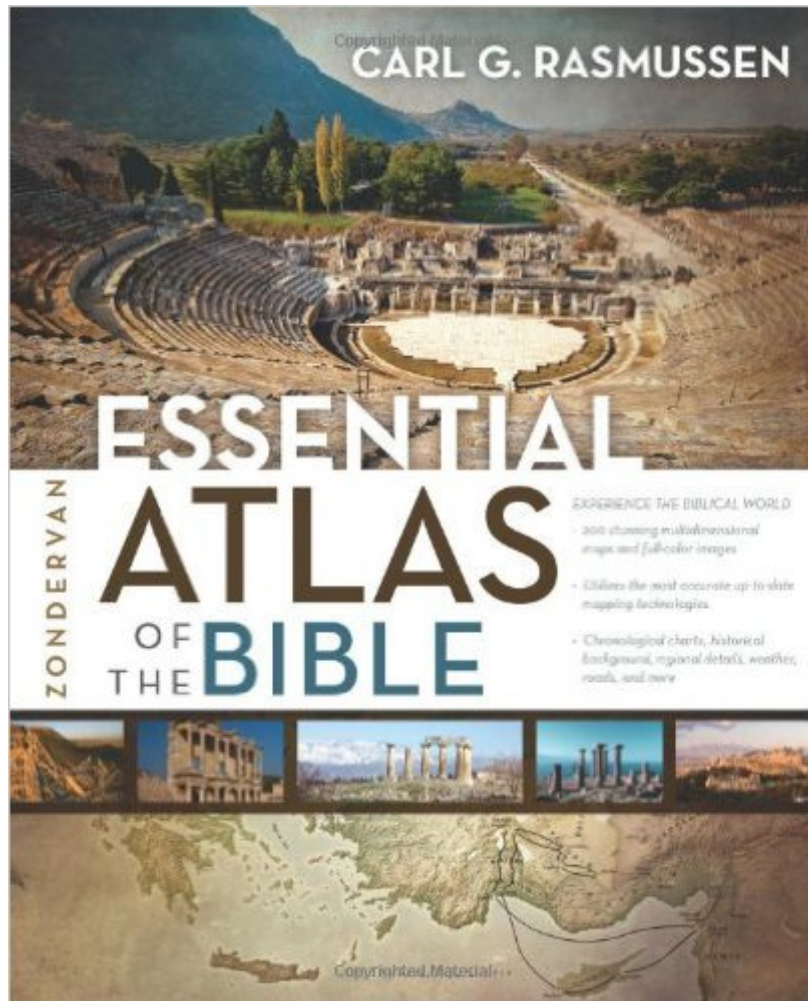


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# Zondervan Essential Atlas Of The Bible



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## Customer Reviews

You'd think an Atlas, being a "visual" aid, would be carefully edited so as to fit the "Kindle" format. You'd also think that someone at Zondervan would actually take care to check what the final digital product looks like...However the images are compressed so much that most of the information on the maps, timelines and charts is unreadable. Disappointing.

In Essential Atlas of the Bible, author Carl G. Ramsmussen's work is designed to help you better

understand the history and places of the Bible and it's world. With this easy-to-understand atlas, you'll find Bible study more engaging and comprehensible, and you'll learn the essential facts about the fascinating lands of the Bible.'The book is beautiful. It is filled with pictures, charts, and maps. It is also filled with information. The book is divided into two sections-geographical and historical. The geographical section is very short (about 30 pages) and not my favorite due to the topic, not the writing style. Although, I find the information well presented, the topic itself does not appeal to me.The second section is a different story. The historical section is packed with information that engages the reader. One is captivated by the story and able to visualize the context far better because of the photos, maps, and charts. There is a wealth of information covered from the pre-patriarchal period through the seven churches of Revelation. (The last section is specifically for Jerusalem.) Although a lot of data is given, it does not feel rushed or as if there are some huge gaps missing. There are various Bible verses throughout and even a Scripture index which is useful when you want to look up a specific Scripture pertaining to a location.My only concern with this title is on page 53 in which the author mentions some "updated" material which seemed to attempt to question the credibility of the copyists and editors thus infusing confusion as to the validity of the Biblical text.Although the actual apportionment took place during the days of Joshua and Eleazar the son of Aaron (14:1;19:51), later copyists and editors of the book of Joshua seem to have "updated" the lists of cities mentioned as belonging to the various tribes.Overall, this book is a good resource for indepth study. The back of the book states that it can be used in small group discussion, Sunday school classes, or in personal devotions, however, I look forward to using it in my homeschool setting.Disclosure of Material Connection: I received this book free from the publisher through the BookLook Bloggers book review bloggers program. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 255 : "Guides Concerning the Use of Endorsements and Testimonials in Advertising."

Zondervan's Essential Atlas of the Bible by Carl G. Rasmussen provides a plethora of brilliant and intriguing images, graphs, charts and regional attributes.This book is comprised of two sections: Geographical Section and Historical Section.The Geographical Section provides fascinating details regarding the significant geographical challenges of the Middle East.Although the Geographical section is comprised of the first 27 pages of the book there is a wealth of information regarding the terrain as well as vivid climate and rainfall charts and an agricultural calendar.The bulk of the book depicts the Historical Section of this part of the World. It begins with the Pre-Patriarchal Period and

concludes with the Seven Churches of Revelation and Jerusalem. Maps of the Israelites travels throughout the unknown and a vast deserted wilderness is captured beautifully through illustrations. The allotment of land carved out by God for the Twelve Tribes is depicted along with many other Biblically related happenings. The arrival of the Greeks who thwarted Persian supremacy and the Maccabean revolt are just some of the other articles that are laid out for the reader to delve into. I enjoy reading Historical information from Biblical times and places and this Atlas surpassed my expectations including the Scripture and a Subject Index to be able to reference the Bible to. The attention to detail and impeccable photographs makes this atlas an invaluable addition to any library.

The Zondervan Essential Atlas of the Bible by Carl G. Rasmussen (2013) is a small (159 pages) yet very dense, visually impressive, and user friendly Bible atlas. The book is divided between a 'Geographical' section, and a 'Historical' section and contains 200 multidimensional maps and full color images, uses modern mapping technologies, and is full of chronological charts, background information, and much more. Essential Atlas is an excellent tool for both personal study of scripture and for preaching and teaching. For preachers who like to paint a picture of the geographical and historical contexts of the scripture they are unpacking, this would be a great resource. At the back of the atlas there is both a scripture and a subject index which adds to the ease of use and its value for teaching and preaching. The photos used throughout the atlas are excellent and incredibly interesting. For those of us who have never travelled overseas, and may not get to, these pictures give us a glimpse into the places we've only read about in the Bible. The great number of maps are also very helpful in giving a visual of the battles, borders, and journeys we find in scripture. I would definitely recommend the Zondervan Essential Atlas of the Bible as a useful reference tool for anyone who is serious about digging deeper into the world we imagine in our minds eye as we read or hear scripture read. This book will definitely enhance your study of scripture and understanding of its history and cultural context. Disclosure of Material Connection: I received this book free from the publisher through the BookLook Bloggers book review bloggers program. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 255.

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