

November 17, 2004

**GREETINGS FROM
SOUTHWEST COLLEGE
OF BIBLICAL STUDIES.**

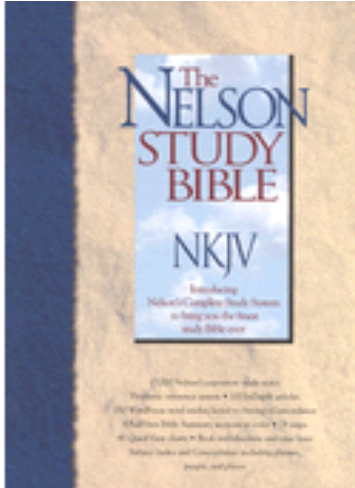
As always, it is a privilege to minister to the academic needs of prison inmates. Liz & I send our warmest love & greetings to you during this exciting time to be alive to serve the Lord.



PRAY FOR US. We need additional income since Liz's job was terminated in September. Gifts for us can be made out to Missionary Gospel Fellowship (MGF) & designated for Project #89 (Prison Bible College). Those gifts can be sent to MGF, P.O. Box 1535, Turlock, CA 95380. Thanks for your on-going prayer support, and your financial help.

EXCITING NEWS. One of our students has completed his Bachelor's Degree in Biblical Studies. His name is John & he is in a prison in Northern California. He has been one of our students since 1990. What a testimony this man has! He was on death row in California for his specific crimes. When the death penalty was overturned for a time, John was reassigned to life in prison. His goals at that time were to win his family for the Lord, to diligently study God's Word, and to teach others how to study the Bible & grow in their faith. His family knows the Lord now and he has definitely been faithful in studying the truths of God's Word. Liz & I are hoping to travel to John's

prison, conduct a graduation ceremony, personally hand him his diploma, and then give him the biggest hug I have. Pray that we will be able to do this.



A GREAT OPPORTUNITY. When our students are in the middle of our Bible study methods courses, they are not permitted to use study helps unless those helps are part of the assignment. They are to dig out the truths of God's Word on their own using the methods that I teach them. You should see what happens. They

fall in love with God's Word and want to know more & more. Most of them have very simple Bibles, many times received from a shelf in the prison chapel. Eventually, they want a Bible that has more helps in it because they are now studying more deeply. I usually recommend *The Nelson Study Bible – NKJV* (Pictured to the left). I cannot provide them free but I can order them if they so request. They cost \$30 from Christian Book Discounters (CBD). Some students have the funds to purchase one from me. Many do not. If you would like to help a student get a study Bible, send \$30 to our office, attach a post-it designated "Study Bible" on the check. Make check out to SCBS & send to Southwest College of Biblical Studies, P.O. Box 911, Pine Valley, CA 91962.

I know this letter seems to concentrate on requesting money, but these are the needs at the moment. God's people cannot step to the plate when they do not know the needs. Also, continue to pray for us. We are in enemy

territory. The devil does not want any of us to grow nor to love God's Word. Let's stand up against him through the compassion that only Jesus can give.

**Talk to you soon.
Bruce & Liz Leary**