

WordPress plugin review: The Holy Scripturizer 1.8.3

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Plugin website: <http://scripturizer.wordpress.com>

Automatically converts Bible references into hyperlinks pointed to major online Bible sites. EXAMPLE: John 3:16-18.[1. This feature is operational as of the date of this post. I do not guaranty future events, so I can't be sure *The Holy Scripturizer* will be installed if you read this note some time in the distant future]

Actually, *The Holy Scripturizer* 1.8.3 performs much the same task as *WP-Bible* 1.7.10, which I reviewed last week. That is, when installed, the plugin magically creates a hyperlink to an online version of the scriptures quoted in the post. You don't have to insert any special code in the post. Once installed *The Holy Scripturizer* 1.8.3 automatically detects the presence of a Bible verse, and does the rest without any human intervention. It also, optionally displays the Bible verses in a box when you mouse-over the Bible reference. The Bible translation and mouse-over feature can be set or disabled on a system wide (NOT per individual post) basis.

As indicated in my review of *WP-Bible* 1.7.10, my minor criticism of *that* program was:

On my website, however, I found the program to be rather too much of a good thing. Specifically, I use a lot of Bible citations in the text of my posts. So as I navigate the page with my mouse, I tend to detonate those text boxes right and left. The result is rather cluttered.

The thing I personally prefer about *The Holy Scripturizer*

1.8.3, rather than *WP-Bible* 1.7.10, is that the mouse-over on *The Holy Scripturizer* closes the scripture box when you mouse-off the scripture. Therefore, you have the opportunity for one scripture box at a time. If you have a lot of Bible verses—which K_Line Christian Online does—the approach of *The Holy Scripturizer* is a lot less cluttered. Granted, this is a personal preference, and I’m sure that some people will prefer *WP-Bible* since the verse box stays open when you mouse-off the Bible verse. Both of these plugins are good programs.[2. I’ll mention one more item of note, which I can’t really hold against the program being reviewed. Specifically, one of the other plugins which I use, *Post Snippets* 1.5.1, does not work when *The Holy Scripturizer* 1.8.3 is installed and activated. To use *Post Snippets* 1.5.1, I have to first deactivate *The Holy Scripturizer*. I can then use *Post Snippets* without any problems. When I’m finished using *Post Snippets*, I simply reactivate *The Holy Scripturizer* 1.8.3. I can’t say which plugin (if either) is at *fault*. And this is only a minor inconvenience.]

Plugin Rating (out of 5 stars): ★★★★★

FOOTNOTES: