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## Using Advanced Search Engines

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# Advanced Search Engines

- Most library resources have an Advanced Search screen that helps you refine your search to get specific results. Look for a link to “Advanced Search.”
- Most Advanced Search engines have similar features that we will cover in this tutorial:
  - Field-specific searching
  - Boolean search operators
  - Refining tools to target specific types of information
- After reviewing general search principles, we will look at some specific examples from IWS library resources.

# Field-Specific Searching

- Most Advanced Search Engines allow you to search in specific fields or areas of data about a resource.
- The most frequent limiters are:
  - **Keyword** – Searches the entire record for words in any order
  - **Title** – Searches for words only in the title
  - **Author** – Searches only author names
  - **Subject** – Searches only subject headings in forms found in a thesaurus, such as the Library of Congress Subject Headings

Search for:

Keyword	▼	<input type="text"/>
Title	▼	<input type="text"/>
Author	▼	<input type="text"/>



# Search by Subject

- Most databases assign consistent subject terms.
- For example, some databases used the Library of Congress Subject Headings.
- Find a resource that addresses your topic, then search by the assigned subject terms.
- In this example, you could click on the subject links to search:

Subjects

[Lord's Supper \(Liturgy\)](#)

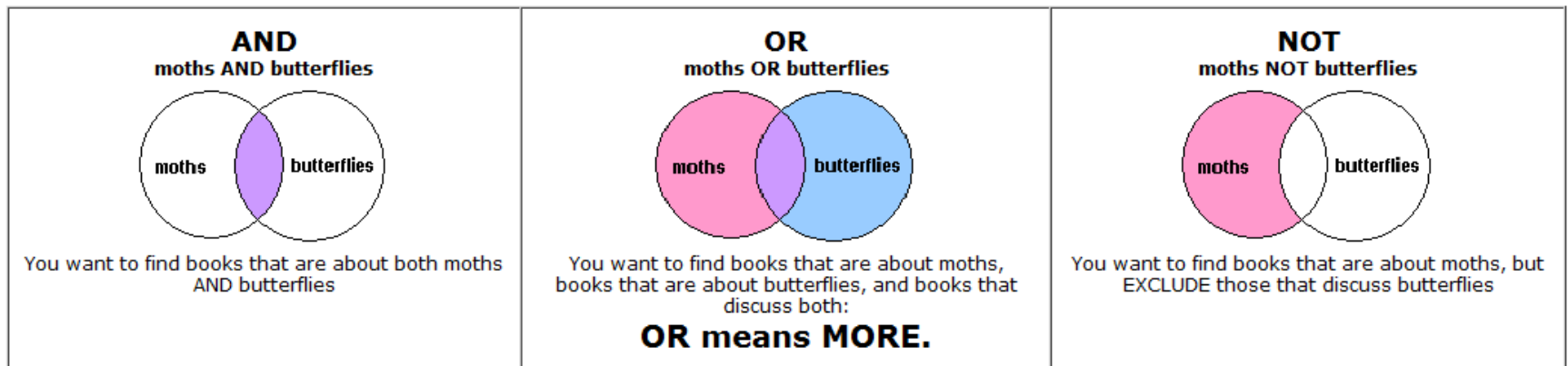
[Lord's Supper -- History.](#)

[Lord's Supper.](#)

# Boolean Search Operators

Boolean search enables you to include or exclude words in your search with “AND”, “OR”, and “NOT”. Some search engines supply these operators in pull-down menus.

- **AND:** Your search results must contain *both* of your search terms.
- **OR:** Your search results can contain *both* or *either* of your search terms.
- **NOT:** Your search results must *exclude* the term following NOT.



# Advanced Search Example

- This is the ATLA/ATLAS advanced search screen.
- You can see Boolean Search Operators to select.
- You can also see Field-Specific search choices.



Searching: [ATLA Religion Database with ATLASerials](#) | [Choose Databases](#)

	worship	TI Title	▼	Search
AND ▼	taft	AU Author	▼	
NOT ▼	liturgical press	PB Publisher	▼	





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# Refining Tools

- Many advanced search screens allow you to narrow your search to specific types of materials:
  - Full-text (the entire article is available in .pdf or .html format)
  - Peer-reviewed or scholarly (research articles reviewed by experts)
  - Publication date range
  - Format of material (text, video, etc.)

