

Lighthouse Bible Software

An interactive Malayalam Bible Software



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User's Manual

Major Features:

- **Parallel Bibles in English/Malayalam/Hindi/Tamil**
- **Word Search**
- **Maps and charts**
- **Torrey's Topical Study Notes**
- **Mathew Henry Commentary**
- **Easton Bible Dictionary**
- **Extras + Mp3 songs**
- **Internet Resources: Sermons and Songs**
- **Lyrics of 373 Malayam and English songs**
- **LCD Projector Version**

Welcome to the interactive *Lighthouse Bible Software* “തിരുവചനം”. Please go through the following pages to know ‘what is?’ , ‘for whom is?’ and ‘how to use?’ this very useful software.

1. Lighthouse Bible Software – The First Interactive Malayalam Bible Software.

The Malayalam language is very rich with variety of literature and Keralites are so privileged to have the word of God in their own mother tongue. Though there has been a number of bible softwares available in English and other languages, it looks there wasn't much attempt to have an interactive Malayalam software so far. This was the main motivation for the development of *Lighthouse Bible Software*.

2. Lighthouse Bible software – Useful for people speaking Malayalam/Hindi/ Tamil and English.

The software is mainly for malayalm speaking people who know working knowledge of English language. Majority of the missionary workers in India are from Kerala and Tamil Nadu working among Hindi speaking people. This inspired to add Hindi and Tamil along with Malayalam in this package. The software displays bibles in Malayalam, Hindi, Tamil parallel along with two English Bible versions , namely, King James Version and American Standard Version. *Bible students, teachers and preachers will find this package very useful for*

preparation of sermons, topical studies and teaching materials etc. .

3. What are there in Lighthouse Bible Software?

The main contents of the software are listed below:

A. BIBLES

1. Malayalam Bible
2. Hindi Bible
3. Tamil Bible
4. English Bible – KJV
5. English Bible – ASV.

B. COMMENTARY : Mathew Henry's Full Commentary.

C. DICTIONARY : Easton Bible Dictionary.

D. TOPICAL STUDY RESOURCES

- i. Torrey's Topical Text Book
- ii. Malayalam Study Topics which are hyperlinked in the bible text.

E. MAPS and CHARTS

Many colorful maps of Israel, Jerusalem, Palestine, World (in the context of Bible times) etc are given. Also maps of the journeys of St. Paul, Places in India where St Thomas preached Jesus are also provided.

F. EXTRAS.

1. A list of Study topics and study materials are provided.
2. A list giving meanings of various names of people and places in Bible is provided.
3. The lyrics of many songs (Malayalam and English)are added to the package.
4. The Pilgrim's Progress--Part 1 & 2.
5. Audio (songs in MP3 format)
6. *User can add a lot (see instructions below how to add materials to this package)*

G. INTERNET RESOURCES

If your computer is connected to the internet the following materials are linked to this package.

1. A brief Study of all 66 books in the New Testament and Old Testament.
2. A collection of beautiful Illustrations are provided, which will be useful for Preachers and Sunday School Teachers.
3. Audio Bible .
4. Malayalam /Hindi /Tamil Songs (Real audio)
5. Very useful Christian Links.
6. Malayalam/English/Hindi Sermons and Testimonies (Audio in MP3 format and Real Audio format).

H. Special Features of the Software

1. Bibles can be viewed side by side – works as a parallel Bible in four languages.
2. **Search** of words in any language is possible. Select the word for search using mouse (the selected word becomes highlighted), then click on search in the Menu bar. A list of bibles appear and select in which

Bible you are searching the highlighted word. At the mouse click the search results appear in a separate window displaying the total number of appearance of the word and the verses along with the references. If you click on the reference, the lighthouse main software automatically goes to that reference for all bibles. If you want to get a printout of the search results, there is a printer-friendly version for getting printout. Search can also be done by typing the search word in the search form in the search window. The search has also features like search from a particular book or collection of books or New Testament and Old Testament.

3. **Topical Study:** In Bible Text some words or phrases show a hyperlink. If you mouse click those words or highlight (select) those words and click Topic icon in the menu bar you get study materials on those topics.
4. **Projector Version Bible:** If you want to project the verses on a screen using LCD projector, there is a projector version of Bible in the package at the mouse click on **Verse Projector** icon in the menu bar. This works for a dual monitor computer much efficiently.
5. **Font size :** There are a facilities of viewing the bible passages in different fonts sizes like small, medium, large and very large. Go to **view** in the menu bar and select **font size**
6. The index of books in Bible can be made visible or hidden by using the index icon. This also be done from the view icon in the menu bar. Similarly the user-created Notes and Concordances (displayed at the bottom of the window) can be made visible or hidden by clicking on Notes icon in the menu bar or through the view in the menu bar.
7. If you want to turn the software to a particular reference, type in the reference in the **go to verse** form. This can also be done easily by selecting the book, chapter and verse from the index displayed at the extreme left columns of the software window.
8. **Selecting a Bible:** By default two bibles, namely ASV and Malayalam are displayed side by side. To select another bible, say Hindi or Tamil or KJV, click on the icons HIN, TML, KJV etc. When a bible is displayed the language in index will also change into that language. If you want to close a bible click the same bible icon again. Selection and deselection of a bible version can also be done through the view in the menu bar.
9. **Commentary, Dictionary, Topics and Extras:** Click on the corresponding icon in the menubar.
10. **Printing a Bible Passage:** To print a bible passage select the text to be printed and go to File in the menu bar. From File click on Print selection to get the print out. One can also copy and paste text selected in to a word document and get the print out from word document in any desired format. If the text is not displaying in the desired language(script) in the word document, then select the right font like : Malayalam – MAL-Vasanam, Tamil – TML- vasanam, Hindi- HND Premjyoti.

I. ADD ONS (a very powerful feature of the software)

a) Users can enrich the software by adding their own notes, topical studies etc.

At each verse there is a blank window at the left corner of the main window. One can type any number of lines there and the software saves it automatically for future use.

b) Make any html file (including sounds, images and texts in any fonts and colors) and save it in the **Topics** folder. Now edit the file **bibletopics.txt** by adding the topic's name (a word from bible text in any font – the character will appear different in the text editor) in a newline and after tab give the html file name for the topic. When you do this the word will appear as a hyperlink. At the mouse click the html file will be displayed. Make sure to save the changes in the topics.txt file. Other extra materials (html files) can be added to the extras folder and make a link in the index file in the extras folder.

NB: Please help us to improve and enrich this package by sending a) corrections in the bible texts, if any, b) good suggestions and c) by adding new topical studies and links. In the present version, Hindi and Tamil bibles are not complete and some corrections and additions are required. All your suggestions and comments are welcome for a better future version.

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Installation of the software.

1. Unzip the Folder.
2. Double click the file: Lighthouse_setup.exe.
3. When prompted for password, open the file named 'password.html' and enter the password.

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