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The Concise Concordance is a useful word index to all 73 books of the New American Bible Revised Edition. Arranged in alphabetical order, it shows the book, chapter, and verse location of the most prominent words in the NABRE and supplies several words of the context in which each word is found. This volume is the perfect accompaniment for anyone studying the NABRE. It provides helpful access to texts most significant to personal and professional Scripture research, regardless of the reader's familiarity with this particular translation. The New American Bible Revised Edition: The New American Bible Revised Edition (NABRE) brings to culmination the work of nearly 100 scholars, including translators, editors, and a subcommittee of Catholic bishops who provided extensive review of the biblical text over a period of many years. The NABRE is the first major amendment to the New American Bible translation since 1991. It features: "The first update of the Old Testament since 1970, taking into account recent archaeological and textual discoveries." Complete revision of the Psalter.

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Customer Reviews
I selected this concordance because so many of the others available selectively omit books from the Bible considered to be "apocrypha". With this concordance, Catholics who wish to deepen their faith and understanding of God's word can do so without sacrificing the Tradition and Sacred Scripture as revealed to the Catholic Church since it's beginning. This is a good Catholic Concordance and good companion to the Catechism and the Holy Bible.
For those who may not know, a concordance is essentially an index for the bible. This is not an exhaustive concordance that lists every word of the bible and where it can be found. Rather it is concise. The decision making is highly competent, and I doubt anyone using this concordance would find it lacking. It is helpful for both scholars and lay people when reading the bible. This is the concordance for the NAB (New American Bible), the most common translation in use for Roman Catholics in the United States. There is also a concise concordance available for the NRSV by the same editor. I have them both. Both are excellent. I would love a good concordance for the RSV (my personal favorite translation), but thus far have been unable to find one. If anyone knows of one, please free to leave a comment letting me know where I can get a good concordance for the RSV. [Added in July 2007] To those who may be interested, I just found a concordance for the RSV that looks good: The Oxford Concise Concordance to the Revised Standard Version of the Holy Bible

Anyone using the New American Bible on a regular basis should have a copy of this book. We have all remembered a verse or part of a verse and just can't locate it. This book as paid for itself multiple times!

Don't judge this NAB Concordance by its drab and unimaginative cover. This is no booklet sized afterthought, but a fullsized or even reasonably hefty work of scholarship. For example, this book contains an entry for "mustard" (as in "mustard seed"), as you expect from the Oxford University Press. I recommend this one as the only NAB Concordance at .com fit to give my wife this Christmas, of the three I bought.

I teach a Bible Study class, most recently we have looked at selecting a scriptural passage pertinent to our petitions and creating a prayer of our own based on the scriptural passage. This particular Concordance is large enough to easily read, complete enough to be helpful and compact enough not to weigh heavily to tote around. I use several different reference books. This one appealed to all the individuals in my class and they purchased copies for themselves. They will use them. I think this is one you should consider buying and using. I also have different age groups in the class and they all liked this one.

This is not a large book, but it seems to contain all of the essential words in scripture. It is geared to the New American Bible, as it says. I find it handy because it is small. It doesn't exhaust me just to
lift it like the Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, and also unlike the Strong's, the print is large enough to read without a magnifying glass!

I purchased the hard cover version and upon opening the cover, I hear a somewhat distressing ripping sound - oh the book was pretty much brand new (despite being purchased as a used book) so I had to break it in! Scary, I was afraid I was tearing the book! :) It's very well done. Tight, crisp binding, large enough I don't need to squint at the printing, and appears to have everything I was looking for at the moment (although, as others have mentioned, it is a concise concordance, not an exhaustive.) Basically, like having an abridged dictionary versus having the entire Oxford English Dictionary (the one that's almost bigger than my bed :) Should be quite handy as I do research.

BTW, although this book is keyed for NABRE, it can be used with other bible versions (more or less, unless they diverge significantly, such as the Douay-Rheims, perhaps.) Good value for a bible research tool.

some concordances listed as complete actually list each word in the Bible, including "the"!! So I decided to get a concise concordance. I have seen some that were wonderful, but this is not one of them. It is a bit too concise, leaving out many personages, events, and subjects, and covering some subjects rather scantily.

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