

Acts 15:15; Mt. 4:6-7; Mt. 22:29...31

- ALL facts (statements, commands, implications, actions - see Acts 15)
- Must HARMONIZE

How do go about gathering these facts?

I. Reference Bible**A. Different kinds - not all equal**

NASB, ASV teachers edition, Royal Ref., Thompson Chain, etc.

Get a *good* one! Valuable!

B. Chain/Central/Combination**1. Chain**

2 Sam. 7:12, "c" → **Ps 132.11**, "b" → **Ac 2:30**

2 Sam 7:13, "b" → **Isa 9:7**, "a" → **Lk 1:32,33**

[See **Reference Bible handout** for this next reference and the questions.]

2 Sam. 7:14, "a" → **Psa. 89:26,27**; **Heb. 1:5**; **Psa 89:26-27** → **Psa 2:7**; **1 Ch. 22:10**; **1 Ch. 22:10**, "a" → **1 Ch. 17:12**; **Heb 1:5** → **Ac. 13:33**; **Heb. 5:5**

What "son" was the immediate fulfillment of this promise? **Solomon** Reference: **1 Ch. 17:12; 22:10**

What "son" was the ultimate fulfillment of this promise? **Christ** Reference: **Ps. 2:7; Ac. 13:33; Heb. 1:5**

2. Central

Mt. 20:1, "a" → **Mt. 13:24**, "b" (note how many verses listed here on kingdom - 11)

Mt. 9:35, "a" → **Mt. 4:23** (note how many verses listed here on teaching - 10)

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2 Th 3:3, "b," "the evil one" → **Mt 5:37**, "a" (note how many verses on "evil" [or "evil one"] at Mt 5:37)

If you have the NASV or ASV, how many references on "the evil one" at **2 Th. 3:3**? one

How many at **Mt. 5:37**? NASB, eight (counting verses individually)

C. Footnotes

Pro. 5:19, "exhilarated" - marg. note "1", "Lit., *intoxicated*" (KJV, "ravished" - overwhelmed with emotion; NKJV, "enraptured" - carried away with emotion)

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KJV

Judges 11:31, "and" ²or I will offer it" - Gives alternative in Jephthah's vow: devote to Lord OR sacrifice as offering.

NKJV

Gen. 4:8, "brother" ⁴Samaritan, Pentateuch, Septuagint, Syriac, and Vulgate add '*Let us go out to the field.*'"

ASV

Mt. 16:18, "Peter...rock" Peter - "Fr. *Petros*" rock - "Gr. *petra*"

NASB

1 Co. 11:16, "other" "Lit., *such*"

D. "Helps"

Learn what you have

Use what you have

Danger

II. Concordances

"Concordance" - "2 an alphabetical list of the chief words used in a book or by a writer, with the passages in which they occur identified or cited" WNWD.

A. Uses

- Find a passage looking for
- Find passages on a subject
- Word study
- Other helps in...? (Depending on concor. used, e.g. Young's)
- Strong's - numbers key to using other reference works

B. In Bibles

- Brief
- Beware of definitions
- Useful for searching in the version being used

C. Cruden's, etc.

- Convenient size (cmpr. Strong's)
- Abbreviated

D. Young's

- Based on KJV
- Arrangement - References grouped by meaning
- Back section (Note difference between Heb. & Greek)
- Definitions - useful, but beware
- Italicized words in Bible not in original (so not in concordance)
- Read preface (Note e.g. what said about italics, brackets, phrases)
- "Bible Idioms" in front

E. Strong's

- Original based on KJV. Now available based on other versions.
- Arrangement - No grouping. Follows order in Bible.
- Remember - italicized words in Bible not in orig.
- Read preface.
- Numbering system
- Distinguish Hebrew and Greek
- Books keyed to Strong's
- Back (Again, note difference in Heb. & Grk)
- Read intro. to Hebrew & Greek Dict.
- Definitions and other notes
- Useful, but beware.

*** Beware of "Concordance lesson" in preaching, teaching

III. Others

A. Treasury of Scripture Knowledge**B. Topical Bibles (e.g. Naves, Thompson Chain)****C. Commentaries**

Intro info on a book (city, people, etc); Related passages on text studied

D. Bible Dictionaries, Encyclopedias, Customs, Figures of Speech

Background info - author, date, cities, people. Familiarize with customs. Shed light on idioms. (Talk about figures of speech in Lesson 5)

CONC

One of the greatest sources - *our own knowledge!* Thus - **READ!**

Ac 17:11