



ONLINE BIBLE STUDY

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Currently there are many biblical desktop programs, and we can say that most of them are even free. Only those truly the most advanced and most comprehensive programs are paid. However, these programs can be very expensive - hundreds or thousands of dollars. E.g. a complete package of biblical program Logos can be currently purchased for \$10.800, BibleWorks currently costs \$389 (+ you can choose from modules with a total cost of over \$ 2.120) and the like. In addition, you can on the Internet find online versions of various translations of the Bible, mostly only in HTML, without additional functionalities. However, several servers offers a multifunctional applications, that allow you to select multiple translations, in the best case also comparing them (usually two translations side by side), have the ability to search, etc.

For those, who want to study the Bible really in depth, I created SOB - full-featured, powerful, free, online biblical program. In autumn 2016 I programmed a new version of SOB, built on Bootstrap framework. The following guide is designed for this new version.

SOB - basic environment introduction

The screenshot shows the SOB interface with the following numbered callouts:

- 1: SOB logo
- 2: Bible translation selection dropdown
- 3: Settings gear icon
- 4: Audio player icon
- 5: Search input field
- 6: Search button
- 7: Virtual keyboard icon
- 8: Help icon
- 9: Information icon
- 10: Bible translation title: King James Bible - with Strong numbers (EN)
- 11: Book selection dropdown (Psalms)
- 12: Chapter selection dropdown (chapter 43)
- 13: Previous book button
- 14: Previous chapter button
- 15: Next chapter button
- 16: Next book button
- 17: Strong's numbers toggle button
- 18: Commentaries dropdown
- 19: Language selection dropdown
- 20: Font size selection dropdown
- 21: Advanced search icon
- 22: Comparing mode icon
- 23: Display as a flowing text icon
- 24: Touchscreen device icon
- 25: Strong's numbers show/hide icon
- 26: Chinese Dictionary icon
- 27: National nicknames of God icon
- 28: Footer with version information and links

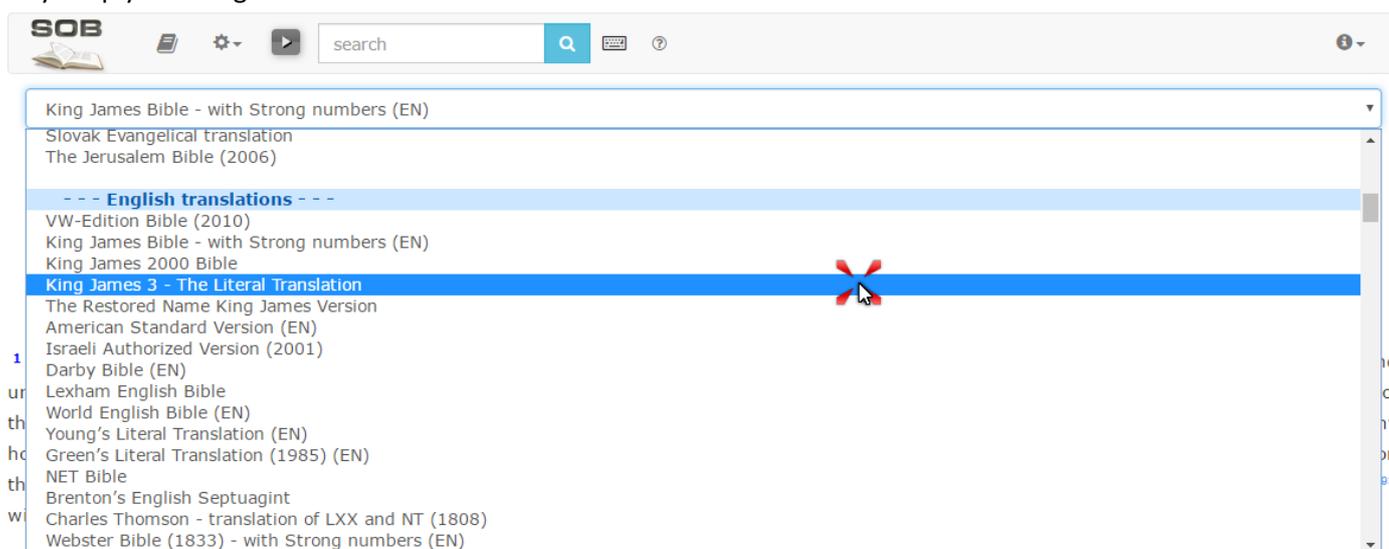
1) Reset all settings - except the language, font size and font type	15) Go to the next chapter
2) Selection of a bible-translation, the original text or concordance	16) Go to the next book of the Bible
3) Main application settings - the pop-up menu	17) The text of the Bible translation, the original text or concordance
4) Audio player	18) The selection of biblical commentaries
5) Smart Search Field	19) Selecting the Interface Language
6) Search button	20) Font size selection
7) Virtual keyboard	21) Advanced Search
8) Help for using the search box	22) Comparing mode
9) Another pop-up menu with informative content	23) Display as a flowing text / each verse on a new line
10) Module name (the name of Bible translation, etc.).	24) Touchscreen device [Y/N]
11) The selection of book of the Bible	25) Strong's numbers show / hide
12) The selection of chapter number	26) The ability to use Chinese Dictionary
13) Go to the previous book of the Bible	27) Change national nicknames of God to the name of God - יהוה
14) Go to the previous chapter	28) Links to other versions of SOB

The main features of the program

SOB offers a large number of Bible translations and original texts of the Bible (about 230), dictionaries, concordances, commentaries, audio bibles with online listening option (about 40), possibility of font size and font type settings, interface language settings (9 languages), simple and advanced search function (9 types), comparing any of translations (and any number of translations), direct links, Strong's numbers based study (Strong's dictionaries in 6 languages, the morphology of the Greek text in 8 languages) and more. In the following lines I would like to present the main functions in detail, including screenshots for better understanding.

Selection of Bible translation

Choosing a Bible translation is solved by a drop-down list, located at the top left - under the book icon. Here you can find translations divided into several sections, according to language translation. At the beginning you can find „Comparing mode“ and at the end of the list you can find Bible Concordances based on the Strong's numbers. Choosing a translation is very simple - clicking it - without confirmation.



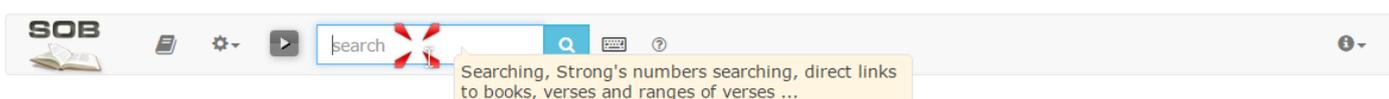
Navigation

Navigation on the site is very intuitive. Selection of a book of the Bible can be done easily by using the drop-down list, which is under the name of translation. In this list you can also see the number of the chapter where you are. Selection shall be done without confirmation. Right next you can find a similar list, allowing you to select a specific chapter from the selected book of the Bible (the number of a chapter is generated automatically - corresponds to the actual number of chapters in the book). Even here you do not confirm the chapter selection. This drop-down list at the same time provides you with the information about the chapter you are in. In addition, you have the buttons for a comfortable navigation to the next or previous chapter, and also to the next or previous book of the Bible. The last (and fastest) navigation option are the „direct links“.



