

Using ATLA Religion with ATLASerials

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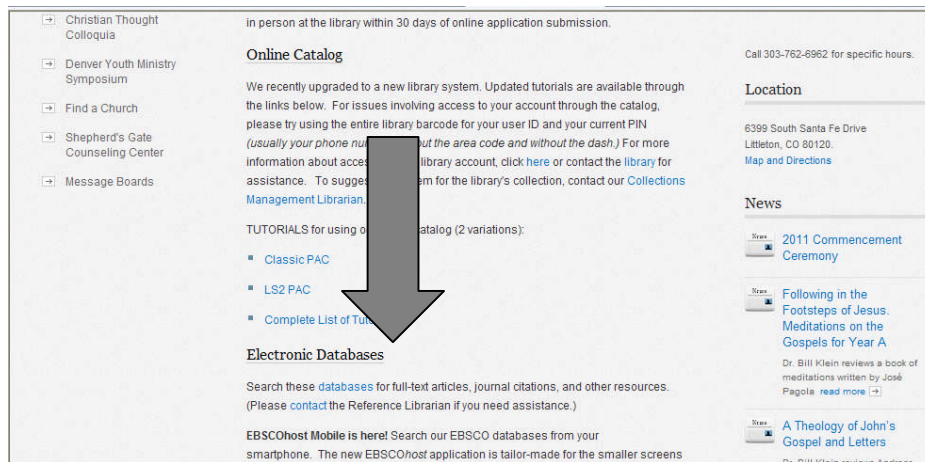
Searching ATLA Religion with ATLASerials

ATLA Religion with ATLASerials, or ATLA, is a comprehensive database that spans over 50 years. It is used to find and access journal articles, book reviews, and essays.

Searching using ATLA

To Access ATLA:

1. Clicking on **Library** on the Seminary's homepage and then clicking on the **Electronic Databases** link:



2. Click on the **ATLA Religion with ATLASerials Link**

Databases

The following databases are available for searching in the library. Most are available online; some are on CD-ROMs. If you desire off campus access and are a member of the Seminary community or a graduate of Denver Seminary, [contact](#) [contact](#) the Reference Librarian. (Note: Denver Seminary students, faculty and staff may request articles that are not available online through interlibrary loan. Please use the [ILL request form](#).)

IMPORTANT UPDATE: If you search our databases remotely, please note that some of the databases have recently switched from the FirstSearch platform to the EBSCOhost platform. Authenticator usernames and passwords correspond to each specific platform so EBSCOhost authentication must now be used for databases that were previously on the FirstSearch platform. Please [contact](#) [contact](#) the Reference Librarian if you need assistance.

Electronic Databases

[Academic Search Premier](#)

Provides full text for more than 5,460 scholarly publications covering academic areas of study including social sciences, humanities, education, computer sciences, engineering, language and linguistics, arts & literature, medical sciences, and ethnic studies. This database is updated on a daily basis. Part of the EBSCOhost package

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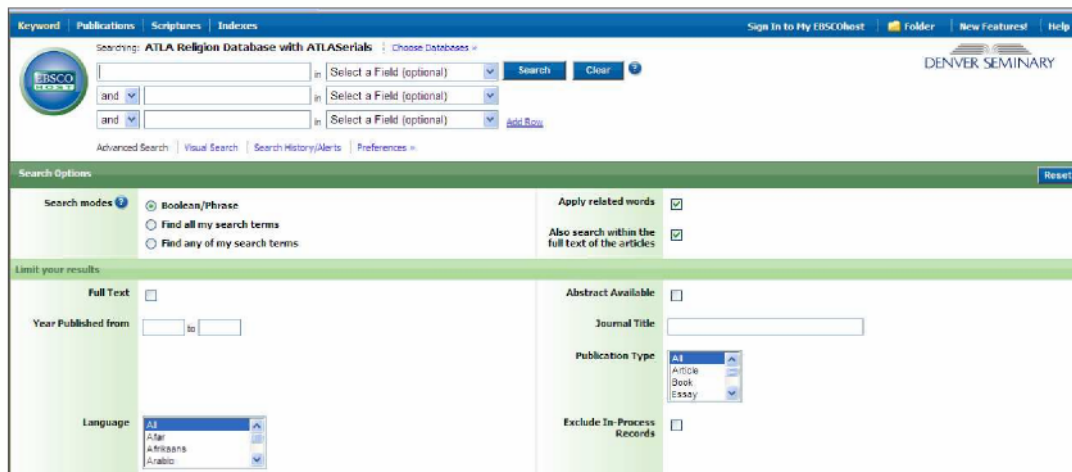
*ATLA Religion Database with ATLASerials combines the premier index to journal articles, book reviews, and collections of essays in all fields of religion with ATLA's online collection of major religion and theology journals. The ATLA Religion



3. If necessary, enter the Seminary’s EBSCO user id and password to access the database. (If you do not have the user id and password, contact the [library](#) for this information.) When accessing the databases from the library, you will not normally be required to enter user id or password.



4. The following search screen appears:



This screen allows the following search options to be used:

- a. Single or multiple criteria to be used to search the database
- b. The search results can be limited to reduce the number of items found in the search results

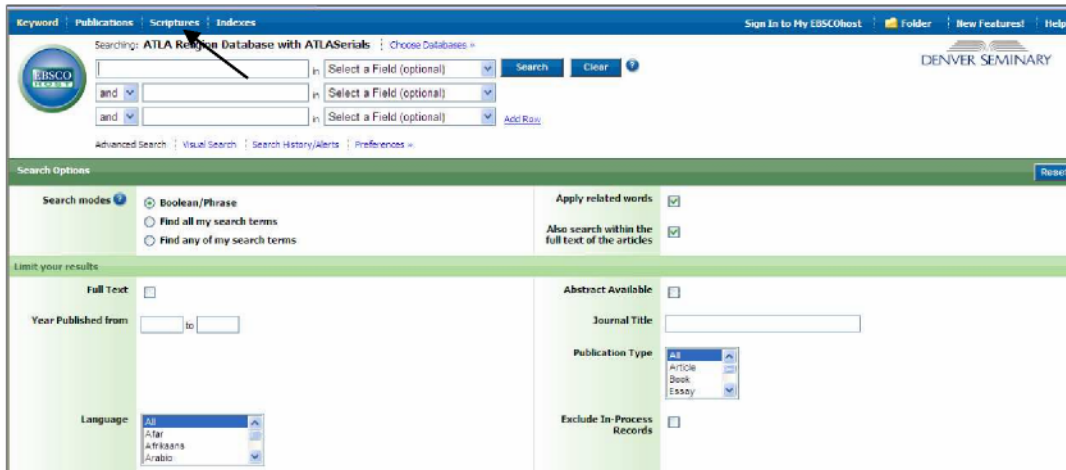
To Conduct an ATLA Search

ATLA can be used to search for

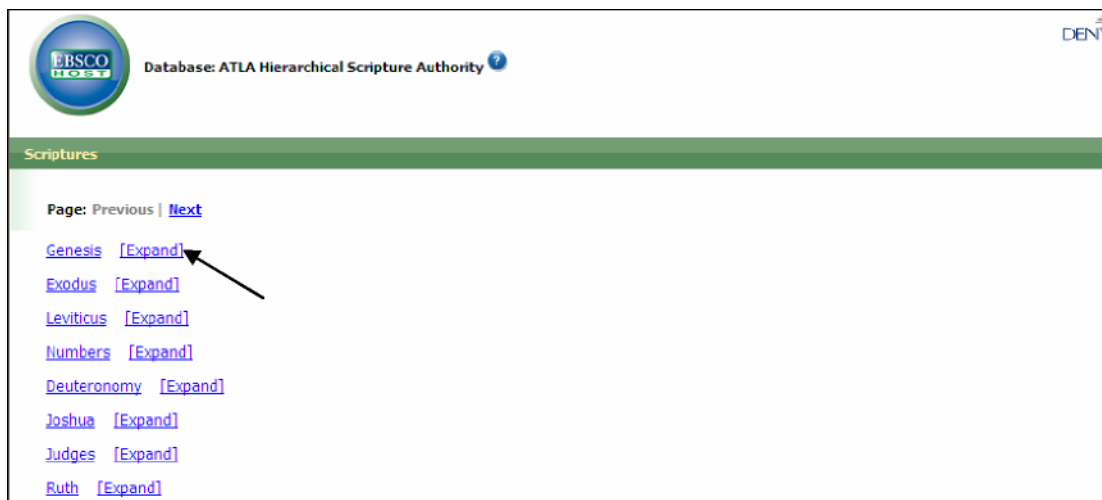
- a. Individual criteria, such as searching for a specific author, subject, title or scripture reference
- b. Multiple criteria, such as searching for an author and title

This example will focus on a scripture reference

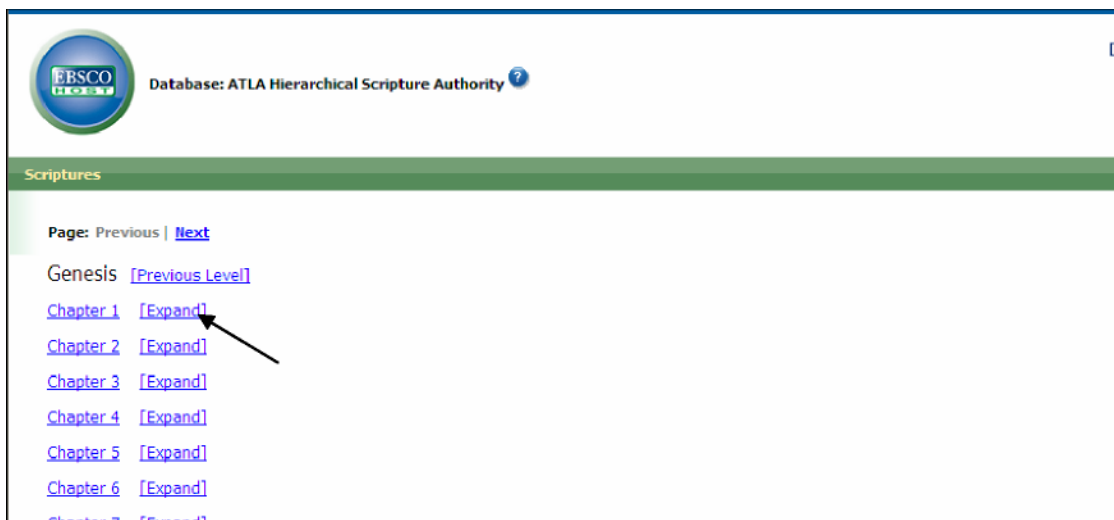
1. Choose Scripture from the links across the top of the page.



