

Searching ATLAReligion

ATLAReligion, or ATLA, is a comprehensive database that spans over 50 years. It is used to find and access journal articles, book reviews, and essays.

Searching using ATLA

To Access ATLA:

1. Clicking on ***Library*** on the Seminary's homepage and then clicking on the ***Electronic Databases*** link:

Tutorials for searching Sophie:

- [by Title](#)
- [by Author](#)
- [by Subject](#)

Electronic Databases

Search these databases for full-text articles, journal citations, and other resources.

2. Click on the **ATLAReligion** link:

[ArticleFirst](#)

An OCLC index of articles from nearly 12,500 journals.

[ATLAReligion](#)

Important index to journal articles, book reviews, and collections of essays in all fields of religion. This comprehensive bibliographic database spans 50 years. Selected records go back as far as 1818. Contains one-million-plus records. Also known as "ATLA." Available through FirstSearch.

3. The following search screen appears:

CST First Search Databases

ATLASReligion Advanced Search

• Enter search terms in one or more boxes and click on Search.

Home Databases Searching Resource Sharing Staff View My Account

Basic Search Advanced Search Expert Search Previous Searches Go to page

News ?

Current database: ATLASReligion

Search Clear

Search in database: ATLASReligion (Updated: 2007-03-07)
Religious and theological literature for students and faculty

Search for: [] Keyword [v] [] [v]

and [v] [] Keyword [v] [] [v]

and [v] [] Keyword [v] [] [v]

b Year [] (format: YYYY-YYYY)
Language No Limit [v]
Document Type No Limit [v]
Record Stream No Limit [v]
Product Code No Limit [v]

c Peer-Reviewed All [v]
Open Access All [v]

Limit to: Full text [?]

Limit availability to: match any of the following
Library Code [] Find codes...

Rank by: No ranking [v] [?]

Search Clear

English | Español | Français | عربي | 日本語 | 한국어 | 中文(繁體) | 中文(简体) | Options | Comments | Exit

This screen allows the following search options to be used:

- a. Up to three different individual criteria to be used at the same time
- b. The search results can be limited to reduce the number of items found in the search results
- c. The results can be ranked according to date or relevance


To Conduct an ATLA Search

ATLA can be used to search for


- a. Individual criteria, such as searching for a specific author or title
- b. Multiple criteria, such as searching for an author and title

This example will focus on a subject search

1. Enter the subject in the first search criteria box:

Search for: 

2. Select subject from the keyword dropdown list next to the author's name:

Search for: 

3. Click on the search button at the top or on the bottom of the screen.

4. The search results will then display:

The screenshot displays a search results interface for ATLAS Religion. The search criteria are 'su: biblical and su: interpretation', resulting in 3,769 records. The interface includes navigation tabs (Home, Databases, Searching, Results, Resource Sharing) and a search bar. Below the search bar, there are options for 'List of Records', 'Detailed Record', 'Marked Records', and 'Saved Records'. A 'Go to page' dropdown is set to 1. The search results are displayed in a list format, with each item including a checkbox, a title, author information, source information, document type, and a list of libraries where the item is available. A 'View Full Text in GIF format (ATLA)' link is provided for each result.

ATLAS Religion results for: su: biblical and su: interpretation. ([Save Search](#))
Records found: 3,769

Find related: [Books etc. \(WorldCat\)](#) [Journal Articles \(ECO\)](#) [Reference Resources \(WorldAlmanac\)](#) [Previous Searches](#)

1. [Taking liberties with the text: the Colossians household code as hermeneutical paradigm](#)
Author: Henderson, Suzanne Watts. Source: Interpretation 60 no 4 O 2006, p 420-432. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1065 [CAREY S. THOMAS LIBRARY-DENSEM](#) [DENVER METRO](#) ,
[View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)

2. [2 Peter 3:1-3](#)
Author: Kuhn, Karl. Source: Interpretation 60 no 3 JI 2006, p 310-312. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1065 [CAREY S. THOMAS LIBRARY-DENSEM](#) [DENVER METRO](#) ,
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3. [Pride and idolatry](#)
Author: Reno, Russell R. Source: Interpretation 60 no 2 Ap 2006, p 166-180. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1065 [CAREY S. THOMAS LIBRARY-DENSEM](#) [DENVER METRO](#) ,
[View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)

4. [What did Luther say? Jesus and Mary Magdalene](#)
Author: Becker, Matthew. Source: Christian Century 123 no 10 My 16 2006, p 11. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 3212 [CAREY S. THOMAS LIBRARY-DENSEM](#) [DENVER METRO](#) ,
[View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)

This list of items displays the following information:

- a. The title and author
- b. The source of the item
- c. The type of item
- d. The Libraries it can found in
- e. If a full text version of the document is available

Using ATLAReligion Search Results

ATLAReligion search results can be emailed and/or printed out.