Searching

The search function is one of the most important functions of any Bible program. In the SOB you can currently use the simple and advanced search functions and also Strong's numbers searching. All occurrences are also active links to verses (abbreviations of Bible-books correspond to the selected SOB interface language). In the header of SOB you can find a multifunctional search box. Here you can enter search words (or parts of words), Strong's numbers or direct links to books, chapters, verses or ranges of verses. Recognition is automatic.



Simple search

searched words, word or part of word

King James Bible - with Strong numbers (EN)

the possibility to limit the search to specific book

the number of verses, in which is the search term in the a particular book located

Total number of matched verses: **200**

Rom (20); Gen (14); 2Cor (14); Eph (12); Ps (11); Acts (10); 1Pet (9); Pro (8); Exod (8); Gal (7); Heb (7); 1Cor (6); Col (5); 2Tim (4); Titus (4); 2Thess (4); Phil (3); John (3); Luke (3); Jer (3); 2Sam (3); 1Sam (3); Isa (3); 1Tim (3); 2Kgs (2); Rev (2); Ruth (2); Num (2); Neh (2); Zech (2); Jas (2); 2Pet (2); 1Thess (2); Phlm (2); 2John (1); Jude (1); Mal (1); Esth (1); Ezra (1); 2Chr (1); Judg (1); Job (1); Eccl (1); Amos (1); Joel (1); Hos (1); Jonah (1);

link to the verse

Gen 6:8: But Noah found **grace** in the eyes of the LORD.

Gen 19:19: Behold now, thy servant hath found **grace** in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die :

Gen 32:5: And I have oxen, and asses, flocks, and menservants, and womenservants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that I may find **grace** in thy sight.

Advanced search

Into SOB I've added the advanced search feature. This feature greatly expands the capabilities of the basic search words. The advanced search feature currently offers 8 types of search, with additional display options for further translation of the Bible for comparison and with the possibility of limiting the range of the search on the part of the Bible or a particular book. The advanced search feature is available in two different ways - from the settings menu (the gear icon) or at the bottom of the SOB through the magnifying glass button with a + symbol inside.

Strong's numbers hide

hide verse numbers

each verse on a new line

Advanced search

Comparing mode

LORD ⇒ יהוה

Arial, Verdana, Times New Roman

King James Bible - with Strong numbers (EN)

Psalms chapter 4

1 To the chief M

righteousness^{H6664}

2 O ye sons HT

A Psalm^{H4210} of David^{H1732}. Hear^{H6030} me when I call^{H7121}, O God^{H430} of my

en I was in distress^{H6862}; have mercy^{H2603} upon me, and hear^{H8085} my prayer^{H8605}. ++

++ 2 O ye sons HT

ll ye turn my glory^{H3519} into shame^{H3639}? how long will ye love^{H157} vanity^{H7385}, and

Advanced search

Select of translation

King James Bible - with Strong numbers (EN)

Select of translation for comparison

Green's Literal Translation (1985) (EN)

Searched words (word)

heart

Search type

Simple search (word or part of a word)

Search in

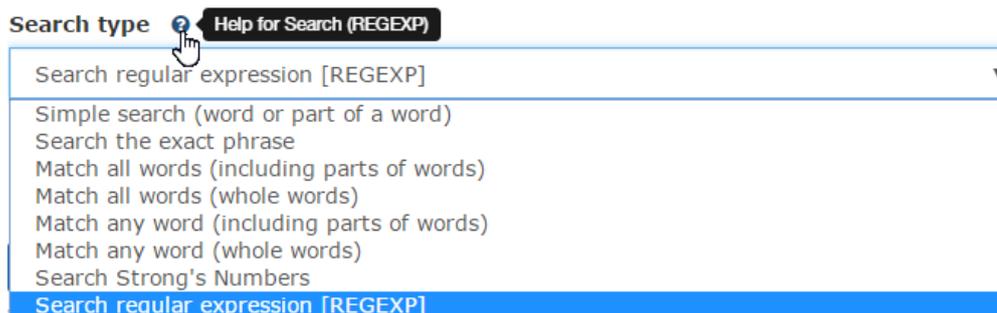
The whole Bible

Start searching

Cancel searching

Advanced search types

SOB now offers the following types of advanced search feature: Simple quick search for strings (words or parts of them), searching for exact phrases, search all words (or parts thereof), finding all the words (whole words), finding at least one of the words (or parts thereof), finding at least one of the words (full words) and also search using regular expressions. A new feature is the ability to search one or several Strong's numbers.



The basic function is a simple quick search for strings (words or its parts) without having to use so called Wildcards. It means, that you can not only search for whole words, but also their parts. In practice, this means, that as the search string you enter eg. root of some search word (common part) and searching will find all words this the same root.

You also have a search function for exact phrase. This function is useful, when you want to find a specific verse from the Bible, and if you know a part of it. Note: In this case it is necessary to keep the order of words!

If you are unsure about the exact phrase or a sequence of words in the verse, you can use the search function of all words. This feature offers two options - either whole words or parts of searched words. This feature will find verses, in which they occur all your searched words (or searched parts of words), but it does not matter their order or position in the verse.

Another type of search is a search at least one from the words. This function offers also two options - either search only whole words or parts of searched words. This function can be used with success eg. if you have in your head several translations of the Bible, and you're not sure, which word is used in the selected translation. You can enter eg. 2 or 3 options, and this function will display all occurrences of any of the words.

A new feature is the ability to search one or several Strong's numbers. This is a great help in the study of Scripture in depth. This is a way to reduce errors and inaccuracies in the translations of the Bible. Here is an example, how you can find all occurrences of „My Name“ in the New Testament. We'll look at the original, and for comparison we can choose some translation.

Advanced search 🔍

'G3686 G3450'

Total number of matched verses: **38**

TRA καὶ^{G2532} (CONJ) ἔσεσθε^{G2071} (V-FXI-2P) μισοῦμενοι^{G3404} (V-PPP-NPM) ὑπὸ^{G5259} (PREP) πάντων^{G3956} (A-GPM) διὰ^{G1223} (PREP) τὸ^{G3588} (T-ASN)
Matt 10:22 : ὄνομά^{G3686} (N-ASN) μου^{G3450} (P-1GS) . ὁ^{G3588} (T-NSM) δὲ^{G1161} (CONJ) ὑπομείνας^{G5278} (V-AAP-NSM) εἰς^{G1519} (PREP) τέλος^{G5056} (N-ASN) , οὗτος^{G3778} (D-NSM)
σωθήσεται^{G4982} (V-FPI-3S) .
KJ And^{G2532} ye shall^{G2071} be hated^{G3404} of^{G5259} all^{G3956} men for^{G1223} my^{G3450} name's sake^{G3686} : but^{G1161} he that^{G3778}
endureth^{G5278} to^{G1519} the end^{G5056} shall be saved^{G4982} .

