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"BUT THE WORD OF GOD IS NOT BOUND" 2 TIMOTHY 2:9

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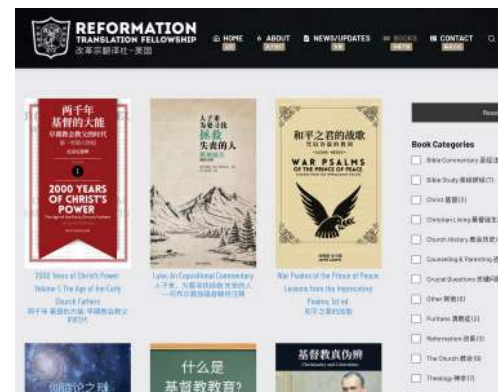
The new website has received a lot of attention in recent weeks. A high number of visits has affirmed the importance of the site in our effort to provide digital volumes for download anywhere in the world.

The new layout has proven to be a great help to the ministry of RTF. We now are able to present our large library of books through a more user-friendly menu with new ways to sort and view. In addition, a new drop-down menu for our various language offerings is under construction to improve the sorting of our books. Readers will be able to find Chinese, Urdu, Hindi, and Spanish pages when the work is completed. As we are able, fully translated pages for each language are a possibility in the near future.

A "News/Update" page allows us to communicate noteworthy items to our readers in the interim period between

the quarterly Newsletters. The new site also allows us to post audio and video content. Audio books are coming soon!

Our current book offerings on the website have risen to 97 volumes, all available for free download. Many of our titles are the result of your input. Go to our "Contact" page and leave your comments on our work!



The Books Page at www.rtf-usa.com

LUKE, RC SPROUL

A new addition to our library of Bible commentaries has arrived at the end of 2022. Added to Acts and Romans, RTF-USA is pleased to complete RC Sproul's 600 page expositional commentary on Luke.



Luke - An Expositional Commentary by RC Sproul

Dr. Sproul's commentaries have received praise from many within the Reformed community. They provide a doctrinally sound yet practical resource for all. It is our hope that this commentary will be a great blessing to Chinese readers and one of our most popular titles offered at www.rtf-usa.com. This volume has now been posted online and will be published in the US. Please contact us if you would like to receive a free copy for yourself, your church, or your school.

FINAL NEW BOOKS FOR 2022

Several new books are scheduled for completion sometime before the end of the year. The RTF-USA team is busy with final preparations to complete our 2022 book list by the end of December. A total of twelve translators are working on our Chinese titles, with two more coming into the family in 2023.

As RTF-USA has informed our readers in recent editions of the Newsletter, our inability to publish physical books in China has not slowed our translation work in any way. In fact, we are working harder to supply the needs through other means! We've shifted finances over to the funding of translation work rather than physical publishing and we've spread out our focus to expand into new languages. We've also reworked the website to handle the higher digital load that is currently in need. As has always proven to be true, the gospel is never truly hindered in times of trial and suffering. Surely, the RTF-USA motto is forever true: "The Word of God is not bound!"

The increased activity on our website has proven that our efforts are still helpful, despite the loss of physical publishing. Whenever a new book is uploaded, we notice an immediate response. Our readers around the world are able to receive these volumes even in difficult and uncertain times.

A recent addition to the site is a good example. *War Psalms of the Prince of Peace* (James E. Adams) was recently uploaded, resulting in 250 page views within days. Solid Reformed books are finding their way into the hands of Christians around the world. Please pray for our work and pray for the completion of these titles.

EXPECTED YEAR-END TITLES INCLUDE:

- Bringing the Gospel to Covenant Children by Joel Beeke
- Stop Loving the World by William Greenhill
- Love to Christ, The Piety of Robert Murray M'Cheyne by Jordan Stone
- The Apostolic Church by Charles Witherow
- What Does it Mean That God is Sovereign? by RC Sproul
- What is the Gospel? by RC Sproul
- Proverbs by Charles Bridges
- A Theology of Christian Counseling by Jay Adams

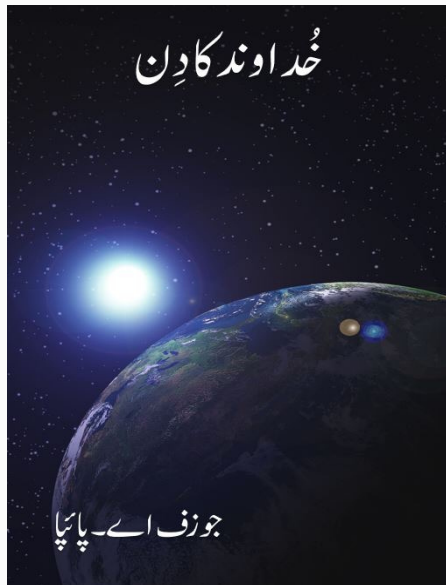


Book covers for some of the upcoming titles in 2022

URDU UPDATE

The partnership between RTF-USA and the Urdu Center for Reformed Theology (UCRT) has born much fruit throughout 2022. *The Lord's Day* by Joey Pipa is now currently at the press, with 2000 copies in progress. The new cover design is below. A link on our website provides access to www.ucrt.org.

