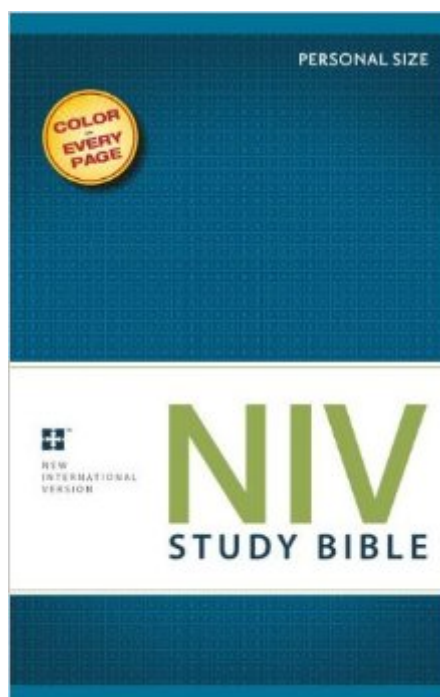


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This review is for the hardcover edition of the NIV Study Bible 2011 in book form (not Kindle). One thing to notice right from the start is that this new study Bible is called "NIV Study Bible" and not "Zondervan NIV Study Bible". Initially I was reluctant to purchase another updated NIV Study Bible (since I've had several improved versions already of the NIV Study Bible); However, when I opened this updated edition and began reading it, I recognized right away that there were significant improvements. A. The NIV text is revised -- this Study Bible uses the updated 2011 text rather than the 1984 NIV text. The main difference in the updated 2011 text is use of more gender inclusive language ("brothers and sisters" instead of brethren), and significant differences in translation than the 1984 NIV version. Here are some of the significant changes: 1) Psalm 23: 4: "Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil ..." (2011 version); the older version (1984) reads "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil." 2) In Genesis 1:6 the 1984 version says, "And God said, 'let there be an expanse between the waters to separate water from water'; in the 2011 version, Gen. 1:6 says, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." 3) Rom. 1:16: The 1984 version leaves out the conjunction "For" in the beginning: "I am not ashamed of the gospel .." The 2011 version correctly adds "For" in the beginning: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel.." 4) Rom.

I own many different study Bibles, from the Scofield, New Scofield, Thompson Chain Reference, Dake Bible, NIV Topical Study Bible and several Parallel Bibles. While I use them all, my favorite for study and for Scripture reading is the NIVSB. The language is easy to understand and the study notes are fairly comprehensive. The commentary hails from a conservative evangelical theology. Book binding quality: The binding is strong and is durable. I've carried this Bible around a lot, and it has held up with no sign of failure. Scripture Page layout: The Scriptures are laid out in the natural paragraph form, rather than the bullet form based on verse numbering. The Scriptures are laid out in two columns, with a column for Scripture cross-references in the middle. The bottom of each page contains commentary listed by corresponding verse. The words of Christ are in red, and contextual sections have headings that correspond to the outline at the beginning of each book. Introduction to Books: Each book of the Bible has a discussion of the author, audience and purpose, date and place of writing, characteristics, sources and a short outline of the book. Commentary: The notes deal with archaeological, historical, lexical (minimal lexical inputs) and cultural aspects that pertain to conservative hermeneutical exegesis. In disputables, they often do make definitive conclusions, but also at times give different views giving info on what the editors

believe is the most probable correct conclusion. It is impossible to put all information on a topic into a study Bible, but the NIVSB does a good job of packing a lot of information in for a significant level of understanding.

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