

# Commentary Samples in Chicago Style

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## Introduction

This short guide shows how to cite all of the commentaries in our collection, and we included a sample from each commentary set. Most commentaries (with the exception of the *New Expositor's Bible Commentary* and the *New Interpreter's Bible Commentary*) are cited as books in a series. It is helpful to include the commentary series in your citations; it allows both you and your professor to find the source easily.

## About Chicago Style

We have a Chicago Style Guide available for your use. The guide is available online at <http://library.nwciowa.edu>; click the Citing, Writing & Research link, then click Citing Sources. There are also copies behind the circulation desk in Ramaker Library.

## About NoodleTools

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## Special Notes

- The publisher should be included exactly as it's written on the title page. You can omit the beginning *The*; for example, write "University of Pittsburgh Press" rather than "The University of Pittsburgh Press." You can also omit all business abbreviations such as *Co.*, *Corp.*, *Inc.*, etc.
- The publication city should include the two-letter abbreviation for the state **if** the city is not well-known. Major cities such as Chicago, New York, Detroit and the like do not need state information.
- While you can include information on editors or translators, it is not necessary to do so. However, if there is no individual author, you must include the editor. (*Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture* requires an editor.)

<b>Commentary</b>	<b>Cite as a...</b>	<b>Footnote/Endnote</b>	<b>Bibliography</b>
<b>Anchor Bible / Anchor Yale Bible</b>	Book in a series	1. Joseph A. Fitzmyer, <i>First Corinthians</i> , The Anchor Yale Bible (New Haven, CT: Yale University Press, 2008), 38-40.	Fitzmyer, Joseph A. <i>First Corinthians</i> . The Anchor Yale Bible. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press, 2008.
<b>NOTE:</b> Pay attention to what's on the spine or the title page to determine whether it is Anchor or Anchor Yale.			
<b>Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture</b>	Book in a series	1. William C. Weinrich, ed. <i>Revelation</i> , Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture, New Testament (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2005), 84-94.	Weinrich, William C., ed. <i>Revelation</i> . Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture, New Testament. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2005.
<b>NOTE:</b> In this series, books have editors, not authors.			
<b>Bible Speaks Today</b>	Book in a series	1. Derek Kidner, <i>The Message of Ecclesiastes</i> , The Bible Speaks Today (Leicester, England: Inter-Varsity Press, 1976), 62-89.	Kidner, Derek. <i>The Message of Ecclesiastes</i> . The Bible Speaks Today. Leicester, England: Inter-Varsity Press, 1976.
<b>Brazos Theological Commentary on the Bible</b>	Book in a series	1. Telford Work, <i>Deuteronomy</i> , Brazos Theological Commentary on the Bible (Grand Rapids, MI: Brazos Press, 2009), 51-59.	Work, Telford. <i>Deuteronomy</i> . Brazos Theological Commentary on the Bible. Grand Rapids, MI: Brazos Press, 2009.
<b>Calvin's Commentaries (New Testament)</b>	Book in a series	1. John Calvin, <i>The Epistles of Paul the Apostle to the Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians</i> , Calvin's Commentaries (Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1996), 111-129.	Calvin, John. <i>The Epistles of Paul the Apostle to the Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians</i> . Calvin's Commentaries. Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1996.
<b>Calvin's Commentaries (Old Testament)</b>	Book in a series	1. John Calvin, <i>Commentary on the Book of Psalms</i> , Calvin's Commentaries (Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1949), 5:47.	Calvin, John. <i>Commentary on the Book of Psalms</i> . Vol. 5. Calvin's Commentaries. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1949.
<b>NOTE:</b> Many books have multiple volumes; in this example, we're citing one of the five volumes on the Psalms.			

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<b>Expositor's Bible Commentary</b>	Chapter in a book / Short work in an anthology	1. W. Harold Mare, "1 Corinthians," in <i>The Expositor's Bible Commentary</i> (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 1976), 10:65-69.	Mare, W. Harold. "1 Corinthians." In <i>The Expositor's Bible Commentary</i> , 173-297. Vol. 10. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 1976.
<b>Interpretation</b>	Book in a series	1. Dennis T. Olson, <i>Numbers, Interpretation</i> (Louisville, KY: John Knox Press, 1996), 25.	Olson, Dennis T. <i>Numbers</i> . Interpretation. Louisville, KY: John Knox Press, 1996.
<b>New Cambridge Bible Commentary</b>	Book in a series	1. Bill T. Arnold, <i>Genesis</i> , New Cambridge Bible Commentary (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2009), 122.	Arnold, Bill T. <i>Genesis</i> . New Cambridge Bible Commentary. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2009.
<b>New International Commentary on the New Testament</b>	Book in a series	1. Joel B. Green, <i>The Gospel of Luke</i> , The New International Commentary on the New Testament (Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1997), 75.	Green, Joel B. <i>The Gospel of Luke</i> . The New International Commentary on the New Testament. Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1997.
<b>New International Commentary on the Old Testament</b>	Book in a series	1. Bruce K. Waltke, <i>The Book of Proverbs: Chapters 1-15</i> , The New International Commentary on the Old Testament (Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2004), 73-75.	Waltke, Bruce K. <i>The Book of Proverbs: Chapters 1-15</i> . The New International Commentary on the Old Testament. Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2004.
<b>New International Greek Testament Commentary</b>	Book in a series	1. Paul Ellingworth, <i>The Epistle to the Hebrews</i> , The New International Greek Testament Commentary (Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2000), 119-120.	Ellingworth, Paul. <i>The Epistle to the Hebrews</i> . The New International Greek Testament Commentary. Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2000.

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<b>New Interpreter's Bible</b>	Chapter in a book / Short work in an anthology	1. Kathleen A. Robertson Farmer, "The Book of Ruth," in <i>The New Interpreter's Bible</i> (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1998), 2:890.	Robertson Farmer, Kathleen A. "The Book of Ruth." In <i>The New Interpreter's Bible</i> , 889-946. Vol. 2. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1998.
<b>Old Testament Library</b>	Book in a series	1. Joseph Blenkinsopp, <i>Ezra-Nehemiah</i> , The Old Testament Library (Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1988), 100.	Blenkinsopp, Joseph. <i>Ezra-Nehemiah</i> . The Old Testament Library. Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1988.
<b>Tyndale New Testament Commentaries</b>	Book in a series	1. R. Alan Cole, <i>Galatians</i> , Tyndale New Testament Commentaries (Downers Grove, IL: Inter-Varsity Press, 2008), 125-128.	Cole, R. Alan. <i>Galatians</i> . Tyndale New Testament Commentaries. Downers Grove, IL: Inter-Varsity Press, 2008.
<b>Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries</b>	Book in a series	1. R. K. Harrison, <i>Jeremiah and Lamentations</i> , The Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries (Downers Grove, IL: Inter-Varsity Press, 1973), 64.	Harrison, R. K. <i>Jeremiah and Lamentations</i> . The Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries. Downers Grove, IL: Inter-Varsity Press, 1973.
<b>Word Biblical Commentary</b>	Book in a series	1. Gerald L. Keown, Pamela J. Scalise, and Thomas G. Smothers, <i>Jeremiah 26-52</i> , Word Biblical Commentary (Dallas: Word Books, 1995), 145-146.	Keown, Gerald L., Pamela J. Scalise, and Thomas G. Smothers. <i>Jeremiah 26-52</i> . Word Biblical Commentary. Dallas: Word Books, 1995.