Emailing search results

Results can be emailed by

1. Clicking in the check box next to each desired result:

- 11. ["Is this not why you are wrong?" exegetical reflections on Mark 12:18-27](#)
Author: Mays, James Luther. **Source:** Interpretation 60 no 1 Ja 2006, p 32-46. **Doc. Type:** Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1
 [View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)
- 12. ["Am I able to say just anything?" learning faithful exegesis from Balaam](#)
Author: Lapsley, Jacqueline E. **Source:** Interpretation 60 no 1 Ja 2006, p 22-31. **Doc. Type:** Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1
 [View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)

2. Once all the results have been selected, click on the e-mail icon:



The following screen opens:

	<input type="button" value="Send"/>
Send:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Records 11 - 20 <input type="radio"/> Marked Records: 10
Record detail:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Brief record(s) <input type="radio"/> Detailed record(s)
Record format:	<input type="radio"/> Send as HTML <input checked="" type="radio"/> Send as plain text - Line length <input type="text" value="72"/>
To e-mail address:	<input type="text"/>
Sender e-mail address:	<input type="text"/> (optional)
Your full name:	<input type="text"/> (optional)
Subject:	<input type="text"/> (optional)
Notes: (optional)	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="button" value="Send"/>

3. Click in the circle next to Marked Records to email the selected results:

Send: Records 11 - 20
 Marked Records: 10

4. Select how much detail you want for each result:

Record detail: Brief record(s)
 Detailed record(s)

5. Select the record format:

Record format: Send as HTML
 Send as plain text - Line length

6. Enter the sender information:

To e-mail address:

Sender e-mail address: (optional)

Your full name: (optional)

Subject: (optional)

Notes: (optional)














NOTE: Only the email address is required. All other information is optional and does not have to be included.

7. Once the sender's information is entered click on the send button, , which can be found at the top or the bottom of the screen.

Printing Search Results

Search results can be printed out as a hard copy. However, they can only be printed out one screen at a time (one screen = ten records). To print out the desired results:

1. Select the desired results:

- 1. [Philippians 2:1-11](#)
Author: Allen, Ronald J. Source: Interpretation 61 no 1 Ja 2007, p 72-74. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1065 
 [View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)
- 2. [The Bible, mission, and social location: toward a missional hermeneutic](#)
Author: Barram, Michael D. Source: Interpretation 61 no 1 Ja 2007, p 42-58. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 106
 [View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)
- 3. [Encounters with biblical theology](#)
Author: Collins, John Joseph, Source: Interpretation 61 no 1 Ja 2007, p 88-90. Doc. Type: Review [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1
 [View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)
- 4. [Just a busybody? A look at the Greco-Roman topos of meddling for defining allotriepiskopos](#)
Author: Brown, Jeannine K. Source: Journal of Biblical Literature 125 no 3 Aut 2006, p 549-568. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1065
  [View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)
- 5. [Isaiah 62:6-12](#)
Author: Hooker, Paul K. Source: Interpretation 60 no 4 O 2006, p 438-441. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1065
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- 6. [Taking liberties with the text: the Colossians household code as hermeneutical paradigm](#)
Author: Henderson, Suzanne Watts. Source: Interpretation 60 no 4 O 2006, p 420-432. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1065
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- 7. [2 Timothy 1:3-7](#)
Author: McKenzie, Alyce M. Source: Interpretation 60 no 3 Jl 2006, p 318-320. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1065
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- 9. [1 Peter 1:13-21](#)
Author: Achtemeier, Paul J. Source: Interpretation 60 no 3 Jl 2006, p 306-308. Doc. Type: Article [Libraries Worldwide](#): 1065
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- 10. [Pride and idolatry](#)
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2. Click on the Print icon



3. Go to the next set of results and repeat steps 1 and 2 until all desired results are printed out.



Printing a Full text GIF Document

ATLAReligion can also be used to print an entire document that is a full text GIF document.

1. Write down the the page numbers of the article, in this case 72-74.
2. Select the View Full Text in GIF format (ALTLA) link for the desired document:

[Philippians 2:1-11](#)

Author: Allen, Ronald J. **Source:** Interpretation 61 no 1 Ja 2007, p 72-74. D

 [View Full Text in PDF format \(ATLA\)](#)  [View Full Text in GIF format \(ATLA\)](#)

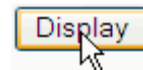
3. Click on the Display/print multiple pages link at the top of the screen next to the next button:



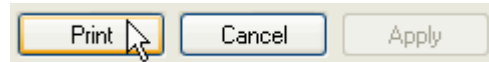
4. Enter the page numbers in the Display/print from page boxes under step 1:

Display/print from page to

5. Click on the Display button in the lower left hand corner:



6. Click on the Print Button to print the article:



7. the article will print at the circulation (front) desk and will cost 2 cents per page.

Limiting Searches

From the search results screen, it becomes apparent that ATLA can return thousands of items for any given search (ours returned over 3000). Being able to limit the search to just articles or essays would be very helpful.

ATLA provides a number of ways to limit a search. The two most common ways are by Document Type, Language, and Full text.

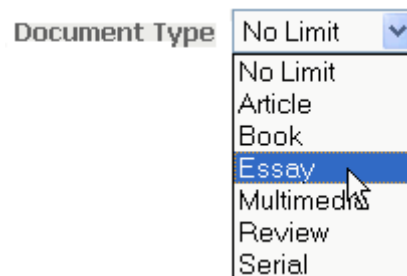
Limiting the Document Type

ATLA stores several types of documents. For example, to limit the search to essays:

1. Click on the dropdown arrow for the Document Type:



2. Select Essay from the list of document types:

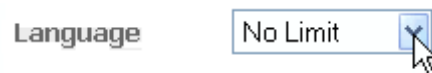


3. Click on Search to run the limited search.

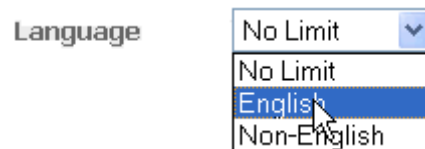
Limiting the Language

Sometimes documents will be listed that are in foreign languages, such as German. ATLA makes it possible to limit search results by language. To limit the search by language:

1. Click on the dropdown arrow for the Language box:



2. Select the language:



3. Click Search to run the search

Limiting to Full Text Documents

ATLA also allows a search to be limited to full text documents only. Full text documents can be opened, read, and printed. To limit a search to full text documents, click in the box next to the Full text option:

