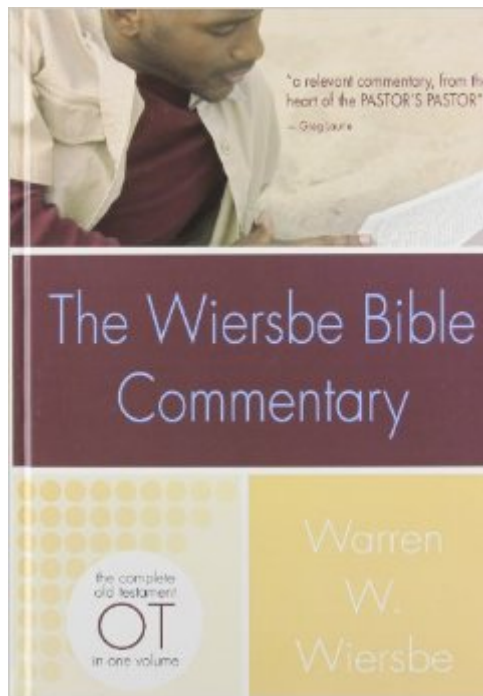


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# The Wiersbe Bible Commentary OT: The Complete Old Testament In One Volume (Wiersbe Bible Commentaries)



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## Customer Reviews

"The Wiersbe Bible Commentary: The Complete Old Testament" is all of Wiersbe's Old Testament "Be" commentaries collected together, word-for-word, in one edition. **WHAT'S THE SAME:** the commentary. Every word has been preserved, from Genesis through Malachi. **WHAT'S MISSING:** the "Be" themed titles ("Be Basic"; "Be Delivered"; etc.); the "Study Questions" that were at the end of each "Be" book. **WHAT'S NEW:** a 2-page introduction by Pastor Wiersbe. **CONS:** To fit all of these commentaries into one volume they had to shrink the type size way down to something like a 6-point font. The footnotes are especially tiny and I have to lean close to see what's on the page. That's not a big problem for me because I have pretty average vision, but if you rely on large-print,

you may as well skip this edition or else get a magnifying glass. Another potential problem is that the paper is so thin and the margins so tiny. I suppose they had to be so all of these wonderful books would fit into one volume. For example, Wiersbe's original commentary on Joshua, "Be Strong" is 168 pages, plus 12 pages of "Study Questions". Here they have squeezed the commentary text, word-for-word, onto 49 pages. They squeezed all of the books down into 1533 pages, each one thin as a razor's edge. This becomes a problem when you want to write notes in the margins. My pen bleeds through this extremely thin paper. Also, the margins are only about 1/4-inch-- not a lot of room to write. If you like to interact with a book, pen in hand, this edition probably isn't your best option.

**PROS:** This edition is an outstanding value. Each of Wiersbe's Old Testament "Be" commentaries costs between 8 and 10 dollars, so look at the price of this edition and do the math. It's a steal. The binding feels solid, and when I open it to a page it stays open instead of closing on me. And while I criticized the font size, I have no problems with the actual font. It's very readable. And the use of bold print is helpful for seeing the layout of the book. It's very well organized. Finally, Wiersbe's writing style is accessible and the conclusions he draws from the Biblical text have proven practical and helpful in my walk with the Lord. He's not quite as folksy and "down-to-earth" as J. Vernon McGee, but he has the same passion for putting God's Word out there for the common people who want to understand how God wants them to live.

**CONCLUSION:** I didn't have hundreds of dollars to spend on the original "Be" books, so I got this volume. While there are some drawbacks (tiny print size and margins, thin paper, no "Study Questions"), I'll treasure this edition and keep using it until I lose my eyesight.

I purchased this commentary twice, for my adult son and family and for myself. Warren Wiersbe adheres to the original meaning of the Scriptures, yet makes it understandable and applicable. We really like it and find it very helpful in planning Bible study lessons.

Although I would like to think of myself as a deep thinker, I am finding that simplicity and straightforward thinking is just as beneficial. This series by Weirsbe has delighted me. He mines the Scripture and then offers practical insights that are affecting me in profound ways. I find it so helpful to listen to voices from other generations to spur on my thoughts and devotion to the Lord. Weirsbe is a wise older brother who I am thankful to fellowship with through his writings.

Commentaries are absolutely essential for the serious bible student longing to hear and be transformed by God's beautiful voice. Pastor Wiersbe's commentary is outstanding.

Excellent commentary on the Old Testament. He has some great insights. I was going through some pain with some fool attacking me. I read his comments on a fool in the Proverbs section. It was what I needed and helped and comforted me so much. Don't waste your time arguing with a fool or you'll be just like him. I'm still reading the rest of the book.

This comes in a two volume series and is a real aid to reading the Bible. His commentaries are just enough to explain what's happening without adding the excessive data that make most commentaries unreadable. Well written and very helpful.

The Lord has truly blessed Warren Wiersbe. My only wish is that I could have sat under him during his time as pastor as I would have loved to hear his sermons first hand (though I listen to them over the radio all the time). For those who are familiar with Warren Wiersbe, this book reads just like you are hearing one of his wonderful sermons, while also giving you the feeling of talking with a friend over a cup of coffee. I can literally hear his voice as he explains parts of scripture (which he does in great depth). This book sits beside my bed, along with my Bible, when I'm away and have forgotten to bring this commentary, I truly miss it!

I first received the New Testament Commentary by Warren Wiersbe as a gift from my pastor's father, which I used faithfully for about three years teaching in my Adult Bible Study classes and I loved it . My pastor's father has been a pastor himself for sixty plus years before retiring and recommended these books so strongly as a great tool that he had personally used as well for years. He has been my mentor, is a wealth of information and has provided me with so many suggestions for both studying and teaching the Word. These commentaries are right at the top of the list. I am finding the Old Testament Commentary to be just as great of a study tool as my New Testament Commentary. I use the outlines from both Commentaries for every class I teach, along with the study materials provided. Using these commentaries has opened up a new world to me in my personal studies as well as in my class preparation. . These books have become an absolute treasure to me. I recommend this commentary highly for both personal study and use for classroom or sermon preparation as well.

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