Welcome to REL 131, a collaborative project organized into four pages (Student demonstration; Examples of catalog records; Search tips; Selected search terms) designed by your professor and the library as a guide to library resources appropriate for your REL 131 assignment.

Contents: I. Student demonstration; Examples of catalog records; II. Search tips; III. REL 131 Selected search terms for Name of Jesus Project

I. Student Demonstration

Theological Reference Books:

1. How do I use the inside title page verso (left or reverse side) or the CUNE library catalog at http://www.cune.edu/library > Search the catalog > Advanced search to identify an appropriate subject heading? How do I create a list and email the link to myself?

Demonstration example – see screencast at http://tinyurl.com/99s9vuh (view transcript): Search by subject: bible dictionaries; bible n t [name of book] commentaries

Click on a record, then Add to list – you'll be asked to create a free account. Click on each record you want to add the list. When you've finished, click on your account name > name of your list > bookmark > email to send a link that links to your list.

What other library catalog search features can I use? (See http://www.cune.edu/library > Search the catalog > WorldCat Help (upper left corner or lower left corner of screen)

CUNE library catalog operators: * = truncation # or ?N = wildcard " " = phrase search ( ) = nesting
au: , ti: , su: = field searching AND, OR, NOT = intersection, union, exclusion

Example: keyword: “son of man” AND (interpret* OR teach* OR doctrin* OR criticism) = ___ results

* is the symbol for truncation: interpret* = interprets, interpreter, interpreted, interpreting, interpretation, ...

2. How do I evaluate resources to determine their value for the assignment? Give an example using the reference books listed below. Example: Compare currency, scope, audience, and point of view for Son of Man entry in:

International standard Bible encyclopedia REF 220.3 In8 1979 4vol.
Interpreter’s dictionary of the Bible REF 220.3 In8d 4vol.
New interpreter’s dictionary of the Bible REF 220.3 N42 5vol.
Anchor Bible dictionary REF 220.3 A21 6vol.
Zondervan encyclopedia of the Bible REF 220.3 Z75e 2009 5vol
Baker encyclopedia of the Bible REF 220.3 B178 2vol.
HarperCollins Bible dictionary REF 220.3 H234 1996
Wycliffe Bible encyclopedia REF 220.3 W972 2vol.

3. You can find examples of citation formatting styles in the CUNE library catalog – click on a title, click on “Cite/Export,” then use copy and paste. Or, click here or http://tinyurl.com/6d8yp3k for “Cite this item” example from WorldCat at http://www.cune.edu/librarydatabases > FristSearch > WorldCat.
4. Q: Where can I search for refereed / peer reviewed / scholarly articles on my topic, and how do I search effectively?

A: Visit http://tinyurl.com/3v27ktf (adjust speakers for audio; view transcript) to view a screencast of effective ATLAS database searching in four steps:

1. Identify concepts in your research question;
2. List synonyms for the concepts;
3. Create a preliminary search;
4. Interact with the search results to revise your search.

Visit http://www.cune.edu/librarydatabases to choose an appropriate database such as ATLAS (theology).

- See also http://www.cune.edu/staffweb/tom.krenzke/ATLASResearchLog.pdf.

5. Other questions I have regarding searching for information for this assignment....