



Endorsements

We all have our favourite tracks through our Bible, which we find nourish us in our faith. This bible offers another track. In a world where 27,000 children die every day from preventable diseases we not only need to have this track highlighted for us but to take action as follows of Jesus be part of shaping a different world. I am delighted that World Vision is associated with this project and invite you to follow this track with me over the coming years - for the sake of the gospel and the sake of the children.

**Rev Tim Costello, CEO,
World Vision Australia.**

What a gift to have the opportunity to walk with the poor! The Poverty and Justice Bible celebrates this by ensuring the reader is never more than a few pages away from being inspired to build a more just, compassionate world. As hard as it is to comprehend, half the world is poor. God's command to us to respond as good global citizens is writ large in this wonderful edition of the Bible.

**Lisa Cescon, CEO, World Vision
New Zealand.**

For me, the most simple and yet most profound message of Christianity is about honouring our human equality and worth. When this is abandoned, as it has been abandoned in the treatment of Aboriginal people, there are consequences. I am delighted to endorse this Bible, which highlights justice, and I look forward to the consequences of justice being highlighted in our faith and lives.

**Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue,
Aboriginal Leader.**

Addressing poverty and justice is not marginal to faith. For the prophets, this is how you keep covenant. For Jesus, this is how you usher in the alternate kingdom. For the apostles, this is how you subvert an empire. May the Poverty and Justice Bible feed conversations that promote and sustain acts of justice and compassion.

**Dr. Mark Strom Chief Executive, Laidlaw College (previously known as
Bible College of New Zealand)**

An edition of the Bible with certain sections highlighted is strange. It's not something I would even normally recommend. But this one can open our eyes to what has always been in Scripture but not seen. This special edition does help us to do that one thing which the Jerusalem Church asked of St Paul at their historic meeting, "to remember the poor which is actually what I was eager to do" (Galatians 2.10)."

**The Rt. Rev. Robert Forsyth,
Bishop of South Sydney.**

The Poverty and Justice Bible is valuable because it reminds us just how crucial justice is to God's Word. Some of the verses we all know but others will leap out afresh reminding us that God's Kingdom, which we want to see more and more, is about compassion and action for the poor, the oppressed and the forgotten.

Amanda Jackson, National Coordinator, Micah Challenge Australia.

God's heart for justice is evident right throughout God's word. Our mandate is to bring this justice into reality. It is not an optional extra to our Christianity but it is a command from God Himself. May the words contained in this book challenge us to champion the poor, the needy and the downtrodden.

Mark de Jong, Founder/CEO Parachute Music.

When we were seminarians, the early Sojourners community decided to do an experiment. We cut out of an old Bible every reference to the poor, to poverty, to justice. After snipping out more than 2,000 verses, we were left with a Bible full of holes Imagine my surprise to hear the Poverty and Justice Bible with all those texts not only restored but actually underlined. The Bible full of holes has been replaced by the Holy Bible.

Jim Wallis, Christian activist and author.

More than ever I have the message of worship and justice burning in my heart. I pray that as you read this Bible and you will be inspired to bring justice and hope to your world.

Darlene Zschech, Worship leader, songwriter.

Corrie ten Boon from Holland and the German Dietrich Bonhoeffer rescued Jews during WWII. They did this as Christ-followers and at much risk to themselves. What makes people do such daring acts? Both of them were readers of the Bible but more significantly as they read, they let the Bible read them, especially the parts highlighted in this Bible. So beware as you read this Bible as it may examine you and in doing so transform you into a person of daring and courage. But then, who is not to want this?

Mick Duncan, Alongside, Communicator, Educator.

To see what God says about poverty and justice is to capture God's heart. This Bible highlights two of the key themes in Scripture. I commend it to you.

Mike Pilavachi, Soul Survivor.

There are grooves worn in my Bible. They are the tracks my ideas always slid along: I only saw what I'd always seen; I only read what confirmed my existing ideas. Then World Vision scribbled all over the pages with a highlighter, and it hi-jacked my eyes to ponder passages in a fresh way. It's a new groove.

John Cowan, Senior Writer/Presenter, Parents Inc.