

Accordance allows you to define custom highlight styles. You can use these custom highlight styles to mark different sources (J, E, D, P) in the biblical text module within Accordance. Doing so allows you to perform complex searches within a particular style, and thus a particular source.

Creating a new highlight file:

- Go to the highlights icon and click the cog wheel and select “New Highlight File”
 - OR: go to Display>Define Highlight Style; click on the dropdown menu and select “new highlight file”
- Name the highlight file “Source Critical” or something similar and click “ok”
- Add styles within this new highlight file
 - Select a name to attach to a highlight color (J, E, D, or P)
 - Change the color as desired – I recommend “light” or “very light” colors so you can read through them.
 - When you have finished with one highlight color, move on to the next by clicking “new” and repeating the above two steps.
 - Continue until you have all four (or desired number) or sources

Apply the highlights to the biblical text:

- Go to the Hebrew Bible module on your version of Accordance
- Click the highlights icon and use the drop-down menu to select “Source Critical” (or whatever you named your highlight file)
- Highlight your biblical text by selecting the chapter, verse, or even word you want to assign to a source and then clicking the highlights icon again. Then click the source you want to assign that chapter/verse/word to. It should then be highlighted in the color you have assigned.
- Continue this process until you have completed your source critical division.

Important Note: Accordance can only search within a style if you have defined text as belonging to that style! If you want to perform a search for all the occurrences of $\psi\eta\kappa$ in P, for example, you *must* highlight all texts in the Pentateuch/Hexateuch you believe belong to P and assign them to the “P” highlight color.

To Search within a Style:

- Make sure the style you want to search within is turned on. (So, make sure when you click on “highlights” it has “source critical” turned on. Your text should be displaying the highlighted colors of the sources as you input them.)
- Enter the thing you would like to search for, in this case $\psi\eta\kappa$.
- Add the style restriction:
 - go to Search > enter command > select <AND>
 - OR (shift + command + a)
 - Then insert the name of your highlight style in place of the question mark. In the case of this example, I typed P.
 - If you want to search more than one style, P and D, for example, you have to use the <OR> command as well (shift + command + o) and use parenthesis to define your search correctly. It should look like this:

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- ([style D] <OR> [style P]) <AND> ןדק
- hit enter to perform the search
- You can also perform much more complex searches within sources. I have done construct searches within sources as well. The same principles apply – just link to the construct search from your biblical text, and add the style limitations after the link in the search bar. Use parenthesis where needed.

How to copy the list of references:

- once you have done these searches, you might want to generate a list of all of the results (for a footnote or for later reference).
- With the search results open in front of you, select all the results. (Click your cursor somewhere within the results and type command + a)
- Go to Edit > copy as > reference
- Go to your word processor and enter the paste command. The list of references will appear.