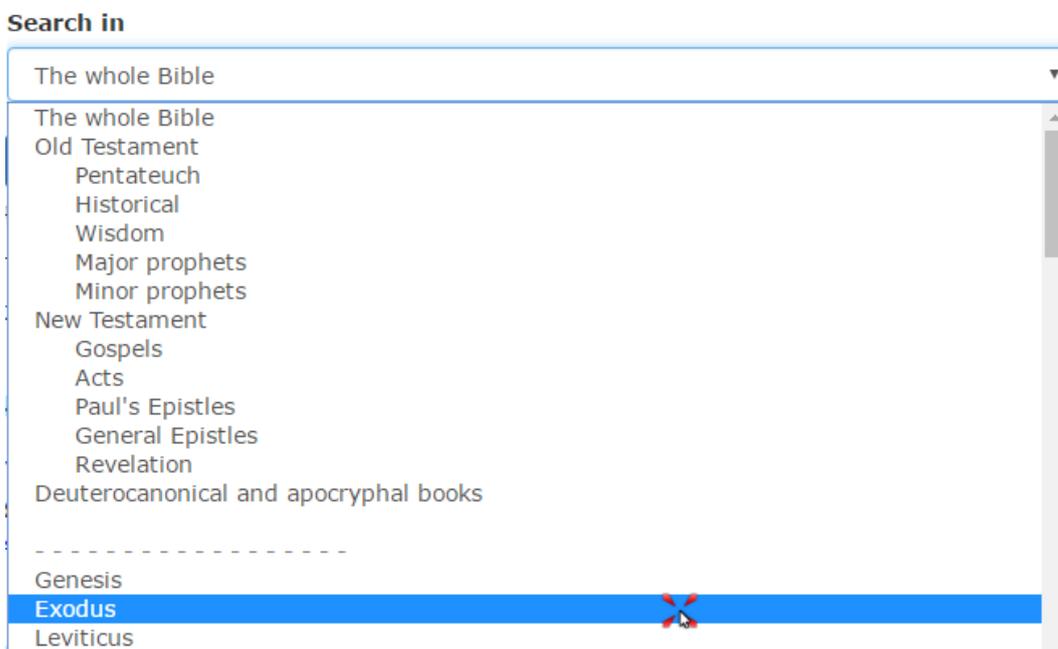
The last type of the advanced search option is a search with using regular expressions. This search option uses the MySQL REGEXP function, which offers only limited functionality, but it can still be of great help in the search. After using a search regular expression beside the selection box will appear a question mark icon, which is a link to the help file for using of regular expressions in SOB (help for now I wrote in Czech and English).



Another functionality is the ability to let you view some another translation to compare. Especially if you search for a specific word in a translation by comparison with verses from other Bible translation, you will find this option useful. Similarly useful this feature is, when you want some translation of the Bible compare e.g. with the original text.



The last advanced search functionality is the ability to limit your search to a part of the Bible. This option reduces search time and also allows you to limit the range, if they know, where the searched text placed. For simplicity, I prepared limit the search to 14 main areas, plus the ability to limit the selection to a some book of the Bible:

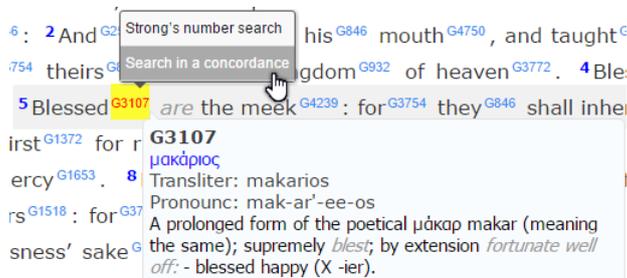


Strong's numbers searching

In addition to the search functionality, you can in SOB use also the Strong's number search function. This feature is of course available only for translations, that are with so called Strong's numbers equipped. This feature is something like concordance - enables you to find all the places, where the searched Greek (G1 ~ G5624) or Hebrew (H1 ~ H8674) word in the Bible occur. Strong's numbers you can search not only through the advanced search feature, one Strong's number you can search also directly - from the search box in the header of SOB:

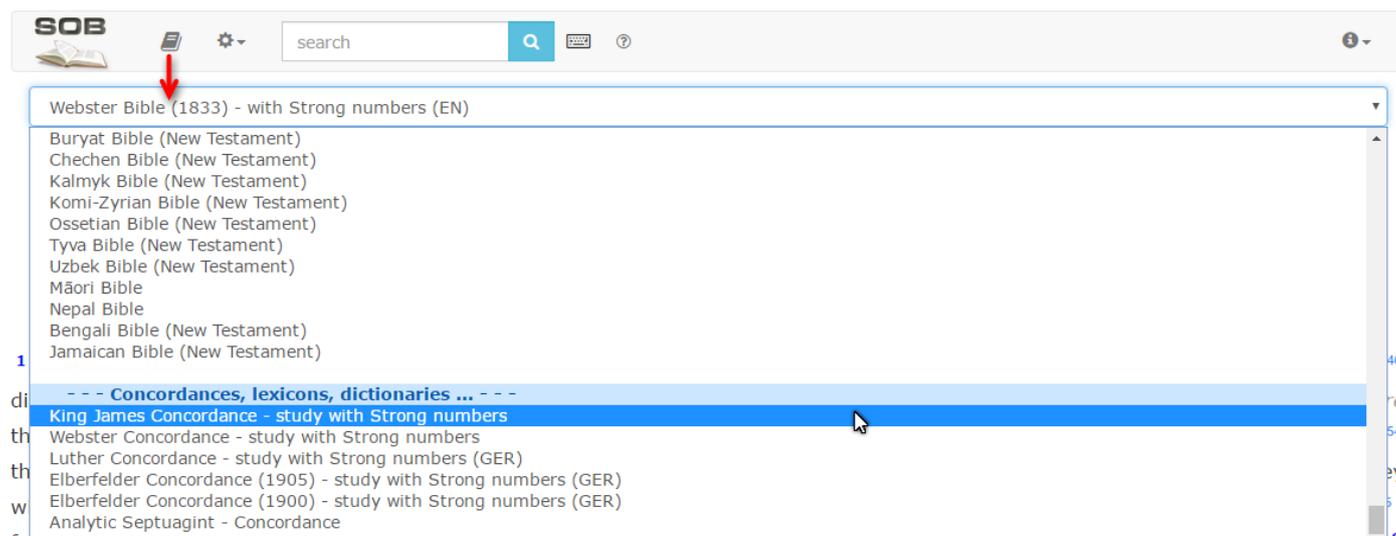


In this new version SOB you can also use a simpler way of operating with Strong's numbers than their searches using the aforementioned methods. Highlight (select) Strong's number, which you are interested in, and besides meaning of this word will appear also offer to find all verses, where the words with this Strong's number are („Strong's number search“), or search word with this Strong's number in a concordance („Search in a concordance“).

