

iPreach

How to Access iPreach

- *From the Bridwell Library Home Page, Click on SMU Online Resources
- *Select "I" from the menu to the left.
- *Select IPreach

There are two menu options, located below the iPreach logo, Java and HTML. The Java menu is easier to use, but you can use the HTML menu if Java is not enabled on your computer.

Browse

- *Click on the plus sign next to the iPreach folder.
 - A plus sign will open a folder, and a minus sign will close it.
- *Click on the plus sign next to the folder you want.
- *Continue clicking on sub-folders until you reach the document.

Once you have opened the title you want, you can move through the document page by page using the navigation arrows.

Where to find it

- "Using iPreach"
 - Information about the database, and User's Guide
- "Biblical Reference"
 - Interpreters Dictionary of the Bible
- "Biblical Commentaries"
 - Interpreters and New Interpreters Bible
- "Christian Theology & History of Christian Thought"
 - Works of Wesley, the Abingdon Dictionary of Theology and the Westminster Dictionary of Theology
- "Bible Translations"
 - KJV, RSV, NIV, and NRSV English versions, a Hebrew version and a Greek version
- "New Items"
 - Some of the Abingdon Old Testament Commentaries

Basic Search

- *Enter your word or phrase in the search box.
 - Use quotation marks for a multi-word term.
- *Click Search.
- ~The search may run slowly.~
- *The results screen will display where the word or phrase is used.
- *Click on the title to go to the document.
- *Use the navigation bar to move around within the document.

Advanced Search

- *Click on the drop-down menu next to 'Choose search form'
- *Select Advanced Search.

Use the search boxes to search for several words, a choice of words, a phrase, or words in the same sentence. You can also exclude words from your search.

You can search a subset of the site, which limits which resources are searched.

- *Open the folder of the resources you would like to search. Next to each folder is a check box.
- *Check the box or boxes of the resources you would like to search.
- *Click Search.
- *Click on the title to go to the document.

Other search options

- *Phrase/Verse Search
Allows you to search for a specific phrase or passage of scripture
- *Lectionary Search
Lectionary resources
- *Boolean Search option,
We do not recommend this tool.

Advanced features

- *Document excerpts
Allows you to preview the articles in the search results
- *Find similar/not similar
Allows you to find similar articles or omit irrelevant articles from your search
- *Saved search
Allows you to search by preset parameters

For more help, contact your friendly Bridwell Library Reference Librarians.

Jane Elder
Reference Librarian
(214) 768-4046
jelder@smu.edu

Christine Willard
Reference & Digital Services Librarian
(214) 768-7379
cwillard@smu.edu

There are also online video tutorials available.

<http://smu.edu/bridwell/howto>