not appropriate for a review. So I came to order this item as a direct result of some YouTube videos produced by a

Messianic Jewish Rabbi and his occasional reference to the "CJB." A little research finally explained what that was to which he was making passing reference. And I ordered it, to help better understand my own beliefs - and what a help it has already been in only a week! So why not a 5-star review (which my gut wants to give it)? Simple. Trying to navigate around in it to find "chapter and verse" completely eluded me for the first week. I JUST found out how (and it's not all that good) before completing this review. I finally found out how to find each of the books, but it's quite cumbersome having to scroll forward a page at a time to get to a specific verse. Chapter 47 verse 25 of some book? That's a heck of a lot of scrolling! I'd love it if someone could show me the "dumb" error of my ways, and provide an easier way, but for now, I'm stuck only being able to go to the first page of whatever book of scripture I choose to read or reference. To me, that's a major downfall, and my 4-star review is ONLY that high because of the exceptional explanatory and reference material prior to the actual scripture text. Trying to read this on my Android phone and do cross-referencing quickly is (so far) impossible with any kind of reasonable time. My KJV Bible? Piece of cake! This? Functionally useless for that purpose at least. It's a bit easier on the big desktop with a mouse, but still not easy. If the table of contents at least had chapter reference links under each of the book names, that would be far, far easier. For a study reference, I believe that's a major flaw.

I have enjoyed reading the introductory material, all of which is well itemized in the table of contents. But the kindle version of the bible is identical to the biblical scroll, it takes about an hour to find the passage you want. You can go to the book of Matthew easy enough, but to get to chapter 5 you have to press page forward and absurd number of times. The kindle book does not meet the minimum standards of other bibles available on kindle, all of which has a landing place at the beginning of each book that lets me select the chapter I am interested in. Whatever you paid for having this turned into an e-book, you paid too much and so did I.-----Edited February 18, 2015: I apologize for telling people not to buy the Kindle version, I was wrong to say it. Those words have been removed from the title, and I changed my review to be four stars instead of one. Another individual has long ago provided a link to a site that allows access by chapter and verse (and I left the original text as it was written). I did indeed buy a paper and ink version of this Bible and I have found it very helpful to compare the way that things are translated, as part of parallel studies of certain scriptures. \*\*\*\*\* I apologize to David H. Stern and Jewish New Testament Publications, and to whoever created the kindle version of this Bible. \*\*\*\*\* I am in your debt. I now understand that it is almost unthinkable to want to turn to a specific location by chapter and verse, from the traditional perspective, it just isn't done. If you do buy the kindle version of this Bible, be aware that you cannot

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