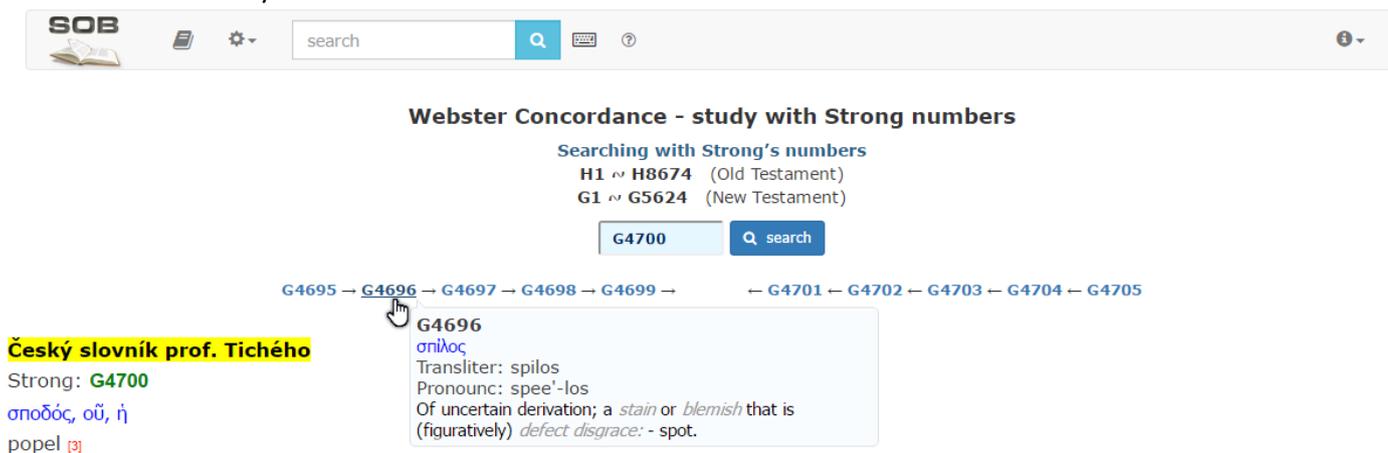


In concordance you can find besides all the places of occurrence also amount of available dictionaries in several languages, the possibility of comparing the original Hebrew or Greek text with translation of the Bible, ... Both functions in the pop-up menu I set up so, that the search results are displayed in a new window (new tab), and the original text will remain available. In this case you may not have pressed CTRL.

Another concordances can be found at the end of the list of translations:



At the beginning of concordances see box for entering searched Strong's number. Below you'll find a range neighboring Strong's numbers (± 5). Is it because the surrounding Strong's numbers usually contain related words - eg. different sentence members of the same word, words with related meanings, respectively words with the same root, etc. Below that you will find Strong's dictionaries in several languages - Czech, English (2), Spanish (3x), Russian, French, German and Chinese dictionary.



Greek Lexicon IPD (Theological Dictionary of the New Testament)

Strong: **G4700**

Word: σποδος

Pronunciation: spod-os'

Orig: of uncertain derivation; ashes:--ashes.

Use: Noun Masculine

HE Strong: **H665 H1880**

1) ashes: placed on sackcloth as a token of grief

At the end of the list you will find concordance - including the number of occurrences, ways of translating searched word and all occurrences:

Webster Concordance (1833)
 Strong: **G4700**
 Transliteration & Pronunciation: spodos {spod-os'}
 Total Webster Occurrences: **3**

ashes, 3
 Matt 11:21 ; Luke 10:13 ; **Heb 9:13**

Analytic Septuagint with Strong
 Strong: **G4700** - σποδός, οὔ, ἡ - [search]

Hebrews 9, 13
 For^{G1063} if^{G1487} the blood^{G129} of bulls^{G5022} and^{G2532} of goats^{G5131}, and^{G2532} the ashes^{G4700} of an heifer^{G1151} sprinkling^{G4472} the unclean^{G2840}, sanctify^{G37} to^{G4314} the purifying^{G2514} of the flesh^{G4561}:
Hebrews 9, 13
 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh,

If you are looking in the Greek part of the Bible, and if the word with the corresponding Strong's number is also in the Septuagint (a translation of the Old Covenant in Greek - from the 3rd century BC), under a concordance you will find offer to find all the relevant verses in the Septuagint. It is often very good help, when you need to verify the meaning of a word, and often the only possibility of understanding in case, when the searched word in the New Testament occurs only once or a few times. Concordance for the Analytic Septuagint I created for version without accents and with God's name:

Analytic Septuagint with Strong numbers and morphology (v. יהוה)
 Strong: **G4700** - σποδός, οὔ, ἡ - [22 x] [search]

Directly in our example we can use the the possibilities mentioned concordance to the Analytical Septuagint. Searched Greek word „σποδός“ [spodos = ashes] in the text of the New Testament occurs only 3 times, while in the Septuagint 22 times. It is already for the verification meaning of the word relatively „sufficient“.

Analytic Septuagint with Strong numbers and morphology (v. יהוה)
 Strong: **G4700** - σποδός, οὔ, ἡ - [22 x]

Gen 18:27 ; **Lev 1:16** ; Num 19:9 ; 2Sam 13:19 ; Esth 4:1 ; Esth 4:2 ; Esth 4:3 ; Job 13:12 ; Job 30:19 ; Job 42:6 ; Ps 102:9 ; Ps 147:16 ; Isa 44:20 ; Isa 58:5 ; Isa 61:3 ;

Λευιτικό 1, 16
 και^{G2532} αφειλει τον^{G3588} προλοβον συν^{G4862} τοις^{G3588} πτεροις και^{G2532} εκβαλει^{G1544} αυτο^{G846} παρα^{G3844} το^{G3588} θυσιαστηριον^{G2379} κατα^{G2596} ανατολας^{G395} εις^{G1519} τον^{G3588} τοπον^{G5117} της^{G3588} σποδου^{G4700}
Leviticus 1, 16
 And he shall remove its crop with its feathers and cast it beside the altar on the east side, into the place for ashes.

an 9:3 ; Jonah 3:6 ; Mal 4:3
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 es, PDA, .. | SOB - the old version

You may click on the abbreviations of linked verses. Then you'll see the verse in the comparing mode (in the a new tab) - together with a translation in the selected interface language and the original biblical text:

Lev 1:16

LXXA και^{G2532} (CONJ) αφειλει^(V-FAI-3S) τον^{G3588} (T-ASM) προλοβον^(N-ASM) συν^{G4862} (PREP) τοις^{G3588} (T-DPN) πτεροις^(N-DPN) και^{G2532} (CONJ) εκβαλει^{G1544} (V-FAI-3S) αυτο^{G846} (D-ASN) παρα^{G3844} (PREP) το^{G3588} (T-ASN) θυσιαστηριον^{G2379} (N-ASN) κατα^{G2596} (PREP) ανατολας^{G395} (N-APF) εις^{G1519} (PREP) τον^{G3588} (T-ASM) τοπον^{G5117} (N-ASM) της^{G3588} (T-GSF) σποδου^{G4700} (N-GSF)