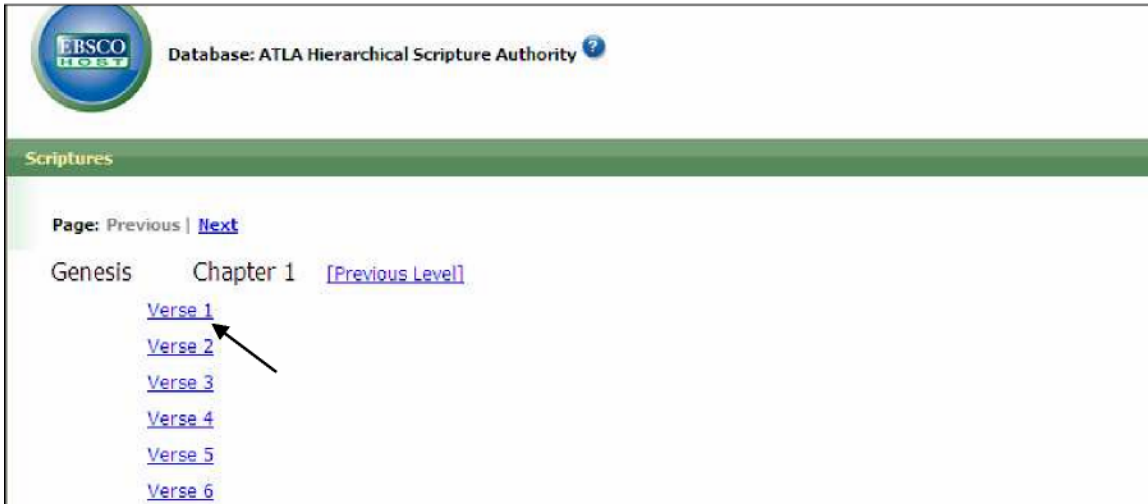
2. The search results will be displayed as below



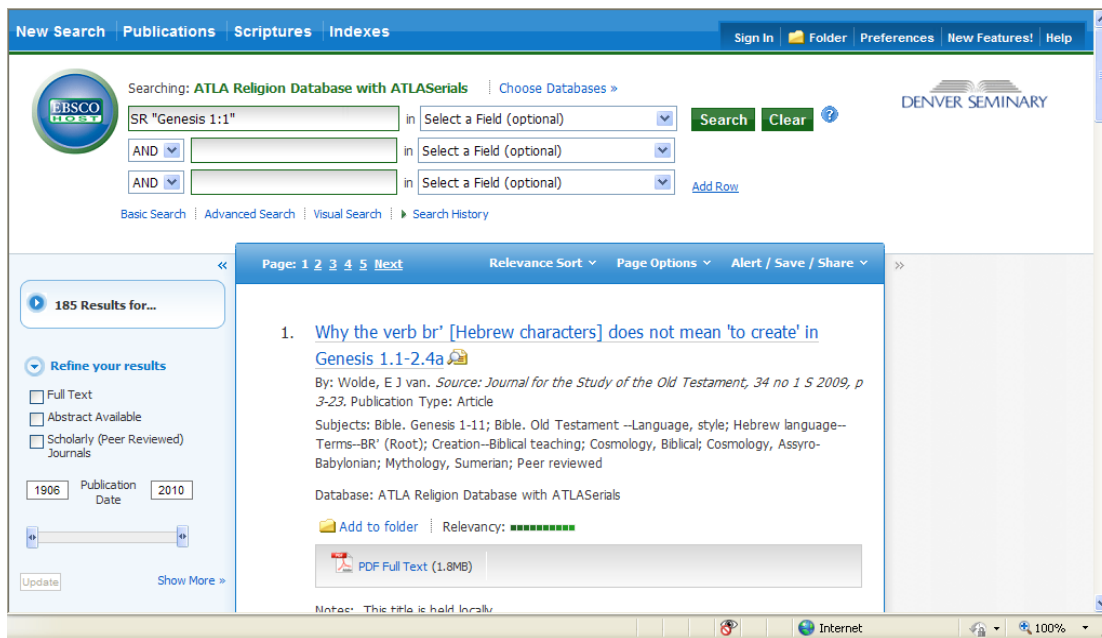
3. Choose the book of the Bible you will search and click on expand.



- 4. Choose the chapter of the book you will search and click on expand. Then click on the verse.



- 5. The search results will then display:



6. Each entry that provides a full text PDF document will display the following information:

The screenshot shows a search result for a PDF document. The entry is titled "1. Why the verb br' [Hebrew characters] does not mean 'to create' in Genesis 1.1-2.4a". The author is "By: Wolde, E J van." and the source is "Source: Journal for the Study of the Old Testament, 34 no 1 S 2009, p 3-23." The publication type is "Article". The subjects are "Bible. Genesis 1-11; Bible. Old Testament --Language, style; Hebrew Terms--BR' (Root); Creation--Biblical teaching; Cosmology, Biblical; Cosmology, Assyro-Babylonian; Mythology, Sumerian; Peer reviewed". The database is "ATLA Religion Database with ATLASerials". There is an "Add to folder" button and a relevancy bar. A "PDF Full Text (1.8MB)" button is highlighted with a callout box labeled "PDF Full Text Availability".

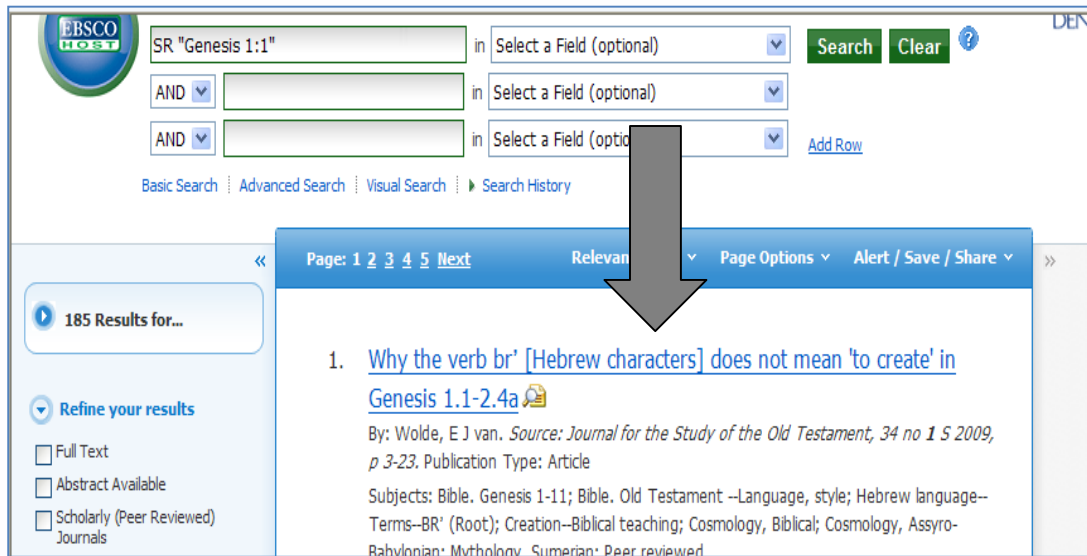
7. Each entry that provides a link to request an inter-library loan will provide the following information:

The screenshot shows a search result for an inter-library loan request. The entry is titled "5. Another view [Genesis 1:1-6:8]". The author is "By: Meyers, Carol L." and the source is "Source: Torah, p 27-28. New York : Women of Reform Judaism ; URJ Pr, 2008". The publication type is "Essay". The subjects are "Bible. Genesis 1-11; Women in the Bible". The database is "ATLA Religion Database with ATLASerials". There is an "Add to folder" button and a relevancy bar. A "Request this item through interlibrary loan. Please check the online catalog before ordering interlibrary loans" button is highlighted with a callout box labeled "Interlibrary Loan Request". A note at the bottom states "Notes: This title is not held locally" and a yellow box contains the text "Fill out a request to order a copy of this item through interlibrary loan. A new window will open".

A Word About Using Citations

A new feature of ATLA Religion with ATLASerials, and with other databases within the new EBSCO platform, is the ability to print, email, and save citation references. ATLA has the capability to create a citation reference for the publication in a number of prescribed formats, such as APA or Turabian. To view the citation before printing or - mailing it:

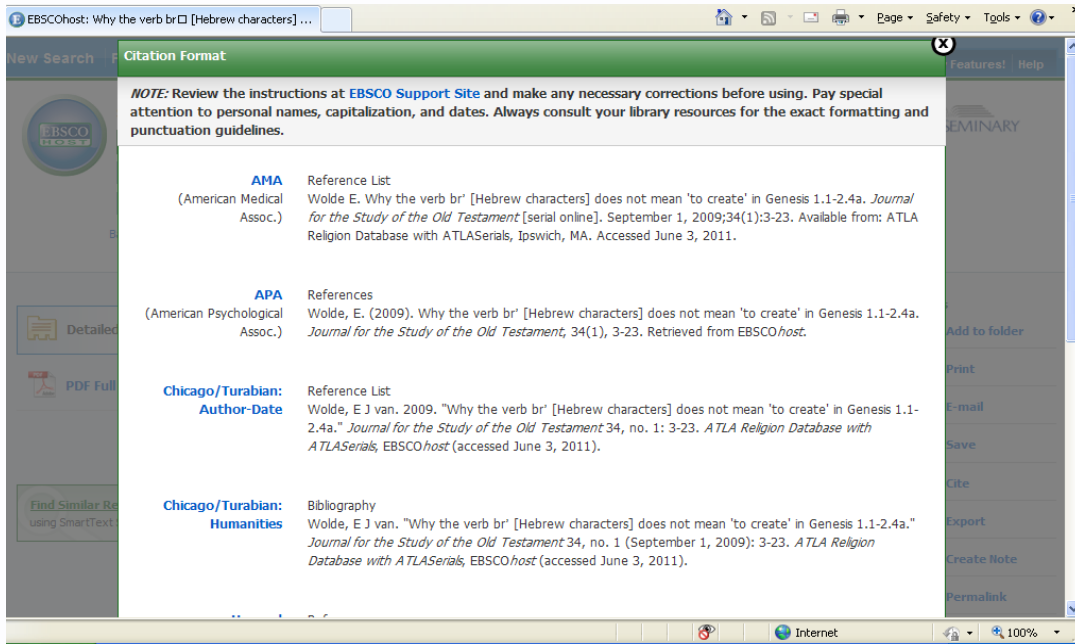
1. Click on the publication title in the search result list:



2. The following screen appears:

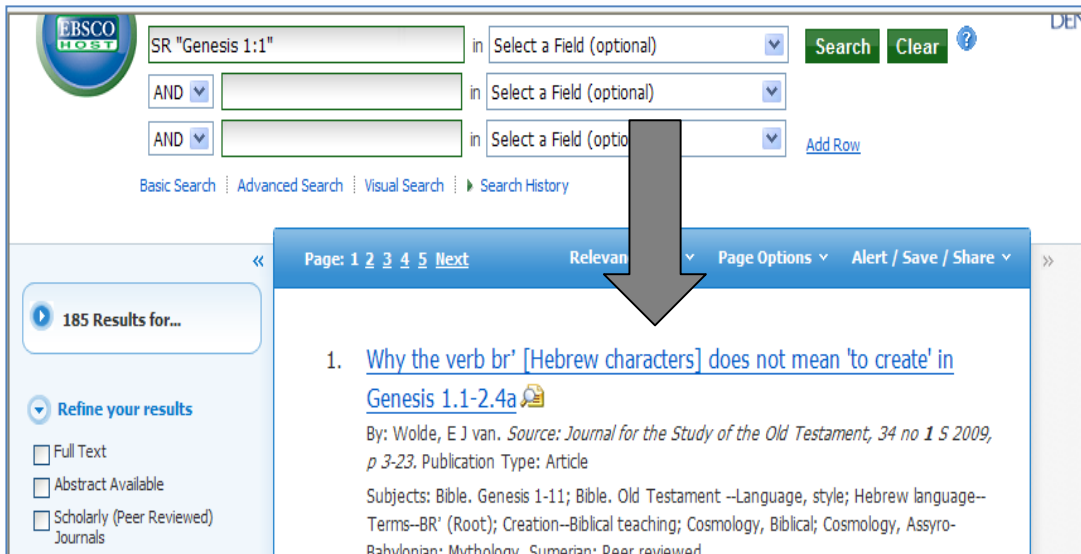


The screen momentarily will go gray and the Citation Format window will appear. It will show the citation for the publication in several forms. This can be used to help you decide which format you want to print or e-mail the citation.

