

Accordance 8 Bible Software Webinar

Commands and Symbols (Part 2)

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Introduction:

Part one of *Commands and Symbols* covered search symbols, the various connecting commands and one of the stand alone commands (Fuzzy). We also covered the powerful “Search All” feature available through the Resource palette.

Part two of this series will cover most of the rest of the stand-alone commands. These include all five miscellaneous commands and three of the five remaining connecting commands (“Link,” “Contents,” “Hits”).

Part three of this series will cover “Infer,” “Merge” and “Search Back.”

Stand-alone Commands

Miscellaneous Commands [Range, Count, Key, Style and Field]

Range ⇧⌘R

The “Range” command is an alternate way to limit the range of a single search. Type the name(s) of the books you wish to search: [RANGE Gen-Deut]<AND> Noah [or] type the first few letters of the name of a predefined range in quotes: [RANGE “tor”]<AND> Noah.

Count ⇧⌘U

The “Count” command searches for words (or key numbers, forms, etc.) that only appear a specific number of times within the given range. The various “modifier commands” can also be used in conjunction with this command: =k (key number), =i (inflected word), =t (grammatical tag).

Example: use an example provided by an attendee

Key ⇧⌘K

The “Key” command searches for a key number in a key number Bible text (KJVS, ESVS, etc.). A single key number (indicating a Greek or Hebrew word) may be translated into a number of different English words.

Example: [KEY H7892]

Style ⇧⌘S

The “Style” command searches for your custom highlights. Type the first few letters of the highlight style to find that highlight; type “*” to find them all.

Field ⇧⌘F

The “Field” command allows the user to specify the beginning or end of a verse [or phrase, clause, etc.] as part of a “Within” command search. Use the “Search within” pop-up menu to change the field type.

Example: “song” <within 2 words> [FIELD begin] (change field type to see effect on hits)

Link Commands

These five commands “link” windows together for searching.

Link ⇧⌘L

The “Link” command allows for simultaneous searching in two [or more!] windows. These windows may be different texts or tools. Think of it as a simpler version of the “Search All” feature. Once set up, new searches in the source window will automatically update all related windows!

Example: “found” in ESVS, RSV, NIV (each linked to the ESVS search); change to “find” and “grant*”*

Contents ⇧⌘C

The “Contents” command allows a user to search inside the contents of another window. The command effectively limits the range of the search to the hits in the first window. this is especially powerful when used within a “Reference list.”

Example: “found” in the ESVS in first search window; [CONTENTS ESVS] <AND> “favor” in second search window

Example 2:: Apocalyptic Passages Reference List; [CONTENTS Reference List] <AND> “thunder” <OR> “lightning”

Hits ⇧⌘H

The “Hits” command copies one of the following from the source window:

	Regular Texts	Key Number Texts	Tagged Original Language Texts
Words	X	X	X [HITS
Key numbers		X [HITS=k]	
Lemmas (dictionary form)			X [HITS=i
All Grammatical Tags			X {HITS=t
Specific Grammatical Tag			<i>e.g.:</i> [HITS=i GNT-T]@[NOUN masc]

Example: “myster” in the ESVS [key number text in first search window]; [HITS=k ESVS] in second search window*

Modifiers

“Hits” and a number of other commands can be modified. The modifiers depend on the kind of text being searched.

<AND>	This and other connecting commands work as normal
?, *	These and other symbols can also be used.
=k	Searches for key numbers in a key number text
=i	Searches for inflected words in an original language text.
=t	Searches for grammatical tags in a tagged text.
@	Specifies certain criteria for a word: [HITS=i GNT-T]@[NOUN masc]

Conclusion

Most users never scratch the surface of the powerful search features available in

Accordance.

Key number and grammatically-tagged original language texts expand the power of many commands.

Practice and creativity will help you become an Accordance 8 “power user!”

For more information...

Accordance Help > Advanced Features > Search Commands

Accordance Help > Advanced Features > Details of Stand-alone Commands

Tips for Users Forum at www.accordancebible.com/forums [now available from your “Help” menu!]

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