WLC H1880 והִסִיר H4725 מִקֶּוֶם H413 אֵל H6924 קִרְמָה H4196 הַמִּזְבֵּחַ H681 אֲצֵל H853 אֹתָהּ H7993 וְהִשְׁלִיךְ H5133 בְּנֹצְתָהּ H4760 מִרְאֵתוֹ H853 אֵת H5493 וְהִסִיר

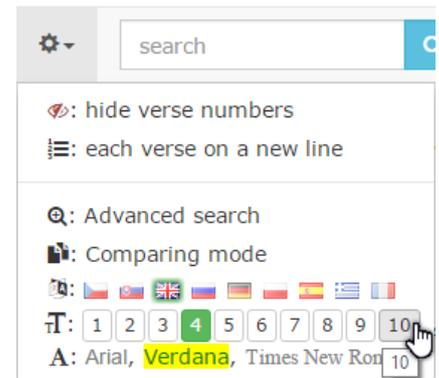
WV And he shall remove its crop with its feathers and cast it beside the altar on the east side, into the place for ashes.

Display whole chapter

Font size

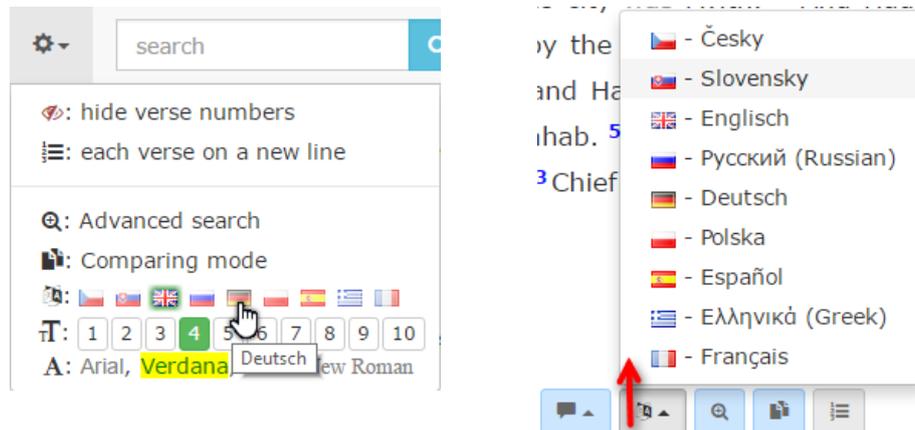
With respect to the fact that between SOB users are people with varying screen resolution, and especially with respect to the user with varying degrees of visual disturbances, I programmed into the SOB a simple possibility to set font size. Currently SOB offers 10 presets of font size.

Changing the font size is very simple - click on any of the numbers 1 to 10. SOB will your choice remember for a long time, so you do not need to confirm it with every change on the page. Depending on the selected font size are changing also the font size in a tooltip.



The interface language

SOB has become a bit of an „international application software.“ For this reason I have prepared its localization into 9 languages (Czech, Slovak, English, German, Russian, Polish, Spanish, French and Greek). Selecting the interface language can be done two ways - either from the menu in the header of SOB (gear icon) - by clicking on the corresponding flag, or from the drop-down menu in the bottom of the SOB. Besides, I'm programmed into SOB automatic detection of browser language. Therefore SOB automatically offer worthiest interface language setting, and also suitable translation of the Bible. The choice of the interface language also determines the selection of dictionaries, language of the greek morphology, translations in concordances, cross references with comments and so on.



Dictionaries

Important part of the SOB are also dictionaries. In particular, the Greek-Czech Dictionary from prof. Tichý (where I added missing Greek words, which occur in the Textus Receptus), Strong's Hebrew-English Dictionary, Strong's Greek-English Dictionary, Greek-English dictionary IPD (Theological Dictionary of the New Testament), Hebrew-English dictionary Brown-Driver-Briggs' Hebrew Definitions, auxiliary German dictionaries that I have created from Luther and Elberfelder Bible, Strong's Hebrew-Spanish Dictionary and Strong's Greek-Spanish dictionary (Español Multiléxico Strong-Chávez-Tuggy-Vine-Swanson), Strong's Hebrew-French Dictionary and Strong's Greek-French dictionary, Strong's Hebrew-Russian Dictionary and Strong's Greek-Russian Dictionary (Лексикон по Стронгу и Дворецкому), and newly also Hebrew-Chinese and Greek-Chinese Dictionary. Dictionary language changes automatically - depending on the SOB interface language.

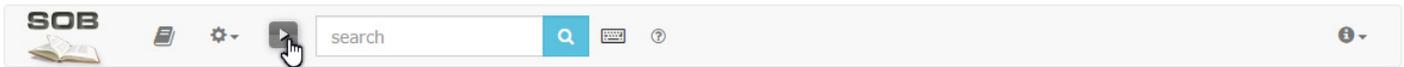
Select a font type

Newly you can choose from the menu in the header of SOB the font type - either a classic Arial, a wide and elegant font Verdana (the default) or Times New Roman:



On-line listening Audio Bibles

SOB offers the possibility of online listening the Audio Bibles (currently about 40 translations). Newly I chose audio player in HTML5, which does not need the Flash player. The player will appear in the header of SOB only if narrated bible for this translation available.



As an innovation in the **SOB** you can find also the possibility of reading aloud, using a speech synthesizer (TTS) - for about 170 translations in 25 languages. Just hide the numbers of verses and mark text to be read aloud (eg. text of the entire chapter). If you at the bottom see the following picture, you can use this function:

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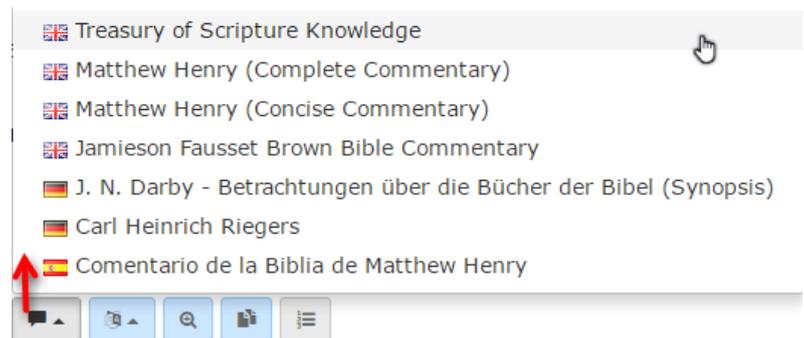
Biblical commentaries

Currently SOB offers 7 biblical commentaries. These comments you can simply activate for currently displayed chapter. The most detailed Biblical database cross-references TSK (Treasury of Scripture Knowledge) offers about 500,000 cross-references. Commentaries are now available from the dropdown menu at the bottom of SOB:



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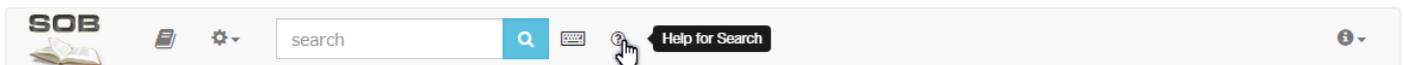
[SOB - version for mobiles, PDA, ..](#) | [SOB - the old version](#)



Direct links

Direct links are the quickest way to move to a specific place of the Bible, they are also very useful, eg. if using links on the SOB on the discussion forums, blogs and personal websites (just copy the address).