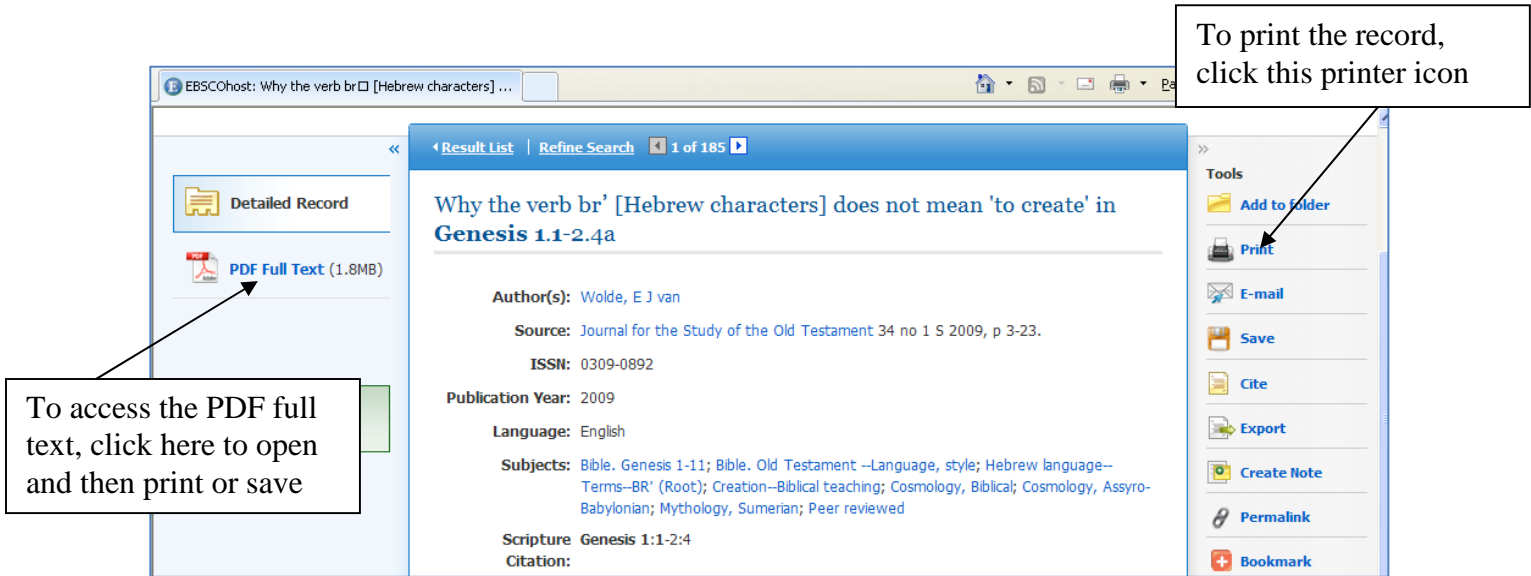


Printing Your ATLA Religion Search Results

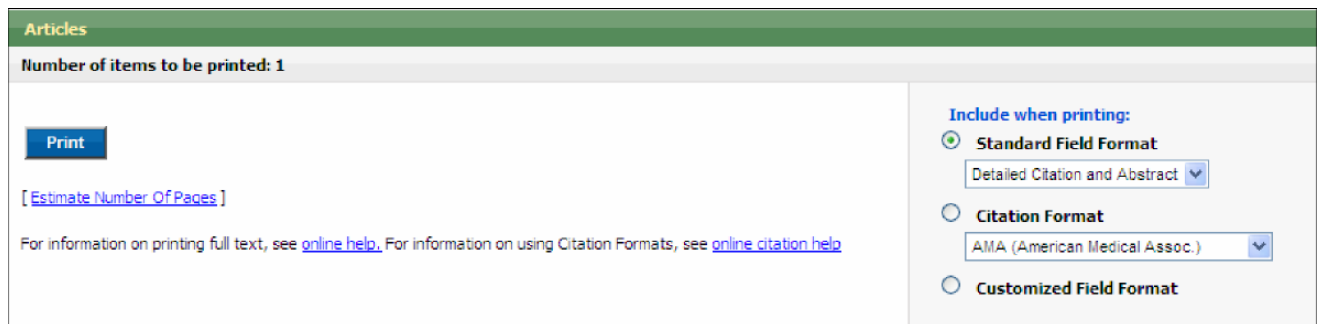
1. Click on the Publication Title:



The following window will appear: Click on the printer icon in the Tools sidebar to print the detailed bibliographic record.

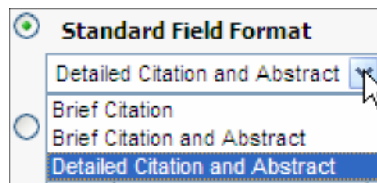


2. The following screen appears -

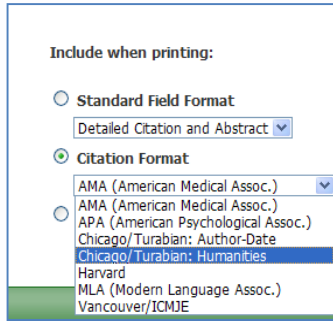


3. Select the type of format you wish to print:

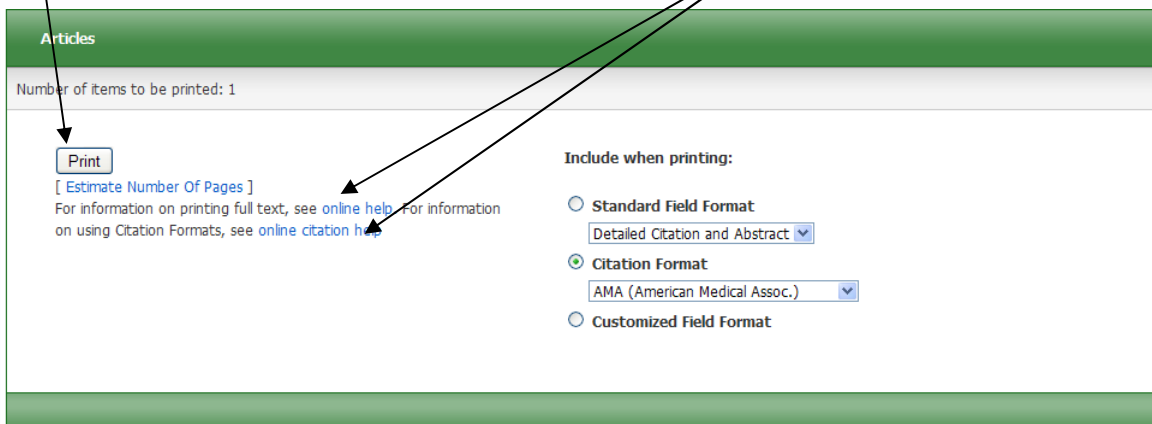
The Standard Field Format prints the standard bibliography information for the publication source. Click in the circle for Standard Field Format and then on the dropdown arrow to select a format option:



The Citation Format gives you the option to print out the appropriate bibliography information in the correct format. Click in the circle for Citation Format and then on the dropdown arrow to select a format option

