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The Jesus Bible, Genesis, NIV (book review)

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(2020). *The Jesus Bible journal, Genesis, NIV*. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan. 173 pp. \$. ISBN 9780310456216.

This journal-style version of *The Jesus Bible, NIV Edition*, divides the Scriptures into several volumes to allow for lined journaling space on every other page throughout. It is printed on heavy paper stock suitable for the journaling for which it is designed. Each volume includes the same articles found in the original *Jesus Bible* that cover major topics in each book, with more journaling space for personal insights and notes. The series comes from the Passion Movement and embodies the idea that Jesus is the main point of every book of the Bible. In *Genesis*, for instance, He is shown as our glorious Creator. Other features of this version include the single-column layout of the text and the Zondervan NIV Comfort Print typeface in 9.5-point print size. Volumes come separately priced or in boxed sets centering on specific areas of Scripture such as *The Prophets*, or *The Gospels and Acts*. *The Complete Bible* is approximately \$300 and individual volumes range in price from \$6 to \$10.

For personal or group Bible study, this series can provide a convenient way to record observations right alongside scripture. However, the journal space provided is somewhat limited and would not allow for large amounts of journaling as the small type places a large quantity of the scripture on each page with only one or lined page opposite of it. Short articles take up some of the lined space on many of the journaling pages. The pricing would also be a drawback for many if they are thinking of purchasing the entire Bible in this series.

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