Item Types: \_\_\_\_\_

<input type="checkbox"/>  <b>BOOK</b> Book	<input type="checkbox"/>  <b>E-BOOK</b> Electronic Book
<input type="checkbox"/>  <b>VHS</b> Media (Video)	<input type="checkbox"/>  <b>PERIODICAL</b> Periodical

Limit your results \_\_\_\_\_

Full Text

Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals

Year Published

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- Be careful not to use too many limiters at first. You may exclude some important citations by narrowing too much.

# Additional Refining Tools

Authority search

Search for  containing the term(s)  sorted from

- **Browse searching** in some databases enables you to search the first few words of a title or by an author's last name to get an alphabetical list of results.
- **Phrase searching** allows you to search a group of words together, sometimes using quotation marks. For example: "shape of the liturgy" searches only those words in that order in some databases

[Brown, C. I. \(Colin I.\)](#)

[Brown, Colin, 1932-](#)

[Brown, David, 1803-1897.](#)

[Brown, Edgar S.](#)

[Brown, Francis, 1849-1916.](#)

[Brown, Frank Burch, 1948-](#)

[Brown, Harold O. J., 1933-](#)

[Brown, Henry Clifton.](#)

[Brown, Jenny.](#)

[Brown, Judith Gwyn.](#)

[Brown, Leslie, 1912-](#)




# Left-Pane Facets

## Limit To

- Full Text
- Abstract Available
- Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals

1980 Publication Date 2016

A horizontal range slider with a light gray track. The left end is labeled '1980' and the right end is labeled '2016'. Two blue vertical handles are positioned at the ends of the track, with small double-headed arrows on top of each handle.

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## Source Types

- All Results
- Academic Journals (3)
- Reviews (3)
- Essays (2)

- Many refining features can be applied by clicking on facets in the left-hand pane of the search results window. At the left are some facets from the ATLA/ATLAS database.
- The left-hand pane may also allow you to narrow your search by topic. This can be useful if you find one article that is exactly what you need, and you want to see others like it.

# IWS Library Resources

The next few screens give a few search tips for some of IWS Library's resources:

- *Subscription Databases*
  - **ATLA/ATLAS** (American Theological Library Association)
    - *ATLA Religion Database*: index of 1.6 million+ articles, book reviews, and essays in all fields of religion
    - *ATLA Serials*: full-text articles from 220 journals
  - **eBooks on EBSCO**: Small collection of digital books.
- *Selected Free Resources*
  - **WorldCat**: Catalog of thousands of libraries around the world.
  - **Google Scholar**: Google search for scholarly literature, including articles, theses, books, and abstracts.

# IWS ATLA/ATLAS and eBook Search

- ATLA/ATLAS and eBooks are on the same EBSCO platform.
- **TIP:** On the Advanced Search screen, Choose Databases to select both ATLA/ATLAS and eBooks to search at the same time.