Direct link to enter the name of the book (or an abbreviation), separator (space, comma, colon, dash), chapter number, separator, verse number (optional), separator (optional), final verse (optional) - eg: John 3 16 (John 3:16) or eg John 3,12-16 (John 3:12-16). Instructions for use direct links including books abbreviations will be displayed after clicking on the icon with a question mark:



Abbreviations name of the books: Gen, Exod, Lev, Num, Deut, Josh, Judg, Ruth, 1Sam, 2Sam, 1Kgs, 2Kgs, 1Chr, 2Chr, Ezra, Neh, Esth, Job, Ps, Pro, Eccl, Song, Isa, Jer, Lam, Ezek, Dan, Hos, Joel, Amos, Obad, Jonah, Mic, Nah, Hab, Zeph, Hag, Zech, Mal, Matt, Mark, Luke, John, Acts, Rom, 1Cor, 2Cor, Gal, Eph, Phil, Col, 1Thess, 2Thess, 1Tim, 2Tim, Titus, Phlm, Heb, Jas, 1Pet, 2Pet, 1John, 2John, 3John, Jude, Rev

You can also use lower case letters as well as Czech, Slovak, Russian, Polish, German or French common abbreviations, names or even whole books.

Here you can see a direct link to the verse John 3:16-17 and the result:

he who descended out of heaven, the Son of Man, who is in heaven. ¹⁴As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁶For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God didn't send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through him. ¹⁸He who believes in him is not judged. He who doesn't

List of verses

Newly (4/2017) you can also use several direct links to verses separated by a semicolon (with no space!). This option is (as well as direct links) especially useful for the discussion forums, blogs and personal websites (just copy the address). Example: „**John 3:16;Gen 2 4-7;Ps 1,1-4;Pro 2,6**“.

Deuterocanonical books

Into SOB I programmed the support to view deuterocanonical and apocryphal books. The search function can also be used for searching in these books. The only restriction is, that these books can not be used in Comparing mode. If some of the deuterocanonical (or apocryphal) books are in the selected translation available, the names of specific books you will find at the end of the drop-down list selected book.

- Tobit
- Judith
- Wisdom of Solomon
- Sirach
- Baruch
- 1 Maccabees
- 2 Maccabees**
- Prayer of Azariah
- Susanna
- Bel and the Dragon
- Esther Greek
- Epistle of Jeremiah

Comparing mode

SOB offers the possibility of comparing any of translations, even any number of translations simultaneously. Selecting the comparing mode can be done two ways - either from the menu in the header of SOB (gear icon), or from the bottom of the SOB - by clicking on the button 

Selecting translations to compare 

Press the CTRL key and hold it. By clicking select the translation you want to compare. Then release the CTRL key and click on the button "compare"!



Click on down arrows beside the text „Selecting translations to compare“ . Press the CTRL key and hold it. By clicking select the translation you want to compare. Then release the CTRL key and click on the button „compare“! Besides translations here, you can choose as well as Czech or English pronunciation of the Hebrew original text or for example commentaries (for example Jamieson Fausset Brown Bible Commentary [JFB], Treasury of Scripture Knowledge [TSK] etc).

Selecting translations to compare 

Ps 2:1

KJ Why do the heathen^{H1471} rage^{H7283} , and the people^{H3816} imagine^{H1897} a vain thing^{H7385} ? rage: or, tumultuously assemble imagine: Heb. meditate

KJ3 Why have the nations raged and the peoples are meditating vanity?

LXXAA ἵνα^{G2443} {CONJ} τὶ^{G5100} {I-ASN} ἐφρούραξαν^{G5433} {V-AAI-3P} ἔθνη^{G1484} {N-NPN} καὶ^{G2532} {CONJ} λαοὶ^{G2992} {N-NPM} ἐμελέτησαν^{G3191} {V-AAI-3P} κενά^{G2756} {A-APN} ;

WLC

H7385 רִיק H1897 יָהַגוּ H3816 וְלֵאמֹרִים H1471 גוֹיִם H7283 רָגְזוּ H4100 לְבַקָּה

Click again on the already selected translation to deselect. When you want to return to normal display mode, simply eg. from the drop-down list in the header of SOB choose the translation you want to see. If you really get lost, just click on the icon SOB, which works also as a „reset“.



Study of the Hebrew texts

SOB offers the option of easy studying the original Hebrew text of the Old Testament. In SOB You can find now texts Westminster Leningrad Codex and Aleppo Codex (German Bible Society unfortunately banned the use of Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia in SOB). Westminster Leningrad Codex are provided with vowels and with Strong’s numbers (with links to the dictionary. You can also view the transliteration (transcript of pronunciation) - in Czech or English (or in both languages). There is also narrated version with online listening possibility. Dictionaries linked to Strong’s numbers are changing automatically - depending on the selected interface language. Besides the mentioned texts in the SOB You can find also Modern Hebrew Bible and the Hebrew New Testament with vocalization.

Westminster Leningrad Codex with Strong’s numbers

Czech transliteration
 English transliteration



לְמַה רָנְשׁוּ גוֹיִם וְלְאֻמִּים יְהוָה רִיק
 lama rageshu goyim ulumim yehgu-rik:

וְתִצְבּוּ מַלְכֵי אֶרֶץ וְרוֹזְנִים נֹסְדוּ יְהוָה וְעַל מִשְׁחָהוּ
 retz veroznim nosdu-yahhad al-yehovah veal-meshihho:

H4899
 מִשְׁחָהוּ
 Transliter: māshîyach
 Pronounc: maw-shee'-akh
 From **H4886**; *anointed*; usually a *consecrated* person (as a king priest or saint); specifically the *Messiah*: - anointed Messiah.

נִתְקַתָּה אֵת מוֹסְרוֹתֵינוּ וְנִשְׁלִיכָהּ מִמֶּנּוּ
 nenateka et-mosrotemo venashlikha mimenu avotemo:

Study of the original Greek texts

SOB offers comfortable study all major Greek texts of the New Testament, and in addition the Septuagint (the Old Testament in Greek). You can find here the Textus Receptus, the Byzantine/Majority text, Tischendorf NT - 8 editions, Westcott-Hort text NT. All these texts are provided with Strong’s numbers and morphology. In the SOB is also available text UBS - 3. edition (NA27) and SBL - Greek text of the New Testament (Society of Biblical Literature - 2010).