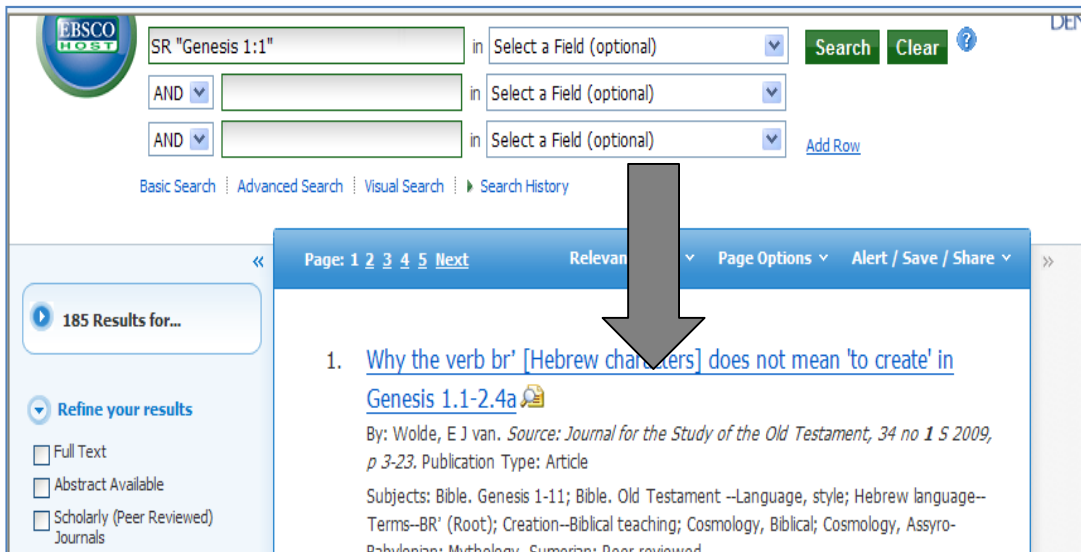


4. Click the Print button to print the entry. (Notice the additional help options)

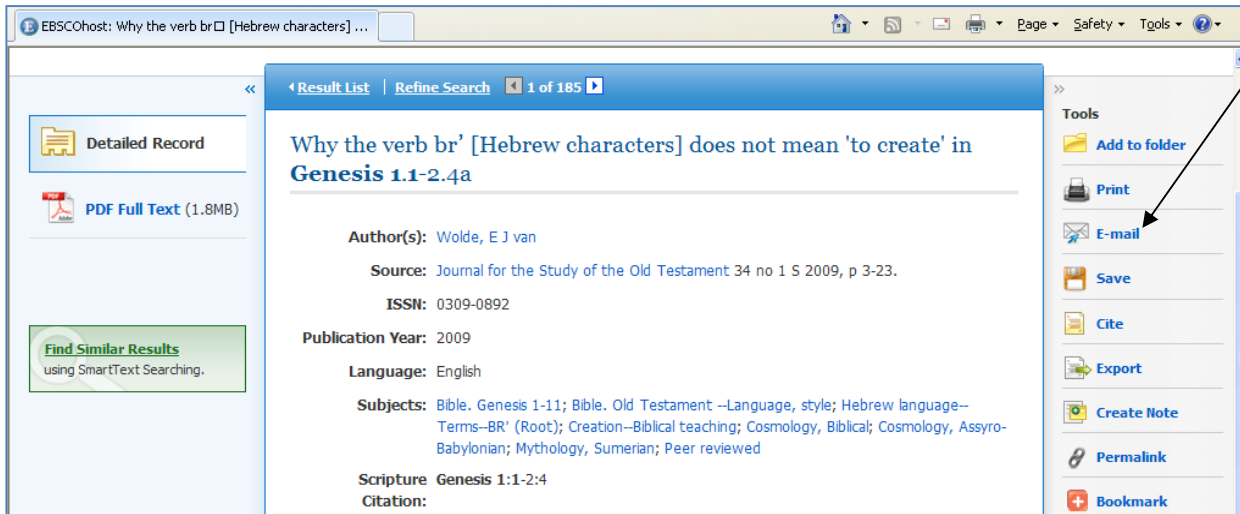


E-mailing Your ATLA Religion Search Results

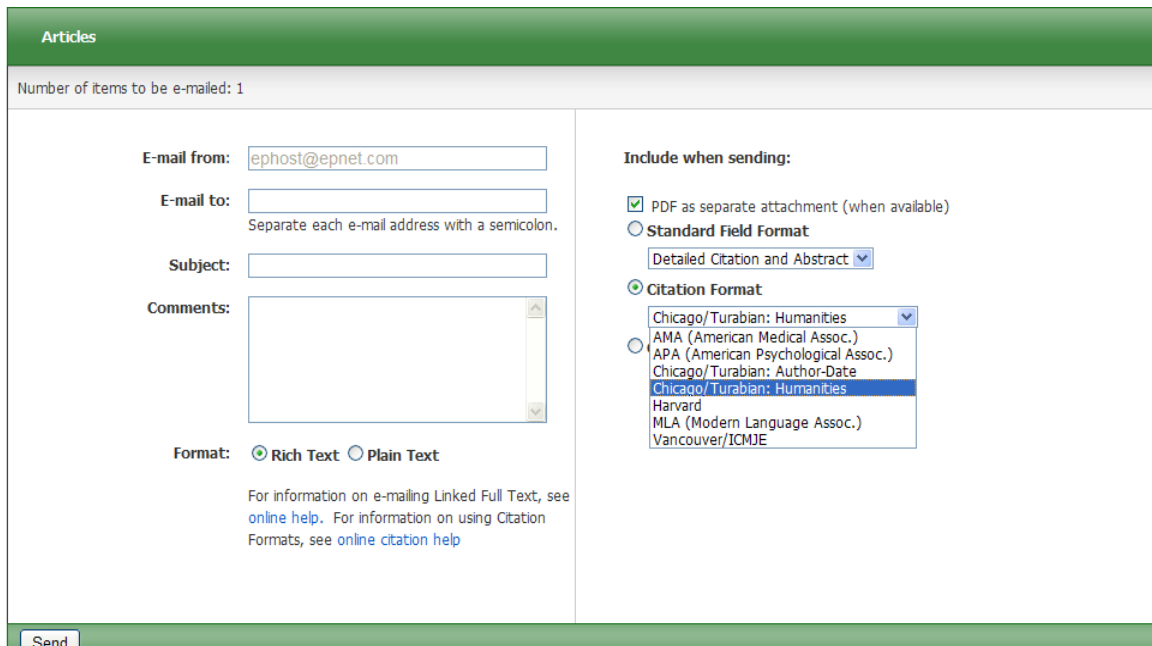
1. Click on the Publication Title:



The following screen will appear. Click on the Email icon under the Tool sidebar.



2. The following screen appears – (Note the option to include PDF full text if available)



3. Enter your e-mail address in the e-mail to box:

E-mail to:
Separate each e-mail address with a semicolon.

4. Enter a subject in the subject line:

Subject:

5. Enter comments you wish to include about the publication, if any:

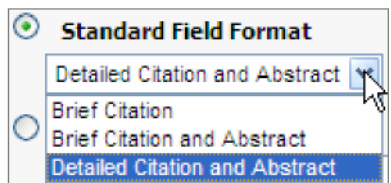
6. Leave the PDF as separate attachment (when available) checked. This will send a copy of the article in PDF format as an attachment with the e-mail if the article is available as a PDF file:

Include when sending:

PDF as separate attachment (when available)

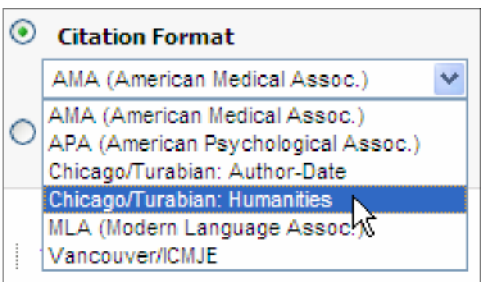
7. Select the type of format you wish to e-mail:

a. The Standard Field Format prints the standard bibliography information for the publication source. Click in the circle for Standard Field Format and then on the dropdown arrow to select a format option:



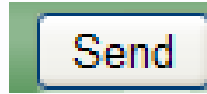
A screenshot of a web form showing the 'Standard Field Format' selection. The 'Standard Field Format' radio button is selected. A dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'Detailed Citation and Abstract' (selected), 'Brief Citation', 'Brief Citation and Abstract', and 'Detailed Citation and Abstract'.

b. The Citation Format gives you the option to print out the appropriate bibliography information in the correct format. Click in the circle for Citation Format and then on the dropdown arrow to select a format option:



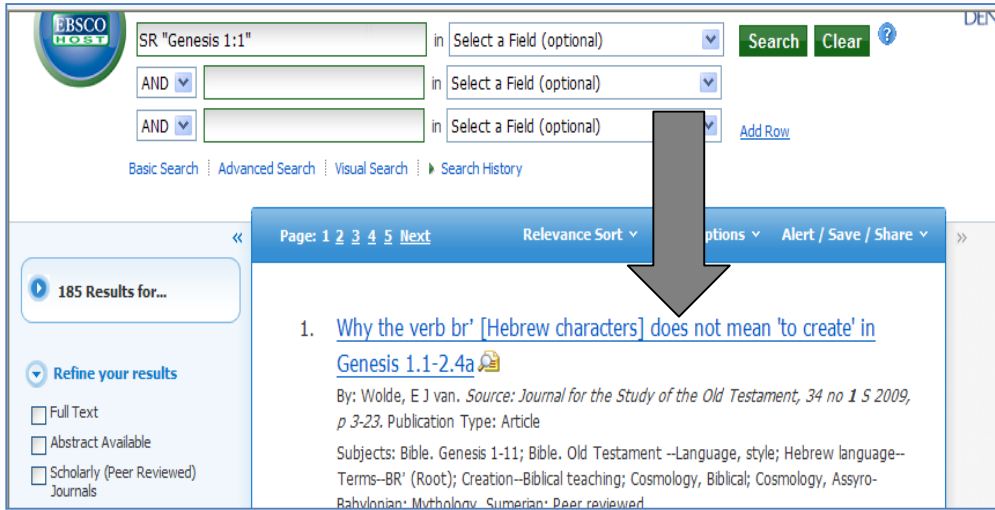
A screenshot of a web form showing the 'Citation Format' selection. The 'Citation Format' radio button is selected. A dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'AMA (American Medical Assoc.)' (selected), 'AMA (American Medical Assoc.)', 'APA (American Psychological Assoc.)', 'Chicago/Turabian: Author-Date', 'Chicago/Turabian: Humanities', 'MLA (Modern Language Assoc.)', and 'Vancouver/ICMJE'.

Click the Send button to send the email.

