Religion and Ethics:

A Match Made in Heaven

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**Tools to help dig for deeper meaning in religious texts**

[*http://biblegateway.com*](http://biblegateway.com) has many different tools available to help search the meaning of different Scripture passages. While the amount of help will vary with the passage, you can find many different study Bibles, versions of the Bible, commentaries, and Bible encyclopedias.

Another site with commentaries and other great Biblical helps is Bible Hub. They have topical, Greek and Hebrew study tools, plus concordances, commentaries, dictionaries, sermons and devotionals. Check out [*http://biblehub.com*](http://biblehub.com) for some great help.

As strange as it may seem, the Dictionary is an excellent tool as you study the Bible. Sometimes words which we think we know and understand in a religious context may have truly different meanings. [*http://dictionary.reference.com/*](http://dictionary.reference.com/) is one of our favorite sites. Another dictionary site that may be helpful is [*http://www.merriam-webster.com/*](http://www.merriam-webster.com/)

As you set up your Biblical stories in space, it might help to understand the geography of the Bible. A very cool site for Bible maps is [*http://generationword.com/resources.html*](http://generationword.com/resources.html)Scroll down the page to see links to Old Testament maps, New Testament maps, and Charts and Diagrams.

There are two sites that include videos of ASL Bibles and a few more items that would be helpful in language growth: [*http://deafmissions.com*](http://deafmissions.com) and [*http://www.bible.is/deaf/ASESLV/Matt/1*](http://www.bible.is/deaf/ASESLV/Matt/1) If all else fails, these sources might give you a few ideas on how to interpret some difficult passages.

If you are need help understanding faith from a Jewish Perspective, Chabad has some excellent resources. [*http://www.chabad.org/multimedia/media\_cdo/aid/1013709/jewish/Jewish-Videos-for-the-Deaf-Community.htm*](http://www.chabad.org/multimedia/media_cdo/aid/1013709/jewish/Jewish-Videos-for-the-Deaf-Community.htm) They have videos that cover a whole range of Jewish principles.

The following YouTube video explains some of the terms used in Islam and how those terms might be interpreted. [*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ne7\_n-VQRFw*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ne7_n-VQRFw)

Another site that could be used to find out more about Islam and their work with the deaf would be found at [*http://globaldeafmuslim.org/*](http://globaldeafmuslim.org/)Part of their goal is to develop an ASL version of the Quran.

The Jehovah’s Witness website has multiple ASL resources: [*http://www.jw.org/ase/*](http://www.jw.org/ase/)

The Church of Latter Day Saints is also involved in working with the Deaf: [*https://www.lds.org/languages/ase?lang=eng*](https://www.lds.org/languages/ase?lang=eng)