You have several variants of narrated NT, with online listening possibility.

1J 1:8

TRA εἰς ^{G1437} (COND) εἶπωμεν ^{G2036} (V-2AAS-1P) ὅτι ^{G3754} (CONJ) ἁμαρτίαν ^{G266} (N-ASF) οὐκ ^{G3756} (PRT-N) ἔχομεν ^{G2192} (V-PAI-1P), ἑαυτοὺς ^{G1438} (F-3APM) πλανῶμεν ^{G4105} (V-PAI-1P), καὶ ^{G2532} (CONJ) ἡ ^{G3588} (T-NSF) ἀλήθεια ^{G225} (N-NSF) οὐκ ^{G3756} (PRT-N) ἔστιν ^{G2076} (V-PXI-3S) ἐν ^{G1722} (PREP) ἡμῖν ^{G2254} (P-1DP).

BYZ εἰς ^{G1437} (COND) εἶπωμεν ^{G2036} (V-2AAS-1P) ὅτι ^{G3754} (CONJ) ἁμαρτιαν ^{G266} (N-ASF) οὐκ ^{G3756} (PRT-N) εχομεν ^{G2192} (V-PAI-1P) εαυτους ^{G1438} (F-3APM) πλανωμεν ^{G4105} (V-PAI-1P) και ^{G2532} (CONJ) η ^{G3588} (T-NSF) αληθεια ^{G225} (N-NSF) ουκ ^{G3756} (PRT-N) εστιν ^{G2076} (V-PXI-3S) εν ^{G1722} (PREP) ημιν ^{G2254} (P-1DP)

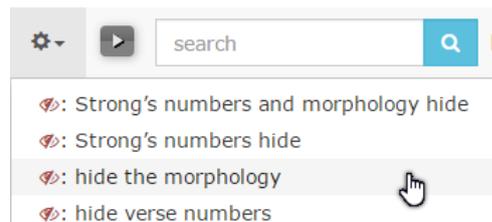
TIS εἰς ^{G1437} (cond) εἶπωμεν ^{G3004} (v-2aas-1p) ὅτι ^{G3754} (conj) ἁμαρτίαν ^{G266} (n-asf) οὐκ ^{G3756} (prt-n) ἔχομεν, ^{G2192} (v-pai-1p) ἑαυτοὺς ^{G1438} (f-3apm) πλανῶμεν ^{G4105} (v-pai-1p) καὶ ^{G2532} (conj) ἡ ^{G3588} (t-nsf) ἀλήθεια ^{G225} (n-nsf) οὐκ ^{G3756} (prt-n) ἔστιν ^{G1510} (v-pai-3s) ἐν ^{G1722} (prep) ἡμῖν. ^{G2248} (p-1dp)

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UBS3 εἰς εἶπωμεν ὅτι ἁμαρτίαν οὐκ ἔχομεν, ἑαυτοὺς πλανῶμεν καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια οὐκ ἔστιν ἐν ἡμῖν.

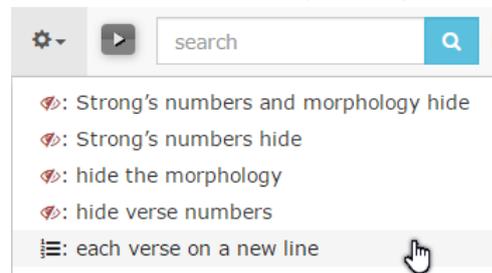
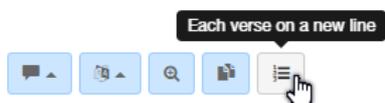
SBL εἰς εἶπωμεν ὅτι ἁμαρτίαν οὐκ ἔχομεν, ἑαυτοὺς πλανῶμεν καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια οὐκ ἔστιν ἐν ἡμῖν.

Show or hide Strong's numbers and morphology you can either from the menu in the header, or using the buttons at the bottom of the SOB. If the Strong's numbers are displayed, appears also a button with the possibility of switching to a Chinese dictionary.



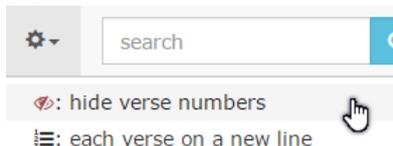
Displaying verses on separate lines / flowing text

SOB offers a choice of displaying texts as a continuous text or display each verse on a new line. The style of displaying you can set either from the menu in the header of SOB (gear icon), or from the bottom of the SOB - by clicking on the button:



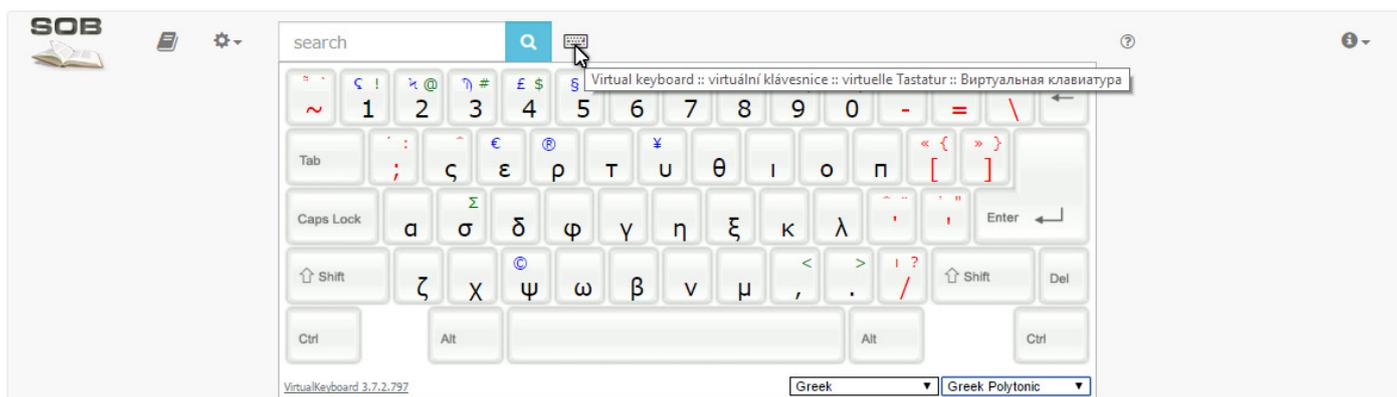
Show / hide the numbers of verses

SOB offers the possibility to show or hide the numbers of verses. This allows you to read the Bible simply as a book - without distraction due to numbers of verses. Another useful way to use this option is possibility to read the text by using speech synthesizers. This option is especially useful for owners of tablets and smartphones, as well as for people with impaired vision. The style of displaying you can select from the menu in the header of **SOB** (gear icon).