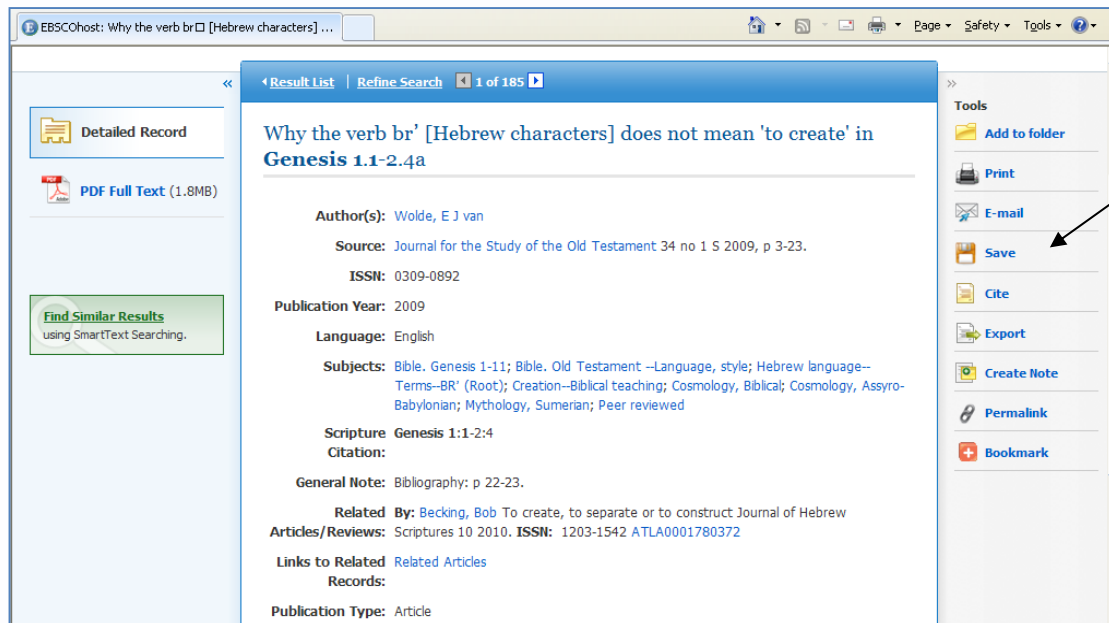


Saving Your ATLA Religion Search Results as a File

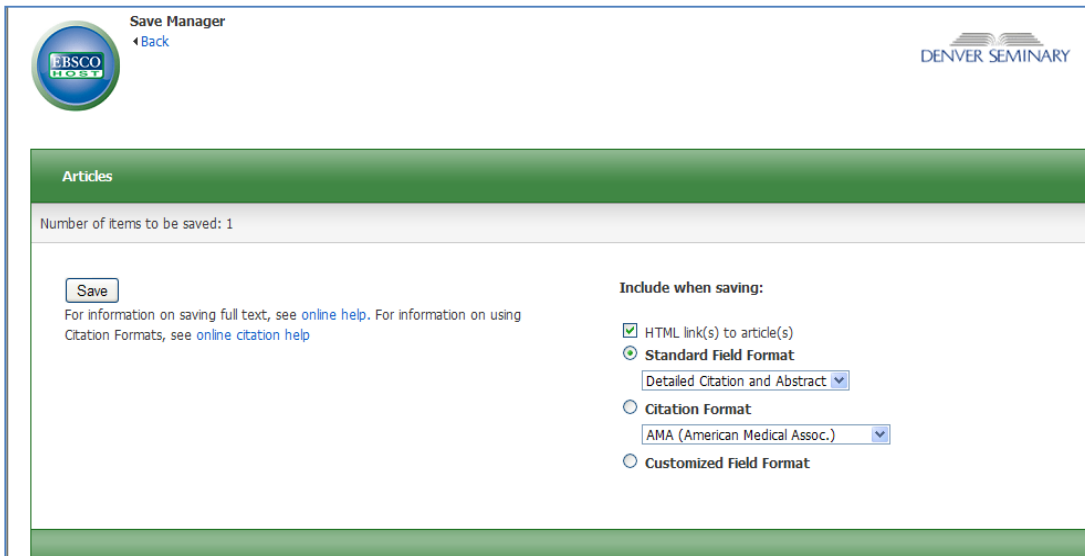
1. Click on the Publication Title:



The following window will appear. Click on the Save icon in the Tools sidebar.

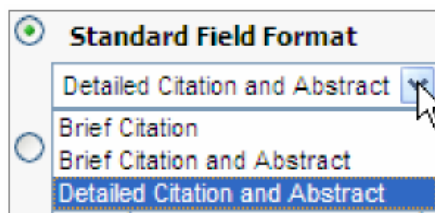


2. The following screen will appear:

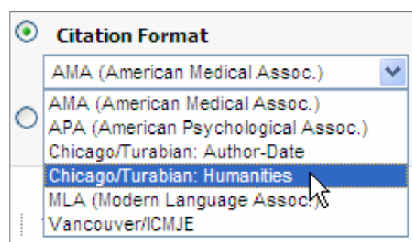


3. Leave the HTML link(s) to article(s) checked. This will maintain a permanent link to the article in the saved bibliography information and Select the type of format you wish to save as a file.

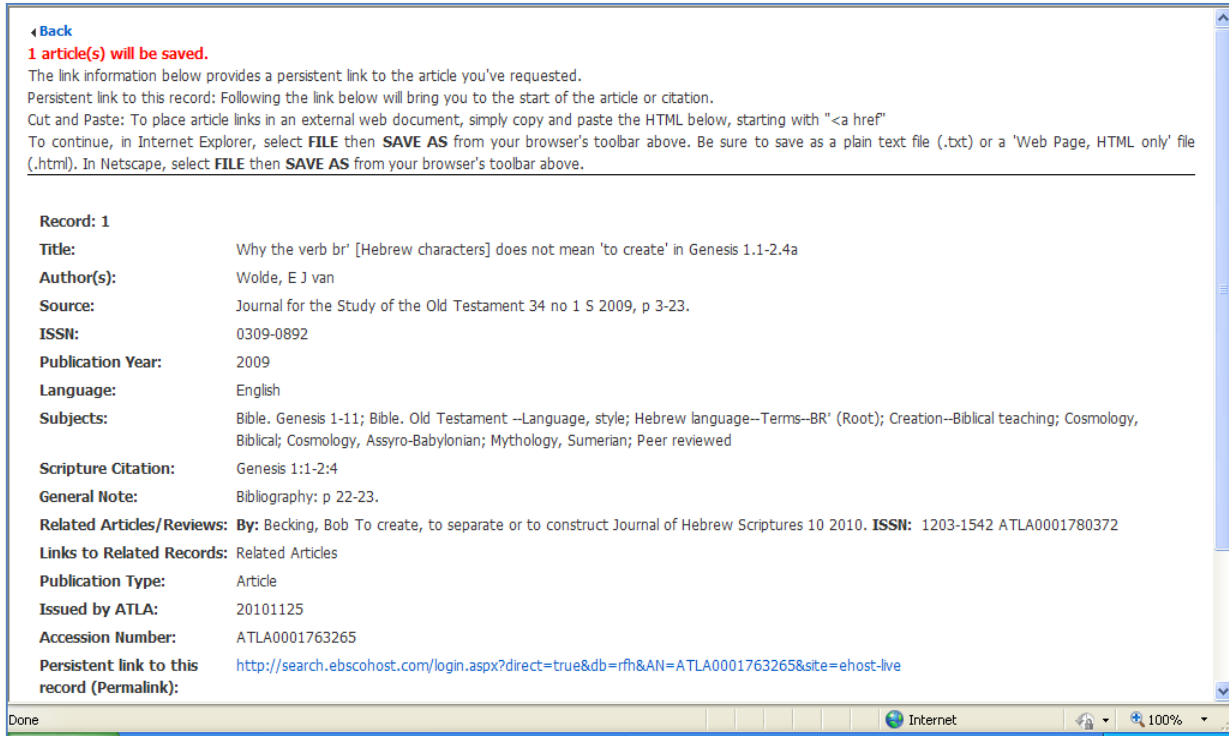
- The Standard Field Format prints the standard bibliography information for the publication source. Click in the circle for Standard Field Format and then on the dropdown arrow to select a format option:



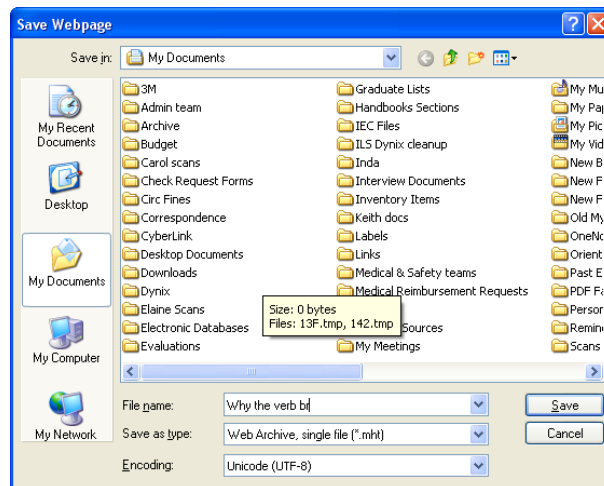
- The Citation Format gives you the option to print out the appropriate bibliography information in the correct format. Click in the circle for Citation Format and then on the dropdown arrow to select a format option:



4. Click on Save. This brings up a screen which displays the information to be saved and instructions on how to save it.



- a. With the information displayed, click on **File** on the menu bar
- b. Click on **Save As** from the menu (Use **Save Page As** if using Firefox)
- c. Enter a name for the file and select the type of file to save it as.
- d. Click the Save button to save the information as a file.



Limiting Searches

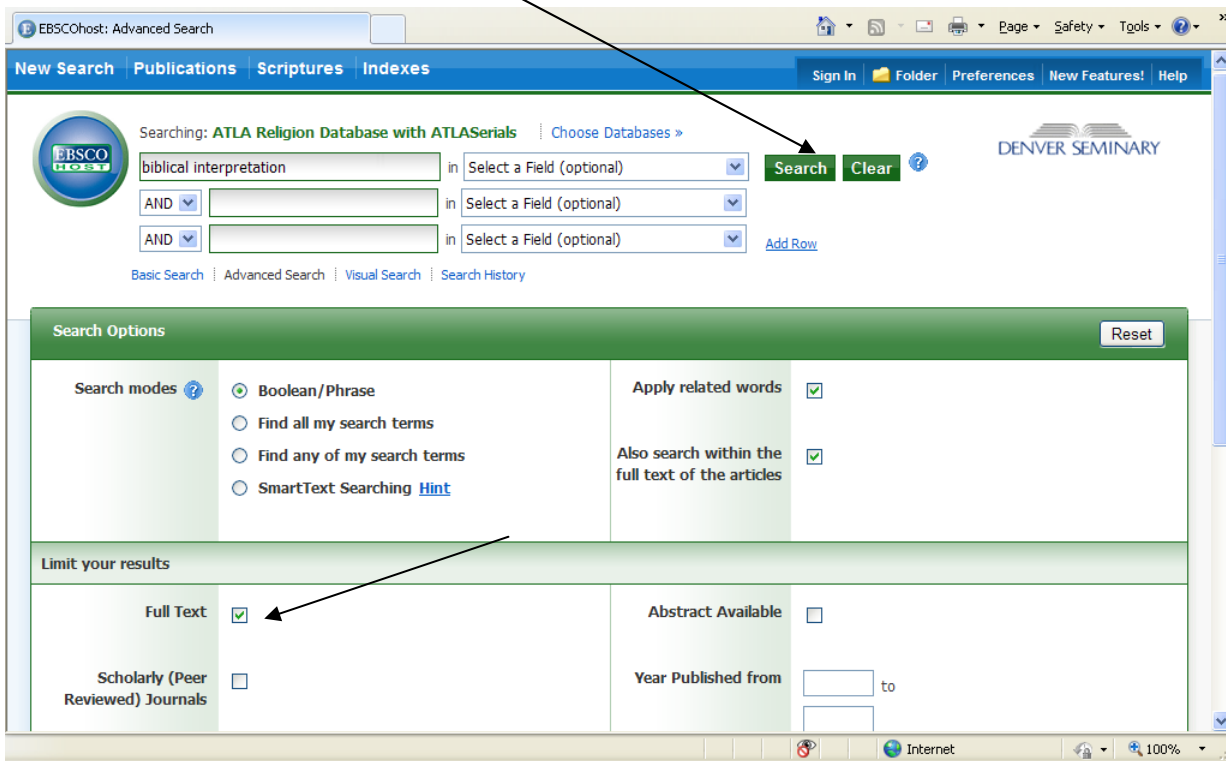
From the search results screen, it becomes apparent that ATLA can return thousands of items for any given search. Being able to limit the search in various ways is very helpful.

Limiting the search to Full Text Documents

Search results can be limited to return only documents that are available as PDF files or that are linked to full text documents. This can be done in two ways.

Method #1 – Limit search to Full Text in the Search screen

1. Enter the criteria for your search and click in the Full Text box in the “Limit your results” section. Then click the Search button to run the search.

