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## **Press Release**

## Over 25,000 Theological articles now available for Free Download.

Theology on the Web sees the data equivalent of 2,300 sets of Encylopaedia Britannica of articles downloaded in just one year

London, UK September 1, 2015: The web-based ministry *Theology on the Web* [theologyontheweb.org.uk] celebrates its 14<sup>th</sup> anniversary today. The 25,000+ theological articles that it host are equipping millions of visitors around the world to study in-depth, not only the Bible, but also church history, biblical archaeology and Christian missions without the need to access a University or Bible College library. Launched in September 2001 the original website biblicalstudies.org.uk has developed into eight inter-linked sites which provide their resources free of charge. Based on current growth rates it is expected that around two million people will visit the sites in 2015. With the beginning of a new academic term rapidly approaching and site downloads already exceeding 2.3 terabytes over the last twelve months it has become necessary to dramatically increase webserver capacity in order to cope with the demand.

## Webmaster Rob Bradshaw writes:

It is wonderful to know that much of the material being downloaded around the globe is being used by Bible students in countries where physical access to these articles would be impossible by any other means.

Professor. P.H.R. van Houwelingen of Theologische Universiteit Kampen [https://www.tukampen.nl/medewerkeronline/phrvanhouwelingen] in the Netherlands writes:

By the way, I am in Sao Paulo (Brazil) right now, giving guest lectures at a Presbyterian University. Their library was temporarily closed because of reorganization, so I asked the students to prepare themselves by searching for materials on www.biblicalstudies.org.uk!

Dr Tom Holland, Senior Lecturer in Pauline Studies at *Wales Evangelical School of Theology (WEST)*, [http://www.west.org.uk/dr-tom-holland/696/] writes:

Rob has done an incredibly valuable work in making vast swathes of material of available to those who are seeking a clearer understanding of the message of scripture. Many thousands around the world are thankful for the generosity of this man with his time and expertise.

## **Notes for Editors**

- Theology on the Web consists of 8 websites. In addition to the hub site [theologyonthweb.org.uk], these
  are:
  - biblicalarchaeology.org.uk
  - biblicalstudies.org.uk
  - theologicalstudies.org.uk
  - earlychurch.org.uk
  - medievalchurch.org.uk
  - reformationchurch.org.uk
  - missiology.org.uk
- Theology on the Web is not affiliated with, or funded by, any UK College, University or Charity.
- It has been developed by Rob Bradshaw in his spare time in order to provide access to high quality theological articles to Bible students and ministers in the Majority World.
- All material on the site is available free of charge.
- Copyright material always appears with the permission of the copyright holder(s).
- Many of the 70+ journals hosted on the sites are unavailable anywhere else, even via pay-foraccess databases [see http://theologyontheweb.org.uk/journals.html for a list].