Dictionaries and encyclopedias

Multi-purpose. For example,

- Oxford encyclopedias of the Bible. Major multi-volume encyclopedia appearing piecemeal in Oxford Biblical Studies Online, and as the following series of specialized two-volume encyclopedias (listed also in place below).


Dedicated. For example, Dictionaries and encyclopedias of biblical theology and ethics. For example,


• “approximately 2000 articles which are theological rather than factual in emphasis. . . . similar in tone to Hartman (B0181). See also Bauer (B0131) and Leon-Dufour (B0192)”, the latter two being dictionaries of biblical theology (Gorman & Gorman).

Dictionaries and encyclopedias of biblical units. For example,


Dictionaries and encyclopedias of Judaica (for more, see the handout entitled “Works of reference on the non-Christian religions”):

- Encyclopedia of Judaica

Dictionaries and encyclopedias of Bible background. For example,


Dictionaries and encyclopedias of Old Testament background: see also under Dictionaries and encyclopedias of the Ancient Near East and the Greco-Roman world, below

Dictionaries and encyclopedias of New Testament background. For example,


Classics. For example (not even close to exhaustive!),

Dictionaries and encyclopedias on specific topics. For example,


Dictionaries and encyclopedias of biblical interpretation &/ reception. For example,


Dictionaries and encyclopedias of the Ancient Near East and the Greco-Roman world.

For example,
• UCLA Encyclopedia of Egyptology.

For more specialized help in this area and the area immediately below, ask for the handouts in progress on Assyriology, Classics, Egyptology, Hittitology, Late antiquity, and so forth.

Dictionaries and encyclopedias of Biblical, Ancient Near Eastern, or classical archaeology.  For example,