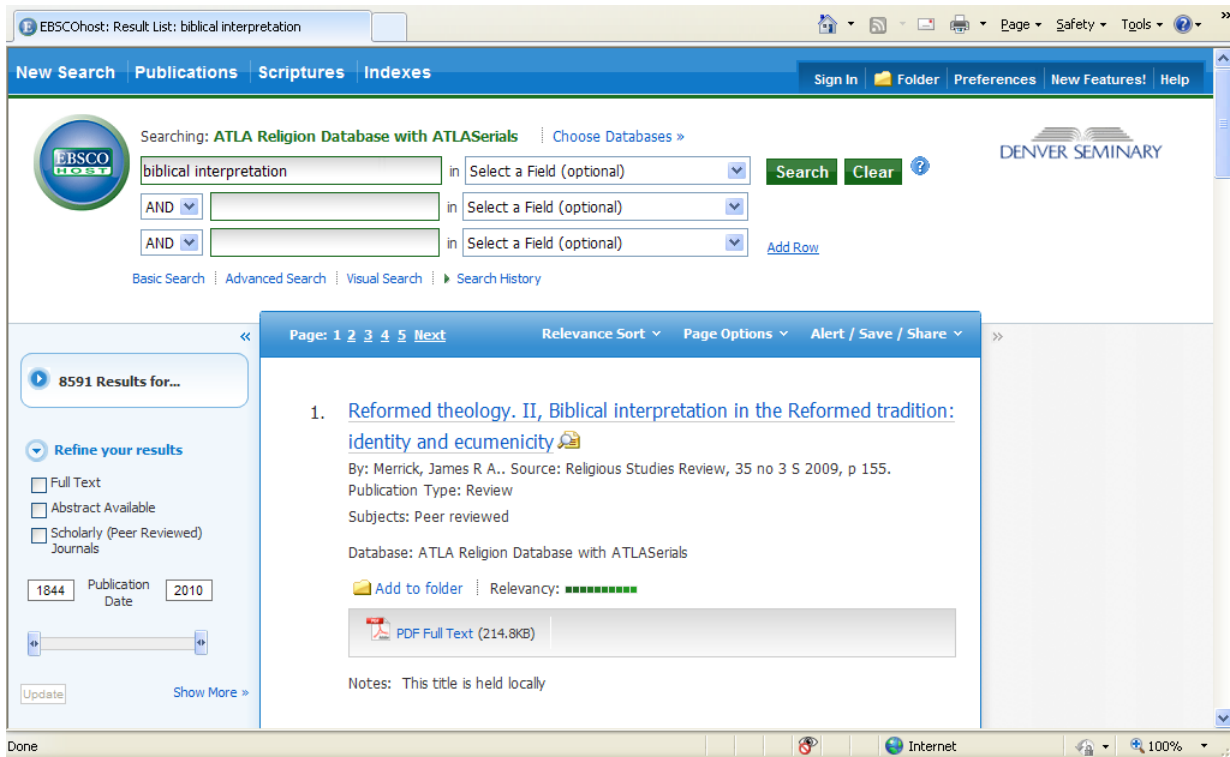


Method #2 – Limit search to Full Text in the Search Results Screen

Once a search has been run, it can still be limited to only Full Text documents. The Search Results Screen has a section called “Limit your results” to the right of the search results:

To limit the results to Full Text documents:

1. From the search results screen, click on the Full Text box in the Refine Your search side bar.



Click the Update Results Button to update the Search results

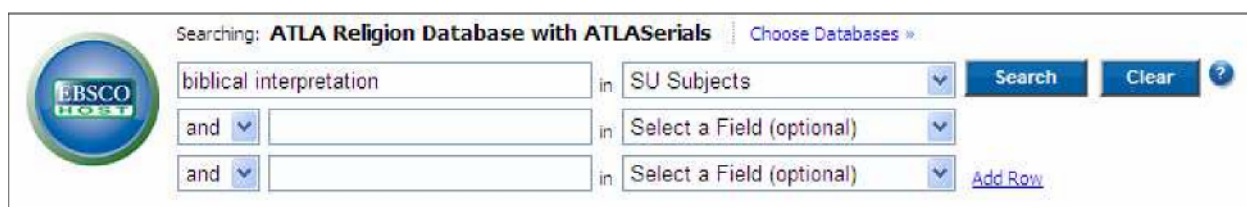


Limiting the search to Documents with Abstracts

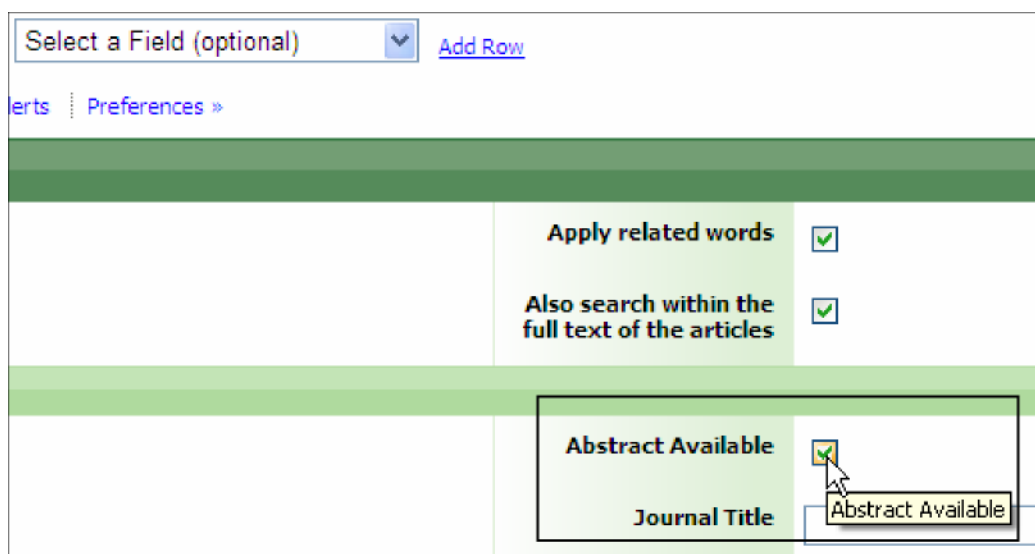
Some documents do not come with abstracts that will give a synopsis of the article. ATLA Religion allows you to limit your searches to only those that do. There are two ways to do this.

Method #1 – Limit search to Documents with Abstracts in the Search screen

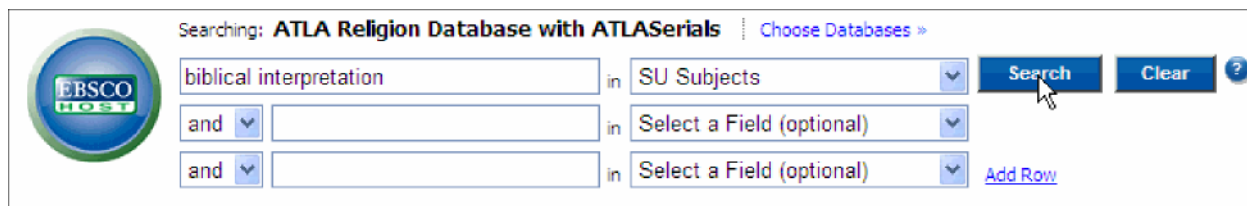
1. Enter your criteria for your search:



2. Click the Abstract Available box in the “Limit your results” section:

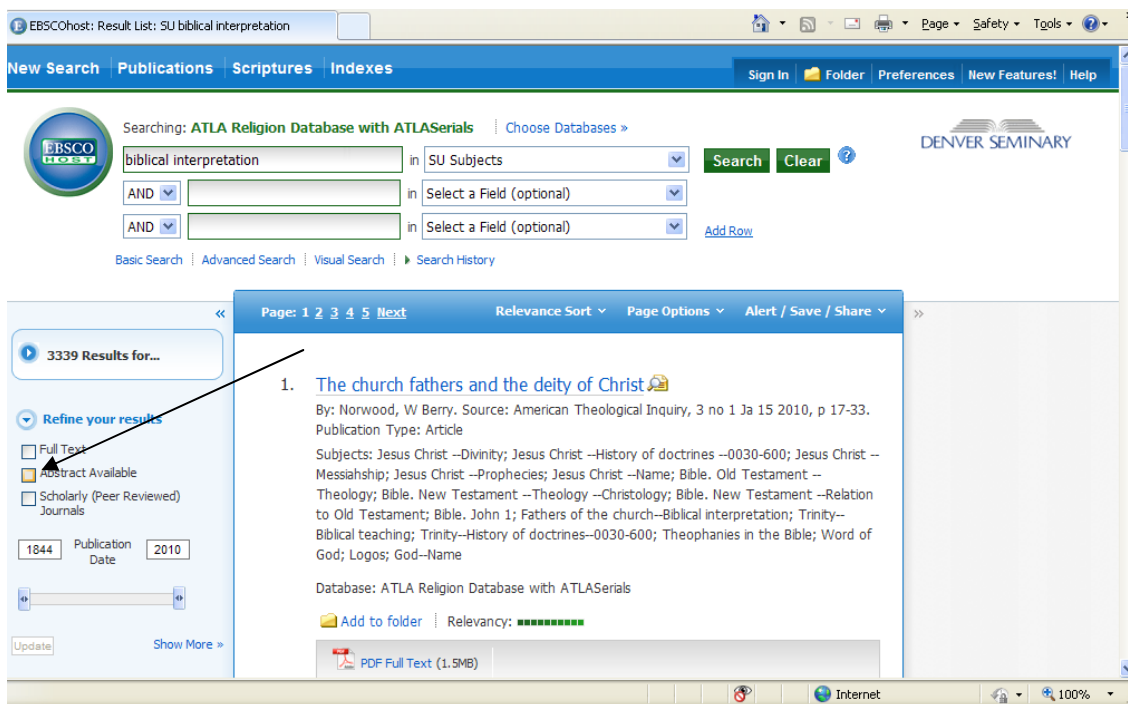


3. Click on the Search button to run the search.

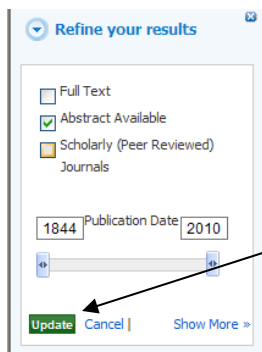


Method #2 – Limit search to Documents with Abstracts in the Search Results Screen

Once a search has been run it can still be limited to only documents with abstracts. The Search Results Screen has a section called “Refine your results” to the left of the search results. Click in the Abstracts Available box.



A popup box will appear. Click on the update button and the next screen will reflect the refined search results.



Limiting the search to a Range of Dates

You may have a need limit the search to a specific date or a specific range of dates. ATLA Religion has two ways to do this.

