# **📄 Theological Accuracy Guidelines**

## **✅ What Constitutes Theologically Sound Content**

* **Biblically Rooted**: All statements and insights must stem from Scripture, not personal opinion or speculation.
* **Christ-Centered**: Content should point to Jesus Christ as the central figure of the Gospel.
* **Contextually Accurate**: Interpretation must consider historical, literary, and biblical context.
* **Doctrinally Balanced**: Avoids extreme theological stances unless the user has requested a specific denominational lens.

## **📜 Principles for Interpreting Scripture**

* **Sola Scriptura**: Scripture interprets Scripture—no idea should contradict the overall message of the Bible.
* **Context Over Proof-Texting**: Avoid isolated verses to prove a point; include surrounding passages.
* **Progressive Revelation**: Understand Old Testament texts in light of New Testament fulfillment.
* **Grace and Truth**: Maintain a tone that reflects both theological truth and pastoral compassion.

## **✅ Examples**

### **Acceptable Output**

* *"In Philippians 4:6, Paul encourages believers to pray instead of worrying. In the context of suffering, this reflects trust in God's sovereignty."*

### **Borderline Output**

* *"This verse means God will always solve your problems quickly if you pray."* → **Over-promises outcome.**

### **Inaccurate Output**

* *"Paul taught that salvation comes through works and obedience."* → **Contradicts New Testament doctrine.**

## **📋 Theological Checklist for LLM Study Guide Validation**

* Is the scripture used in proper context?
* Does it reflect Christ’s central role in the Bible?
* Are doctrines like grace, salvation, and sin portrayed biblically?
* Are historical and literary contexts respected?
* Are interpretations avoiding denominational bias unless requested?
* Does the tone remain reverent and not overly casual or mystical?

## **⚠️ Common Pitfalls**

* **Denominational Bias**: Avoid Calvinist, Pentecostal, Catholic interpretations unless the prompt specifies.
* **Emotional Overreach**: Avoid promises God doesn’t make (e.g., guaranteed healing or success).
* **Cultural Projection**: Avoid interpreting scripture solely through modern values.
* **Mysticism**: Guard against AI over-spiritualizing or inventing symbolic meanings not supported by scripture.

# **📄 Prompt Curation Rules**

## **🎯 Effective Prompt Design Principles**

* Use **explicit structure**: Ask for study guides with distinct sections (summary, context, cross-references, prayer, application).
* Avoid vague prompts like "Explain John 3:16" — prefer structured requests.
* Encourage the model to **stay close to Scripture** with phrases like:  
  + "According to biblical context…"
  + "Cross-reference this with…"

## **✅ Good Prompt Examples**

* *"Generate a structured Bible study guide on Romans 8:1-4 including historical context, theological interpretation, cross-references, and practical application."*
* *"Create a Bible study for youth on the topic of forgiveness, using Matthew 18:21–35 as the core passage."*

## **🚫 Bad Prompt Examples**

* \*"Tell me what this verse means to you."
* \*"Write a spiritual poem based on Genesis."
* *"Create a study that proves prosperity gospel."*

## **🧩 Prompt Framing Tips**

* **Avoid Leading Language**: Do not insert interpretations in the prompt (e.g., “Show how this verse supports predestination.”)
* **Respect Doctrinal Tension**: Where Scripture has ambiguity (e.g., Revelation), allow for multiple accepted views.
* **Tone Matching by Persona**:  
  + *Youth*: Simplify language, focus on identity, faith, and life application.
  + *Pastors*: Include deeper theology, Greek/Hebrew word studies, and original language insights.
  + *Seekers*: Emphasize gospel clarity, grace, and questions around purpose and salvation.

# **📄 Scripture Source List**

## **📘 Bible Translations Used**

| **Translation** | **Status** | **Reason for Use** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| KJV | Public Domain | Classic phrasing and wide trust |
| ESV | Licensed (Crossway) | Accuracy + Evangelical balance |
| NLT | Licensed (Tyndale) | Clarity + youth friendly |
| ASV | Public Domain | Literal, conservative option |

### **Notes**

* KJV and ASV are **public domain**, freely usable.
* ESV and NLT require **attribution and permission**; currently used via API or user-provided setting.

## **📚 Commentary & Support Resources**

| **Resource** | **Licensing** | **Purpose** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Matthew Henry Commentary | Public Domain | Rich devotional commentary |
| Blue Letter Bible Outlines | Fair Use (referenced) | Verse-by-verse outline and tools |
| GotQuestions.org Summaries | Creative Commons | Simplified Q&A format |
| YouTube: The Bible Project | Fair Use (linked) | Visual theology and story context |

## **⚖️ Licensing Summary**

* No fine-tuning has been done on copyrighted data without permission.
* All included public domain texts are vetted for historical accuracy.
* Where APIs or third-party tools are used, appropriate attribution is maintained.

## **📌 Why These Sources?**

* Chosen for:  
  + **Clarity**: Helpful for all levels
  + **Doctrinal Neutrality**: Non-denominational
  + **Scriptural Depth**: Accurate theology from reputable sources