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My Methods

Q1: Why Do I use the xyz Bible translation?

A1: See my teaching [Choosing a Bible](#)

Q2: Linear vs. Topical Teaching

A2: People may ask “Why don’t you do expository teaching?” First of all, all Biblically-based teaching or preaching is expository. People may referring the method of taking a book of the Bible, and going through it verse by verse. I call this “linear” or “sequential” teaching, to be more clear. I sometimes use this method, although reading a good commentary set (e.g. [1]) would be helpful to people wanting linear teaching.

The other common teaching approach is “topical” teaching, where a particular topic or doctrine is taught. It is essential for Christians to learn biblical Christian doctrines, however the Bible is not organized like an encyclopedia. Proper exegesis requires studying everything the Bible has to say about a particular topic (see my teaching [How to Read Your Bible](#)).

Another reason for topical teaching, is that Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones’ sequential teaching of the Book of Romans took over a decade. People need to learn essential doctrines and waiting ten years leaves them at risk.

Good biblical teaching requires both linear and topical methods.

Q3: What Hardware/Software do you use?

A3: All of my writing is currently done on a 2021 16-inch MacBook Pro.

I use the “Olive Tree Bible Study” application for which I have over one dozen Bible translations available electronically, as well as other resources. See my teaching [Choosing a Bible](#) for my rational in choosing this application.

My writing is done with the \LaTeX 2e typesetting markup language. Developed in the 1980s by Leslie Lamport, \LaTeX has a steep learning curve. However, I have used since its development in the 1980s while in my previous life as a computer engineer, so I was already comfortable using it.

I also use a plethora of L^AT_EX package, so many thanks to the L^AT_EX community for creating these very useful open source tools.

I use the TeXShop application as the editor and previewer on my MacBook and highly recommend it—it truly makes writing a joy.

I have created some small custom programs written in Perl to generate scripture references and manage the uploading of .PDF files to my website.

Q4: Do I Use AI (Artificial Intelligence) in my writing?

A4: Yes and no. Since Apple introduced AI into MacOS circa January 2025, I use the AI feature to proof-read my writings, which sometimes offers better word choices or phrasing. However, I often find it wants to make too many changes, making the text less relevant to the Bible passage in question.

May God bless you, your family, and your friends.

Your brother in Christ,

Kevin

Appendix A—References & Further Reading

- [1] Hendriksen, William, and Kistemaker, Simon J.; *New Testament Commentary Series*; Baker Books; 1995. (Cited on page [1](#).)
- [2] Pawson, David; *Is John 3:16 the Gospel?*; True Potential Publishers; 2007. (Not cited.)