Method #1 – Limit search to a Range of Dates in the Search Screen

. Enter your criteria for your search:

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and in

and in [Add Row](#)

. Enter the beginning and ending dates in the “Year Published from” boxes in the “Limit your results” section. Then click on wither “Search” button to run your search.

Search Options

Search modes

- Boolean/Phrase
- Find all my search terms
- Find any of my search terms
- SmartText Searching [Hint](#)

Apply related words

Also search within the full text of the articles

Limit your results

Full Text

Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals

Journal Title

Language

- Afrikaans
- Arabic
- Catalan

Abstract Available

Year Published from to

Publication Type

- Article
- Book
- Essay

Exclude In-Process Records

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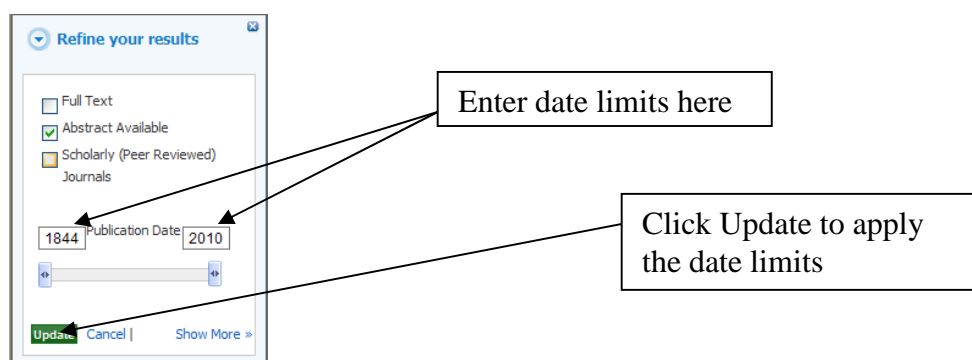
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Method #2 – Limit search to a range of dates in the Search Results Screen

Once a search has been run it can still be limited to a range of dates. The Search Results Screen has a section called “Refine your results” to the left of the search results:

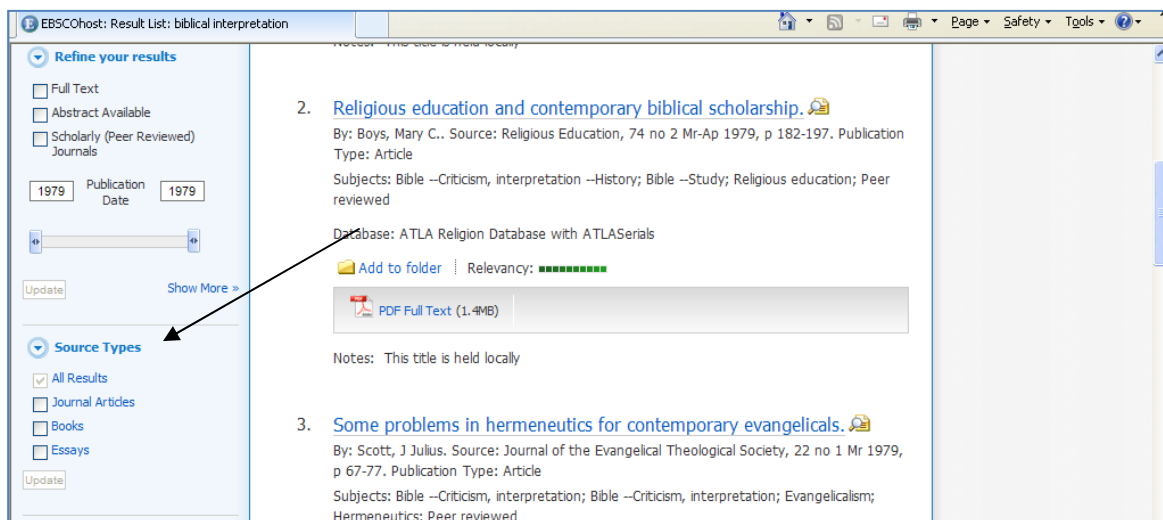
To limit the results to range of dates:

1. Enter the beginning date in the left date box and the ending date in the date box on the right



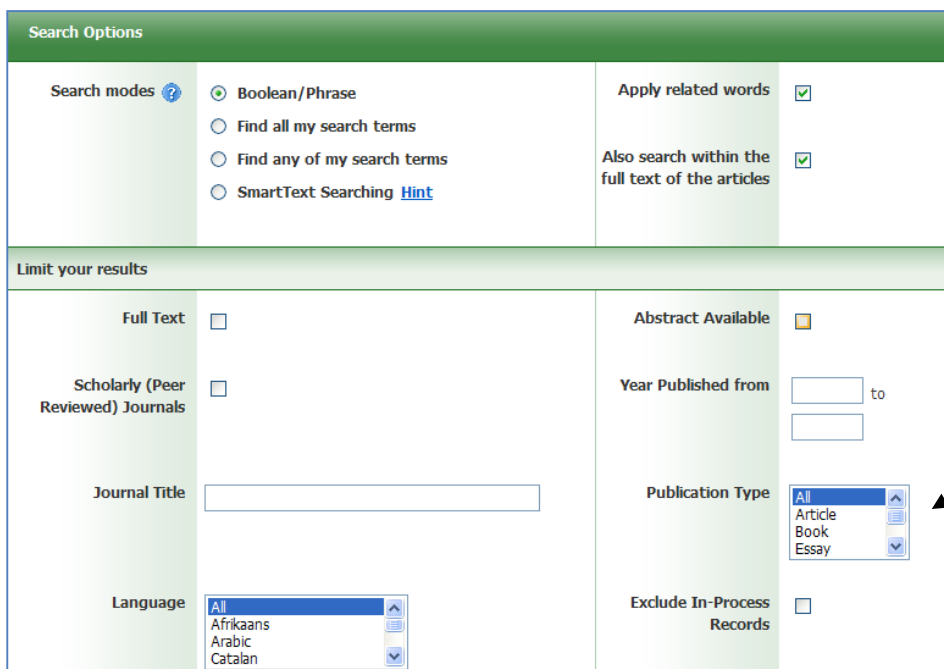
Limiting the search to a Specific Document Type

You may have a need limit the search to a specific document type, such as an article or essay. This type of search can be done from the main (or advanced) search screen. (If you are already in the search results screen, you can get refine the results by clicking on the Source Types option in the Refine your results section on the left sidebar.)

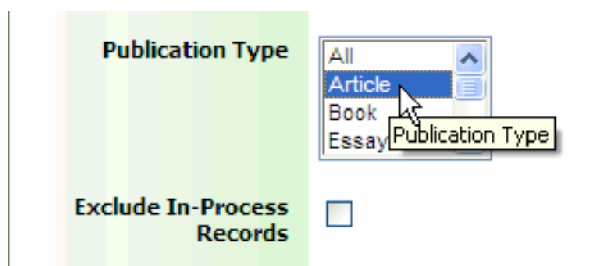


To limit your search to a specific document type from the main Search screen:

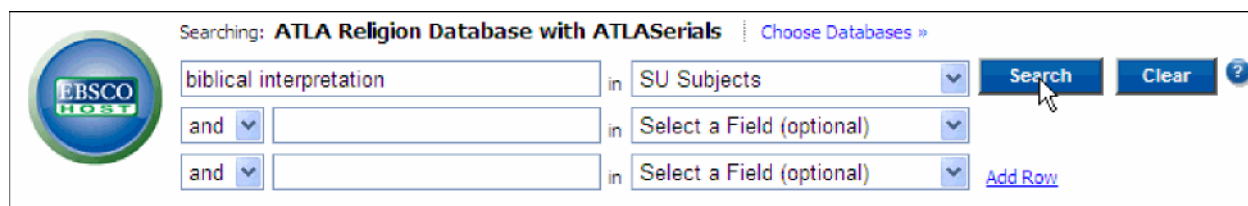
1. Make sure you are looking at the main (advanced) search screen.
2. Locate the "Publication Type" list in the right middle of the "Limit your results":



3. Select the type of publication (in this case article):

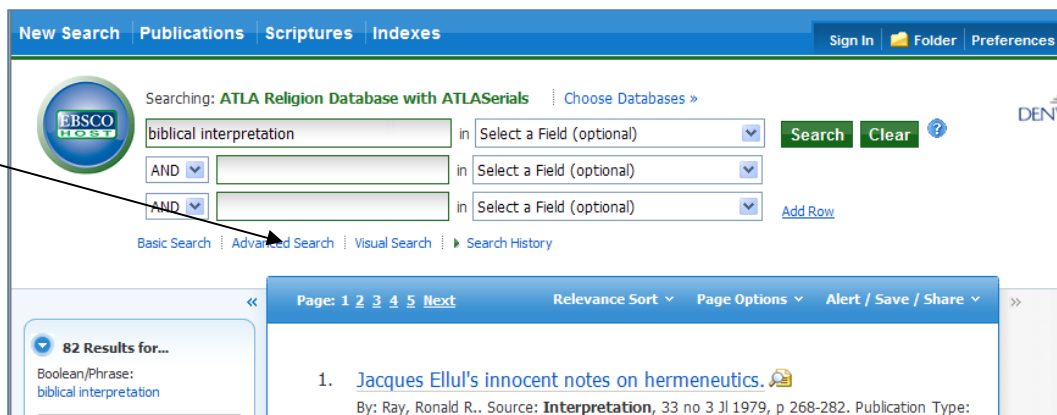


4. Click on Search button to run the search.



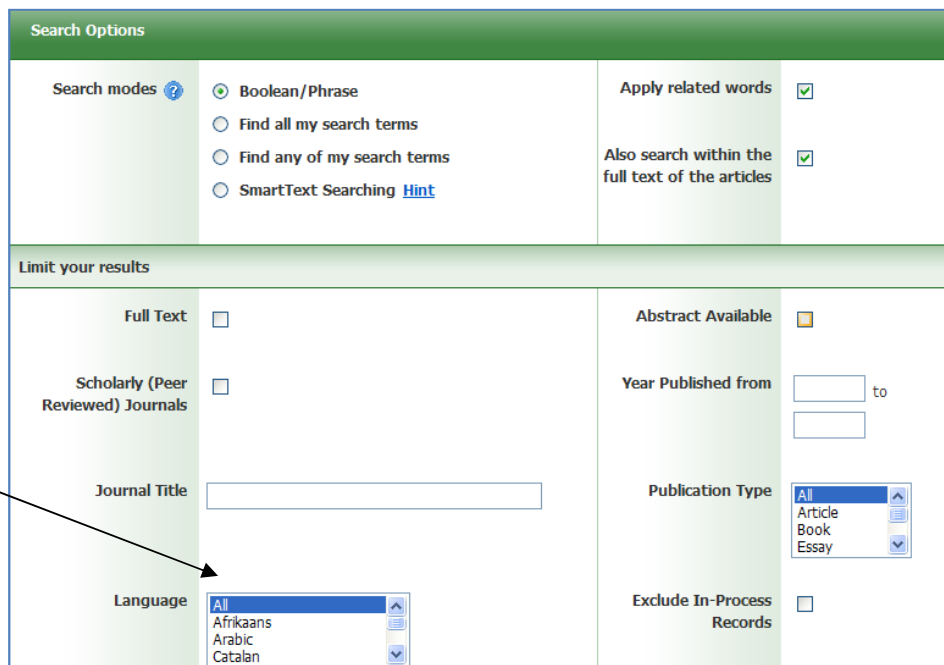
Limiting the search to a Specific Language