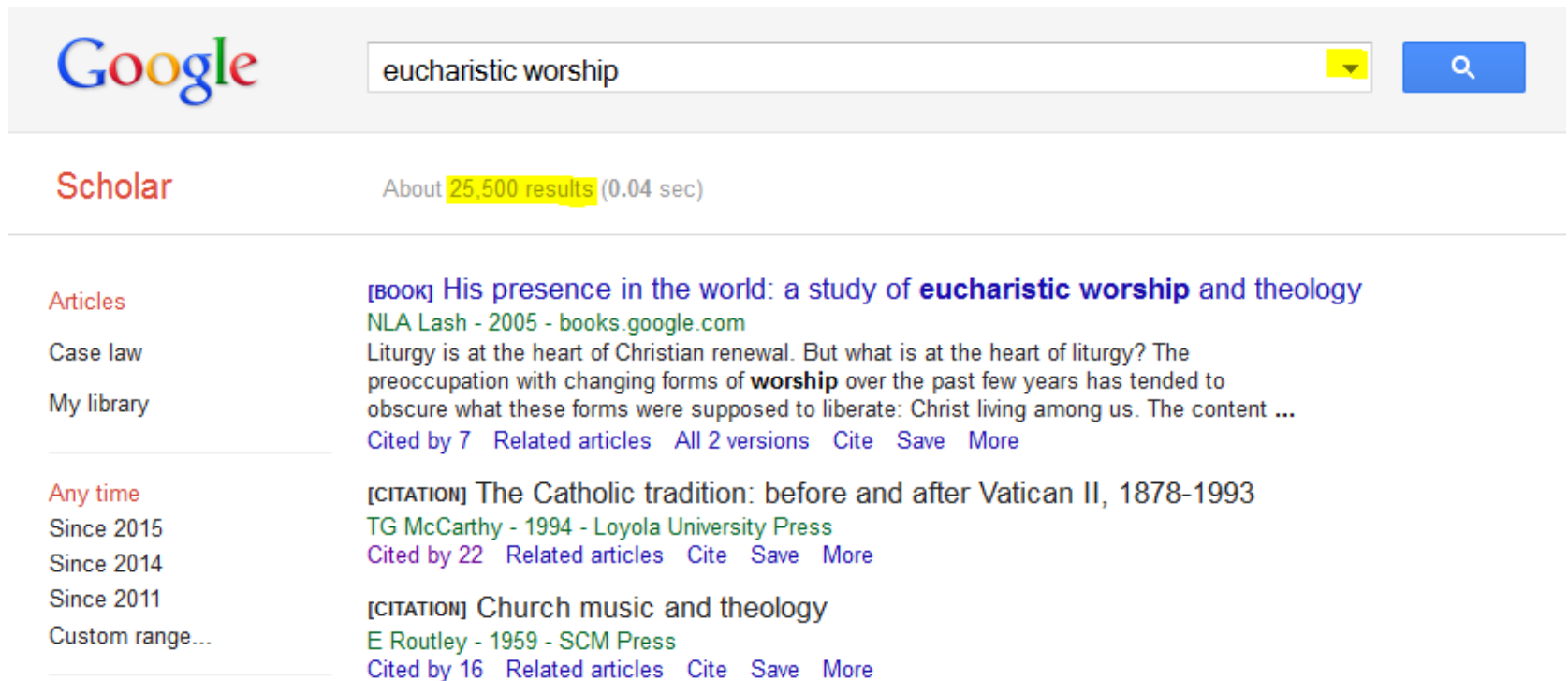
The screenshot displays the EBSCO search interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: "New Search", "Publications", "Scriptures", and "Indexes", along with a "Sign In" link. The main search area shows "Searching: ATLA Religion Database with ATLASerials" and a "Choose Databases" button. Below this is a search input field and a "Select a Field (optio..." dropdown menu. There are "Search" and "Clear" buttons. A "Choose Databases" dialog box is open in the foreground, showing a list of databases with checkboxes. The "ATLA Religion Database with ATLASerials" checkbox is checked, and the "eBook Collection (EBSCOhost)" checkbox is unchecked. The dialog box also includes "OK" and "Cancel" buttons. In the background, the "Search Options" section is visible, showing "Search Modes and Expanders" with radio buttons for "Boolean/Phrase", "Find all my search terms", "Find any of my search terms", and "SmartText Searching".

# GoogleScholar

This is a powerful Internet search tool, but . . .

- You may get too many results
- You may get many citations without access to full-text

**TIP:** Use pull-down arrow next to search box for advanced search



The screenshot shows the Google Scholar interface. At the top left is the Google logo. To its right is a search box containing the text "eucharistic worship" and a yellow pull-down arrow. Further right is a blue search button with a magnifying glass icon. Below the search box, the word "Scholar" is displayed in red. To its right, the text "About 25,500 results (0.04 sec)" is shown, with "25,500 results" highlighted in yellow. A horizontal line separates the header from the search results. On the left side, there are several filter categories: "Articles", "Case law", and "My library". Below these, there are time filters: "Any time", "Since 2015", "Since 2014", "Since 2011", and "Custom range...". The search results are listed on the right. The first result is a book titled "His presence in the world: a study of eucharistic worship and theology" by NLA Lash, published in 2005. The second result is a citation titled "The Catholic tradition: before and after Vatican II, 1878-1993" by TG McCarthy, published in 1994. The third result is a citation titled "Church music and theology" by E Routley, published in 1959. Each result includes a link to "Related articles" and options to "Cite", "Save", and "More".

**Scholar** About **25,500 results** (0.04 sec)

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**Articles** [\[BOOK\] His presence in the world: a study of eucharistic worship and theology](#)  
NLA Lash - 2005 - [books.google.com](#)

**Case law** Liturgy is at the heart of Christian renewal. But what is at the heart of liturgy? The preoccupation with changing forms of **worship** over the past few years has tended to obscure what these forms were supposed to liberate: Christ living among us. The content ...

