

Discipleship Resources: Russian

Part 1: Bible Translations, Websites, Books, Workbooks, Videos

GETTING A BIBLE

We recommend the New Russian Translation (NRT) — [*Новый русский перевод (НРП)*]. The NRT is good for new readers. It is easier to understand, similar to the NIV in English. The most widely used version is The Synodal Translation (SYNO) — [*Синодальный перевод (СИНОД)*]. It is the traditional version, used by the Russian Orthodox Church. The SYNO uses more formal language that is harder to read and understand.

- [New Russian Translation \(NRT\) \[Новый русский перевод \(НРП\)\]](#)
The *New Russian Translation (NRT)* is an excellent option for new readers, outreach, and personal use. It was translated from the original Bible languages. (Russian only)
 - U.S.: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/0310465079/>
 - Russia: <https://ozon.ru/t/fl7Wwf0>
- [Bilingual Bible \(English- KJV/Russian- Synodal Translation\)](#)
This is a bilingual (English/Russian) study Bible. The English version is the King James Version (KJV). The Russian version is the *Synodal Translation (SYNO)*.
 - U.S.: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/1566321166/>
 - Russia: (Contact local Christian bookstore, church, or ministry organization)
- [The Synodal Translation \(SYNO\) \[Синодальный перевод \(СИНОД\)\], Large Print](#)
This is a large print version of the *Synodal Translation (SYNO)*. (Russian only)
 - U.S.: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/1862281084/>
 - Russia: (Contact local Christian bookstore, church, or ministry organization)

THE BIBLE (PHONE APPS)

The Bible is also available digitally.

- [The Bible App \(https://www.youversion.com/bible-app\)](https://www.youversion.com/bible-app)
The Bible App provides digital and audio versions of the Bible. Topical devotionals and reading plans are also available. (Available in Russian, English, and other languages)

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WEBSITES

These websites are useful for spiritual growth and cross-cultural discipleship.

- [The Bible Project](https://bibleproject.com/)
The Bible Project made short videos to summarize each of the books of the Bible.
 - English: <https://bibleproject.com/>
 - Russian: <https://bibleproject.com/Russian/>
- [Got Questions- International](https://www.gotquestions.org/international.html) (<https://www.gotquestions.org/international.html>)
This is a good source for asking spiritual questions. They provide thorough responses and biblical analysis on a variety of topics. (English, Russian, and other languages)
- [The Gospel Coalition \(TGC\) -- Евангельская Коалиция](https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/courses/)
The Gospel Coalition (TGC) offers teaching about theology and Christian living. These are helpful for small groups discussions. The Russian page has articles addressing cultural concepts through a biblical lens. (English, Russian, and other languages)
 - English: <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/courses/>
 - Russian: <https://ru.thegospelcoalition.org/article/>
- [The Story Film](https://thestoryfilm.com) (<https://thestoryfilm.com>)
This is the gospel message in a short video. (Available in many languages)
 - English: <https://thestoryfilm.com/en>
 - Russian: <https://thestoryfilm.com/ru>
- [Russian Christian Resources](https://www.russianchristianresources.com) (<https://www.russianchristianresources.com>)
This site has a compilation of many great websites and resources available for discipleship.
- [The Cross-Cultural Discipleship \(CCD\) Website](https://www.crossculturaldiscipleship.com) (<https://www.crossculturaldiscipleship.com>)
The CCD website has links to resources for bilingual teaching and cross-cultural discipleship.

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BIBLE STUDIES

These workbooks, books, and PDFs are useful for small group Bible studies and in one-on-one discipleship relationships.

- [*Firm Foundations: Creation to Christ*, by Trevor McIlwain -- Библейские основы. От сотворения мира до Христа. Книга 1. Тревор Маклуейн.](#)
Firm Foundations is an introductory Bible study that provides an overview of Scripture and Christian principles. (Available in Russian, English, and other languages. Contact Ethnos360.)
 - Digital: <https://biblestudy.ethnos360.org/collections/all-bible-studies/products/adult-chronological-bible-study-russian-version-download>
 - Printed: <https://christianrussianbook.com/bookstore/index.php/christian-russian-bibles-book-store-isbn-978-5-88181-559-8.html>
- [*The Christian Russian Book \(CRB\) Store- Resources*](#)
<https://christianrussianbook.com/bookstore/index.php/>
The CRB Store has Russian books available for Christian discipleship.

BOOKS

Here are some good, Christian books that are available in English and in Russian.

- [*The Case for Christ \[Христос под следствием\]*, by Lee Strobel](#)
A journalist set out to disprove Christian claims about Jesus, but when he examined all the facts, he concluded that the stories were true. He shares about his personal journey to find Jesus, and the evidence that points to Christianity. (Available in English and in Russian)
 - English only, U.S.: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/0310345863>
 - Russian only, Digital Copy: <https://equalibra.org/ru/book/hristos-pod-sledstviem/>
 - Russian only, Russia: <https://gracetime.ru/product/khristos-pod-slyedstviyem-li-strobel/>
- [*Love and Respect \[Любовь и уважение\]*, by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs](#)
This is a helpful resource for married couples. (Available in English and in Russian)
 - English only, U.S.: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/1591451876/>
 - Russian only, U.S.:
<https://christianrussianbook.com/bookstore/index.php/books/family/marriage/christian-russian-book-isbn-5-8445-0135-7.html>

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ESL MINISTRY

These resources are helpful for churches with ESL outreach/ministry groups.

- [Free ESL Lessons](http://debbrammer.com/english-as-a-second-language/) (<http://debbrammer.com/english-as-a-second-language/>)
These lesson plans and handouts use Bible stories to teach English.

VIDEO

The following video content is useful for teaching.

- [Genesis: Paradise Lost](https://genesismovie.com/#top) (<https://genesismovie.com/#top>)
This documentary provides scientific evidence for the 6-day creation story. The apologetics and film quality are excellent. (Russian subtitles and voice-over available)
- [The Chosen \(TV Series\)](https://www.comeandseefoundation.org/watch) (<https://www.comeandseefoundation.org/watch>)
The Chosen depicts Bible stories in an engaging and personal way that helps viewers to connect more deeply with Jesus. (Russian subtitles and audio available)