Typesetting Bible texts with the **bible** package

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1 Introduction

This package allows you to add Bible texts by specifying references, rather than copying the text into the document.

Under the hood, this uses the `bible` command, for which you need to install `bible-kjv`. This means that by default you will have the KJV translation. Because of the need for this package and other implementation details, this package won't work on Windows.

Because this package uses a binary program under the hood (which is a potential security vulnerability), you need to add the `-shell-escape` option to the command line arguments of your TeX processor.

2 Installation and source code

The bible package is available from CTAN: `https://ctan.org/pkg/bibletext`. The source code is on GitHub: `https://github.com/camilstaps/bibletext`.

3 Examples

```
\bibletext{Jn 1:1-2}
```

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God.

```
\bibletext[ref=true]{Jn 1:1-2}
```

1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 1:2 The same was in the beginning with God.

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```
\bibletext[ref=true,omitrepeatedchapter=true]{Jn 1:1-2}
```

1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God.

```
\bibletext[ref=true,omitchapter=true]{Jn 1:1-2}
```

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God.

4 Future work

- When `omitrepeatedchapter=true`, the chapter should again be outputted when a new chapter has begun.

- The verse indications should be parsed and a `\versefont` command should be defined.

- Implement the `translation` option to allow the writer to select a specific translation.

5 Incompatibilities

The bible package needs to pipe shell commands, for which it needs to do `\DeleteShortVerb{\|}`. This means that you cannot use `|foo|` as shorthand for `\verb|foo|`[1].

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[1] Credits go to egreg on TeX.SE, `http://tex.stackexchange.com/q/294732/23992`.