**My library** [Cited by 7](#) [Related articles](#) [All 2 versions](#) [Cite](#) [Save](#) [More](#)

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**Any time** [\[CITATION\] The Catholic tradition: before and after Vatican II, 1878-1993](#)  
TG McCarthy - 1994 - [Loyola University Press](#)  
[Cited by 22](#) [Related articles](#) [Cite](#) [Save](#) [More](#)

**Since 2015**

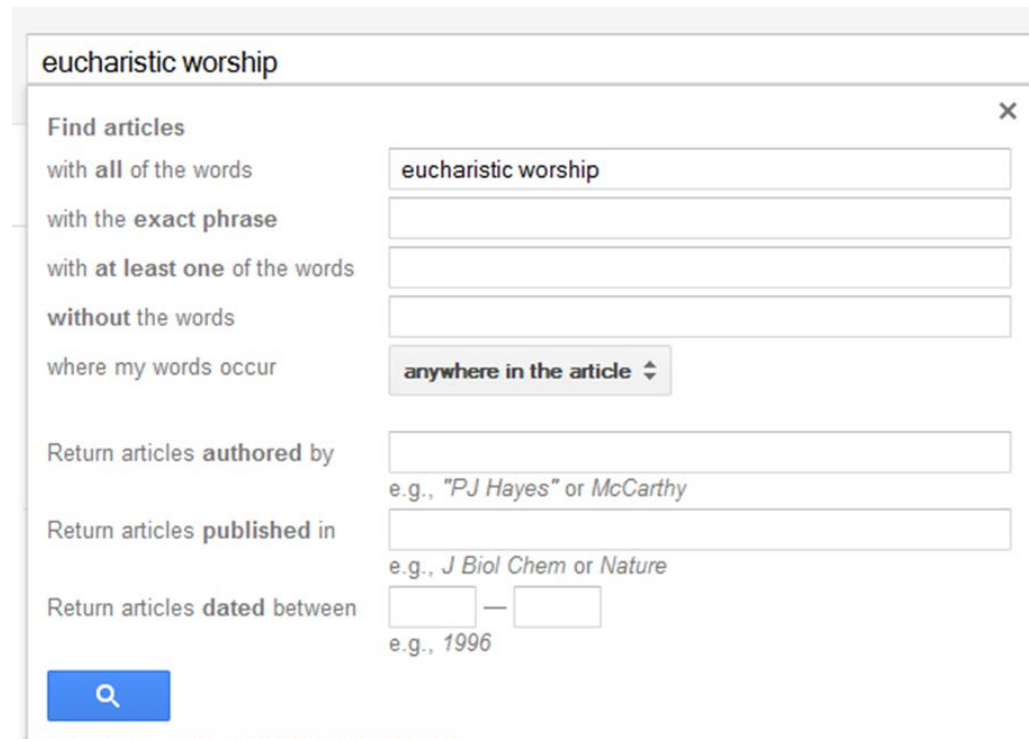
**Since 2014**

**Since 2011**

**Custom range...** [\[CITATION\] Church music and theology](#)  
E Routley - 1959 - [SCM Press](#)  
[Cited by 16](#) [Related articles](#) [Cite](#) [Save](#) [More](#)

# GoogleScholar Advanced Search

- You can see many common tools such as Boolean operators, phrase searching, field-specific searching, and date range limiters in Google Scholar Advanced Search.



The screenshot displays the Google Scholar Advanced Search interface. At the top, the search term "eucharistic worship" is entered in a text box. Below this, there are several sections for refining the search:

- Find articles** (with a close button 'x'):
  - with all of the words**: Input field containing "eucharistic worship".
  - with the exact phrase**: Empty input field.
  - with at least one of the words**: Empty input field.
  - without the words**: Empty input field.
  - where my words occur**: Dropdown menu set to "anywhere in the article".
- Return articles authored by**: Input field with the example text "e.g., 'PJ Hayes' or McCarthy".
- Return articles published in**: Input field with the example text "e.g., J Biol Chem or Nature".
- Return articles dated between**: Two input fields separated by a hyphen, with the example text "e.g., 1996".

A blue search button with a magnifying glass icon is located at the bottom left of the form.

# WorldCat.org

- The main page of WorldCat has tabs to limit by material format, and also a link to an advanced search screen.

**TIP: Use WorldCat to find resources in a library near you.**



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