You may have a need limit the search to a specific language, such as Greek or Hebrew. This type of search can only be done from the main (or advanced) search screen. If you are already in the search results screen, you can get back to the main screen by clicking on the Advanced Search option underneath the criteria section:

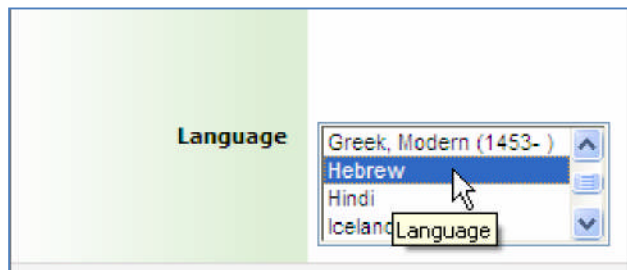


To limit your search to a specific Language:

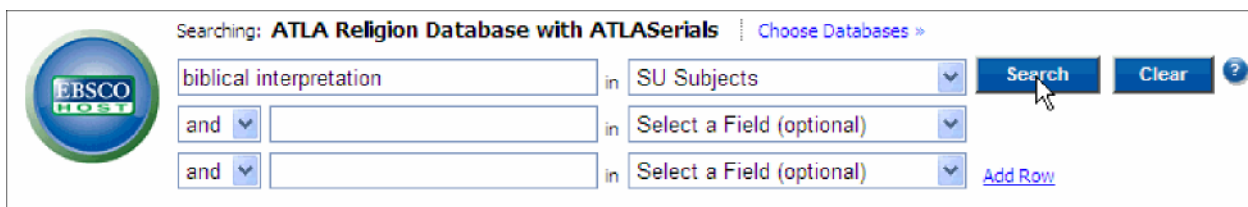
1. Make sure you are looking at the main (advanced) search screen.
2. Locate the “Language” list in the lower left corner of “Limit your results”:



3. Select the desired language from the list (Hebrew in this case):



4. Click on Search button to run the search.



Narrowing the Results of the Search

Sometimes you may need to narrow the scope of the results. ATLA Religion provides options for this in the left sidebar area – under Subject (expand if collapsed)

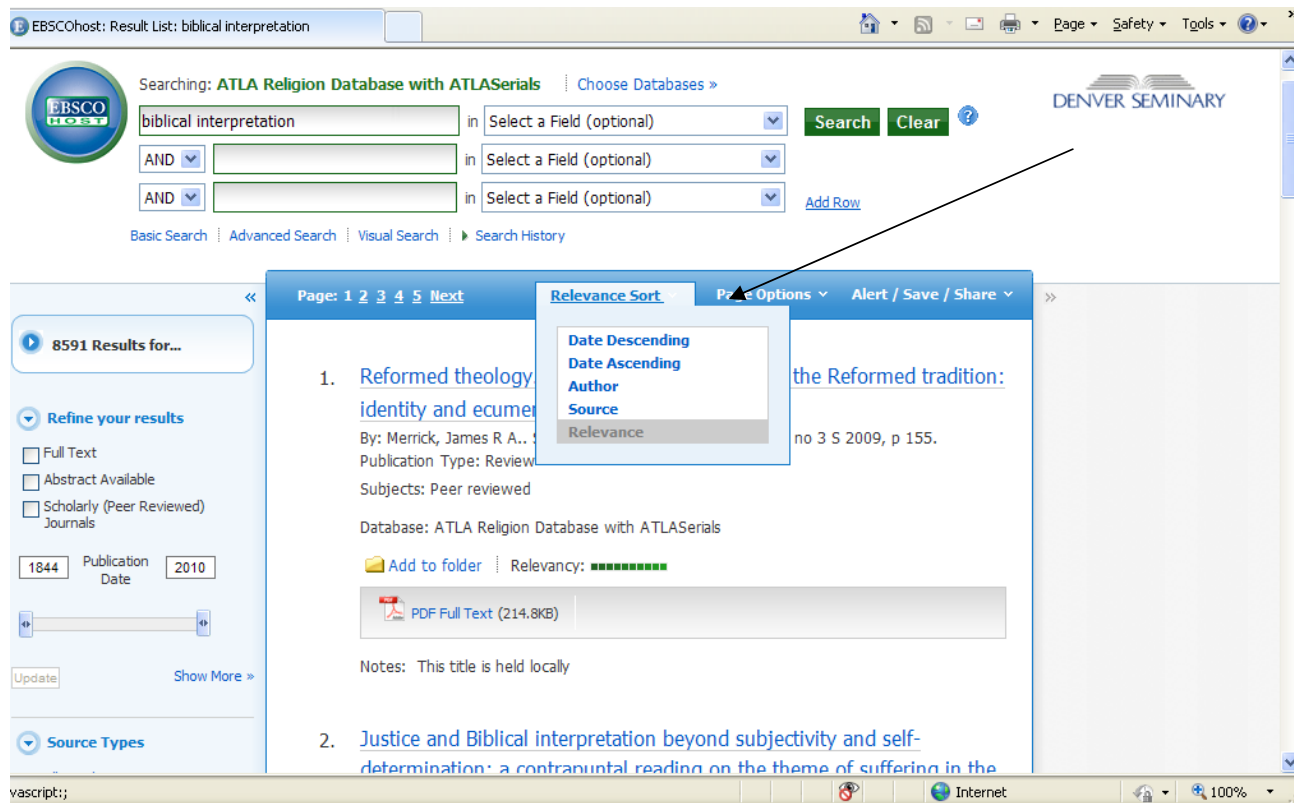


Simply click on a subject in the panel to narrow the scope of your search. It is also possible to limit by specific publication (s) in the same manner.

Sorting the Results of the Search

By default the search results are sorted by relevance. They can also be sorted by author, source, or ascending/descending date. To change the way the results are sorted:

1. Click on the current Sort (in this case, Relevance) and click on the desired sort:

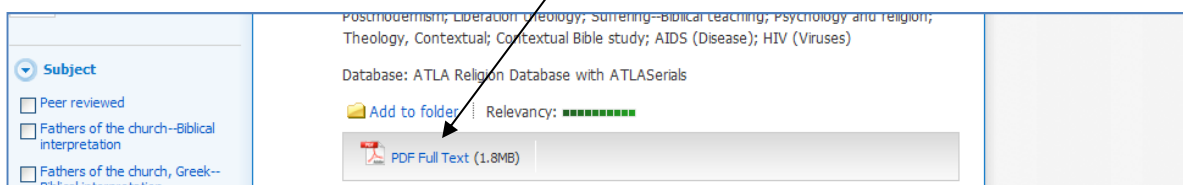


Printing/Saving/Emailing PDF files

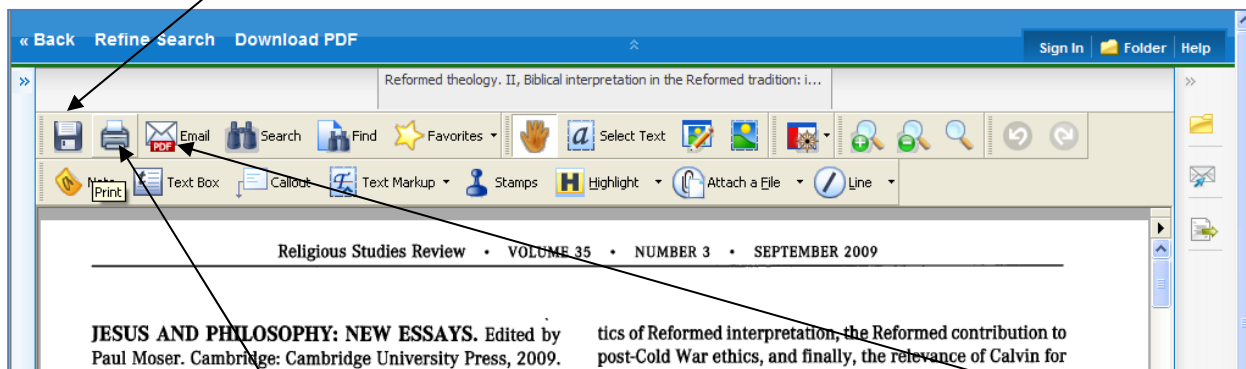
Some publications come with a full text PDF file that you can save, email or print. To print, email or save the PDF file:

From the Search Results Screen:

1. Click on the PDF Full Text link:



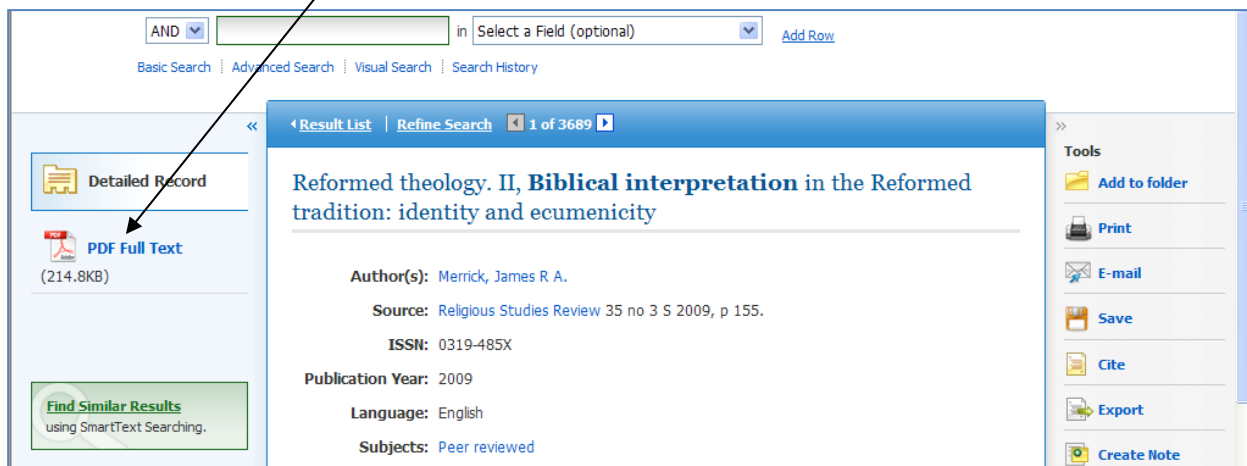
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