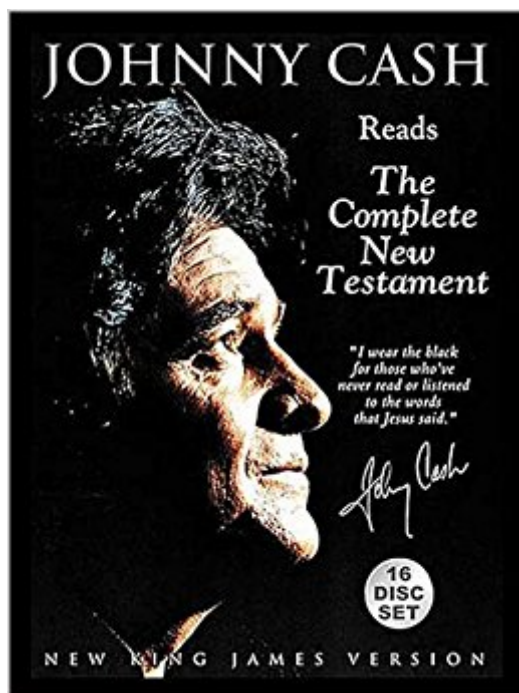


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Johnny Cash: Reads The Complete New Testament



Synopsis

The New Testament of the New King James Version is read in its entirety by music legend Johnny Cash. After 20 years of encouragement from his mother to record the Bible, he approached the recording of the New Testament with "fear, respect, awe, and reverence for the subject matter." Cash said further, "I also did it with a great deal of joy, because I love the Word." Johnny Cash Reads the Complete New Testament, is 19 hours of hearing the Word of God from one of the most distinctive voices of our time. The legend of country music shows his greatness.

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Customer Reviews

Johnny Cash had one of the most recognizable voices in American music. His talent and likeability created a fanbase with diverse musical tastes and allowed him to work with recording artists in a variety of musical genres. His career spanned over 50 years and included writing, acting, and music recording. Johnny Cash released over 70 albums in his lifetime, and won 17 Grammy Awards and 9 CMA awards.

this set was everything i could have hoped for. it was amusing that someone reviewing this product would describe Johnny Cash's reading voice as "wooden" ... have they never heard him speak or sing ? if you have heard his voice you know what to expect. personally i find his voice rich, comfortingly real, and ideally suited to a project such as this there is no annoying music in the background, which is ideal for people who suffer from diminished hearing, like me, or people who find such unwelcome additions to be nothing more than a distraction his reading is often described

as slow, but i think it might be better described as casual - about the speed he spoke in public or on TV : he typically seemed unhurried when he spoke, but having a "script" allowed him to talk faster than i'd anticipated. his cadence is not too fast, just faster than i had been led to believe the books are broken up into chapter-length files (important if you wish to rip to MP3 files as i've done) and sometimes span from one CD to another (important if you're considering getting this for an elderly person who might need to search for the next CD, as well as possibly complicating the operation of a CD player for a person with visual limitations) this is a wonderful product and i would gladly purchase it again. the only "improvement" i can suggest is offering an MP3 version for people who may lack the technical ability to convert the CDs themselves (they are Legion)

Bought this for my daughter, she loves it!!!

great

This audio Bible is great. Johnny did a fantastic job and paced himself nicely. His pronunciation is well done. I enjoy these CDs immensely. Thanks Johnny and I'll see you in heaven!

JOHNNY CASH: READS THE COMPLETE NEW TESTAMENT is a nice idea, but not very emotional or intense. Johnny mostly does a straight, monotone reading, with little inflection or emphasis for dramatic effect. He sounds like he has great reverence for the Bible, but seems a bit too unfamiliar to be comfortable adding pertinent emotions in the correct passages. This is great for folks who aren't much "into" the Bible specifically, but are willing to listen to the novelty of having Johnny Cash read from the New King James Version. It is easier to follow this narrative of the New King James Version with Johnny Cash, than another, similar celebrity project of JAMES EARL JONES--KJV--NEW TESTAMENT, which I also recommend for fans of either celebrity. James Earl Jones Reads the Bible-KJV-New Testament Johnny Cash's CDs collection of the New Testament has no background music, which is a blessing in itself, as the background music on most Bible CDs is usually distracting. There are also no commentary introductions, as often appear in non-celebrity Bible reading CDs. That's too bad, because it would have been more personal if Johnny Cash had introduced each book in his own thoughts and words. One cool aspect of this set is that the last CD is Johnny Cash reading the entire book of Revelation. Imagine that! Sound interesting and enjoyable? Buy this set! You will love it! I do! A more entertaining Bible reading would be one of the DRAMATIZED versions, with multiple voice actors, which sound a lot like a radio play.

That makes it VERY easy to follow the words being read! I would suggest the Zondervan company's NIV version for that, for most people. Go for a King James Version only if you REALLY enjoy the Olde English wording. If you are reading these reviews about the Johnny Cash New Testament CDs, then you probably will be interested enough to enjoy this CD set, and you will surely get your money's worth out of this collection. I recommend buying this!

The guy proclaims the Word of God beautifully and simply. If you're not much of a believer, it just is done well and straight forward. The New King James Version is more modern English (without all the "unto's" and "ye's" and "thou's"). Easier on the ears. Also, no accompanying music. Just him reading slowly and with understanding. The above comments are in comparison to James Earl Jones reading the New Testament. The guy has a voice like no one else, but the original King James version language - lame background music - and a whispery, monotone reading (if you can imagine James Earl Jones doing that) - makes this far inferior to Johnny Cash's.

I have been reading and studying different versions of the Bible for years. It is my favorite book to read. As a fan of audio books, it is quite natural that I should want to listen to the Bible. However, it proved to be difficult to find a set that is pleasant and satisfying to listen to. Most are read too quickly, are too monotonous or overly dramatic. Johnny reads slowly, so that the listener has time to enjoy the words, and his love for God's Word shines through. There is no musical embellishment, Johnny simply reads the text and allows it to speak for itself. Anyone should enjoy this, but I can't help thinking what an especially good gift it would be for the elderly and those who are unable to read.

This is a great way to listen to the Bible. Johnny's chill tone and deep weathered voice makes this one of the best and most enjoyable audio bibles around. I would imagine that many of the most hesitant to bible listening could soften up to the surprise of Johnny's voice reading the scriptures. Cash's coolness, rough, and relatable history that many of us can identify with, helps most anyone have "ears to hear." It is awesome how Jesus can change anyone so remarkably. Johnny Cash's testimony of his radical change by Jesus' words can be read about in his book, "When A Man Comes Around".

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