

Old Testament Resources for Preachers and Bible Class Teachers

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Abbreviations

ITC International Theological Commentary
NIBC New International Bible Commentary
OTL Old Testament Library
WBC Westminster Bible Companion

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