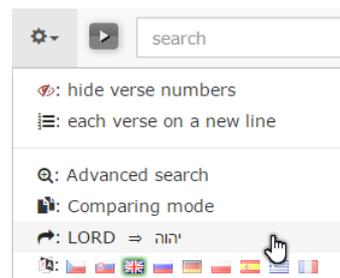
Virtual keyboard

In the case you want to search words in a foreign language text, and if you have not installed on the computer keyboard in the required character set, you can easily use the virtual keyboard, which is part of the SOB. Language of the virtual keyboard is preset depending on the language of the currently displayed translation of the Bible. The virtual keyboard offers more than 100 variants - the selection you can at any time change manually. The virtual keyboard can be activated by clicking on the keyboard icon next to the search box in the header SOB.



Replacement of national nicknames into God's name

A very common practice of translators of the Bible in many nations and languages is replacing God's name some common word or „nickname“ (eg. LORD, Pán, Hospodin, GOTT, ER etc.). Usually this step masquerades as a reverence for God's name, but the opposite is true. Anyway, I did (for about 60 Bible translations) option, with one click change a substitute of the divine name into Hebrew Tetragrammaton „יהוה“. Settings can be changed either from the menu in the header of SOB (gear icon), or from the bottom of the SOB - by clicking on the button



Using links to SOB on other websites

SOB can of course use for example even the authors of the Christian sites. The easiest solution is simply copy the internet address (např. <http://obohu.cz/bible/index.php?styl=KJ3&k=Mt&kap=4>). This is the link to the fourth chapter of Matthew's Gospel - King James 3 translation. In the same way you can use eg links to concordances, comparative mode, search results for some term or Strong's numbers. In addition, you can use also links to a specific verse, or even to the range of verses. For this purpose you can in the SOB use attributes „v“ (verse) and possibly also „kv“ (final verse). Link to the Matthew chapter 4, verse 23 to 24 will therefore look as follows:

<http://www.obohu.cz/bible/index.php?styl=KJ3&k=Mt&kap=4&v=23&kv=24>.

SOB in addition offers the possibility to make a link directly to the verse. This means, that the listing of the chapter move directly to the referenced verse (if the length of the chapter allows it). This is an optional attribute on the end of the link, in the form „#vX“, where **X** is the number of referenced verse. So if we like to use this functionality in the previous case, the link would look like this:

<http://www.obohu.cz/bible/index.php?styl=KJ3&k=Mt&kap=4&v=23&kv=24#v23>

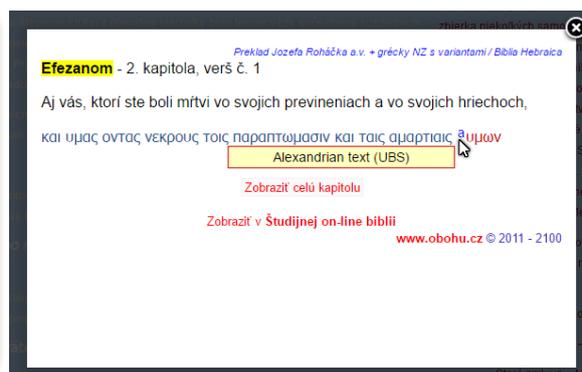
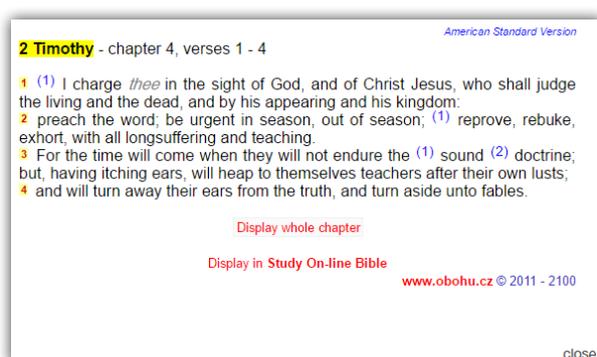
This functionality can also be found in listing all variants of the search, and also in the list of verses on separate lines.

The most effective ways to integrate SOB into the websites is displaying links in window - either in the Pop-up window, or even better using some variants of lightbox. I prepared a simple JavaScript solution for all authors of existing Christian sites, thanks to which can their existing websites during a time transform into pages with active links to Bible verses. This solution I prepared for Czech, Slovak, German, French and Spanish authors of the Christian sites, because for English users exist similar and great solution - Reftagger (<https://reftagger.com>). But in the case of interest I can try prepare variant also for the English users.

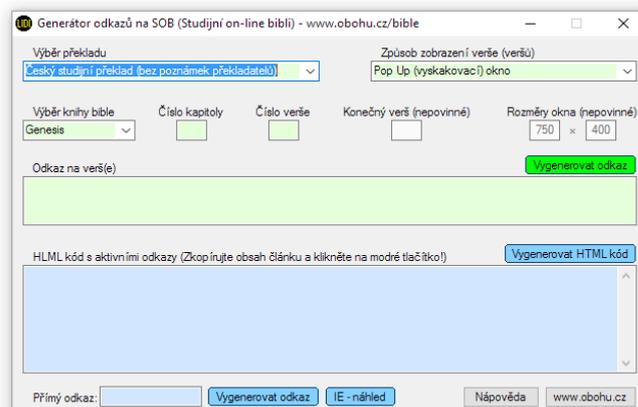
The code, that must be inserted into the websites, can be very simple, eg .:

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Lightbox pop-ups can also be easily integrated into the content management systems, and may look like this:



For the Czech and German authors of Christian websites I programmed also a multifunctional generator of links to Bible verses, which offers great freedom in the choice of translations of the Bible, appearance, pop-ups or lightbox variant, and so on.



SOB - version for mobile devices

I prepared SOB version designed for mobile phones, PDAs, tablets and other mobile devices with low resolution displays. This version adapts to „any“ resolution, has a bit limited graphics, has a slightly modified controls, redesigned advanced search his statement and so on. However, the features and options remain the same. This „mobile“ version you can find on the easy to remember address: www.obohu.cz/mbible.

Link to switch to the „mobile“ version (and also to the older version of SOB) is at the bottom the SOB.

[SOB - version for mobiles, PDA, ..](#) | [SOB - the old version](#)

The current offer of the translations

At the moment (April 25, 2017) SOB contains about 230 translations and original texts of the Bible, dictionaries, concordances, commentaries and narrated Bibles with on-line listening. Translation of the Bible or part of the Bible is in the SOB available in 68 languages...

Discussion forum about SOB

I prepared Internet SOB forum, even now in 3 languages (CZ, DE, EN). Address of this Internet discussion forum is <http://www.obohu.cz/sob>. Here you you can write your suggestions, reviews, questions, etc...

Conclusion

If you want to study the Bible really deep, you can solve this problem through free Bible programs (Davar, ISA, Theophilos, TheWord, E-Sword, Sword etc.), or pay extra and buy one of the paid biblical programs. SOB is a free, powerful biblical program - and you need just an Internet connection. No installation is needed, no free space on your hard drive is needed. No advertising, spam, viruses and Trojans - it is commonplace. SOB works without problems on any operating system.

I would like, that SOB become your favorite helper on the way to a deeper understanding of Scripture.

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