Please pray for these efforts to bring Reformed books to Urdu churches. Your contributions made this publication possible, the first book on the Lord's Day published in the Urdu language!



The Lord's Day by Joey Pipa

NEW HINDI BOOKS IN PROGRESS

There are few Reformed resources available to the 572 million people worldwide who speak Hindi as their mother tongue. In mid-2022, RTF-USA embarked upon an exploratory effort to provide resources for this portion of the underserved church. In particular, we desired to translate and publish Reformed books for the spreading of the gospel and the edification of the church.

This startup project was no easy task! Our first challenge was to find faithful translators and then to consider the needed funds for such a vast project. After all, RTF-USA is a small ministry with limited resources to attempt such a leap of faith. Throughout these events, we have always been convinced of the importance of our work. Because our efforts have been blessed in China for so long, all signs have pointed to our future success in other languages. As we considered how to allocate our funds in a time when Chinese publication had been postponed, our prayers were quickly answered! Within days, the Lord providentially gave us three translators in three different cities in northern India. These translators have now been assigned books and plans are in place for publication in 2023. Truly, this was more than we ever could have expected for

2022 IN MEMORIAM:
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BOOKS NEEDED IN JAPAN

Modern Japanese culture has little to do with Christianity in any form. Estimates list Christians as 0.8% of the population. Japan is a vast mission field in desperate need of solid Reformed books for the benefit of the church and to proclaim the gospel. It is our desire to help with this urgent need to provide solid books for the church. By our estimate, there are only about 40 Reformed books published in Japanese.

To help with this need, several churches have asked for help in some upcoming publishing projects to provide much-needed resources. A partnership with these churches would be a great way for RTF-USA to supply books to these Christians in need of Reformed books.

Please pray for these new connections and for RTF-USA as we assess the needs in Japan. Also, please consider how you might support this work if RTF-USA is able to make the needed connections.

such a new ministry to a new language.

The Hindi project has also opened up new opportunities to connect with local churches, seminaries, and even to partner with other ministries in their outreach to the Hindi language. A vast mission field stands to gain many blessings through our small efforts.

RTF-USA labors to help the church in all things connected to our love for Reformed theology. In doing so, we believe in starting with the basics: How to form a church, how to glorify God, and how to understand the gospel as presented in God's Word. It is our expectation that Christ will bless these efforts to glorify his name through our publishing work. We start our Hindi outreach with these helpful books:

TRANSLATIONS NOW IN PROGRESS:

- The Apostolic Church* by Thomas Witherow
- The Ruling Elder* by Samuel Miller
- The Lord's Day* by Joey Pipa

PRAYER:

For the stamina of our translators
For conversions and spiritual growth
For local input on the needed books
For connections to local churches
For a local publisher for our books

COMMENTARY PROJECT NEWS

As we have observed the popularity of Bible commentaries at www.rtf-usa.com, the door is open to expand upon our goal of providing a Chinese translation of a commentary on every book of the Bible. We can now consider applying this energy to other languages under the umbrella of our ministry. With so few resources available for the Urdu, Hindi, and Japanese churches, many opportunities exist for filling these needs in a number of underserved languages.

RTF-USA is excited to embark on several large multi-year projects as we plan for the future. The Lord has faithfully sustained our ministry for 75 years and we are confident in looking forward to the years ahead. To complete a full set of Bible Commentaries in a particular language could take upwards of 20 years!

Please help us with this goal. Pray that we would be able to find additional translators in a variety of languages and that our funds would continue to sustain the work ahead. Can you help support a commentary on a book of the Bible?

WAYS TO HELP

Please consider how you or your church might help RTF-USA in our translation work. Many might consider how to add RTF-USA to their outreach budgets for 2023 and beyond. How can your group get involved?

Would you like to receive more copies of *The Newsletter*? Just contact us and they'll be mailed to you. They serve well as bulletin inserts each quarter and this would be a great help to us in getting the news out to as many people as possible. Overall, the quarterly *Newsletters* help to bring in most of our donations throughout the year. Please consider linking our website to your church site.

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