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Ezekiel

33:7 So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me.

33:8 When I say unto the wicked, O wicked *man*, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

33:9 Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

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The Watchman's Report

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The King James Version is public property and has NO copyright attachment.
This in itself says something about the accuracy of some Bibles on the market today.

It is not my aim to discuss religion or the merits of any Church but simply to point out where problems arise and where they conflict with the Word. I will not even offer an opinion as I would then be as guilty as the people that have contaminated the Word of GOD so shamelessly over the last two thousand years for reasons known only to themselves. I have identified all reference points that I have relied on as they appear and I sincerely believe that I have not breached any ones copyright requirements. All of the material used was taken from the Internet over a period of several years and I have retained hard copies of all materials used.

In some places I have downloaded material from the Internet and I have included the links so that the reader can confirm what I have found.

I cannot see any sense in reinventing the wheel and I thank God for directing my searches and showing me what He wanted.

My name is Kevin Donovan and I live in Rockhampton Queensland with my wife Linda.

Several years ago I started studying Scripture after our son was involved in a boating accident which, according to doctors, should have been fatal.

After I became a Born Again Christian I discovered that **Acts 8:37** had been left out of my N.I.V. Bible and when I queried this I was told:

“Don’t worry about it. It does not Matter”

Ten years later God told me that it matters as much as anything could and commanded me to write this book.

I have no ulterior motive for this book excepting being obedient to God’s Word and I thank him for the challenge and I pray that this is acceptable to Him.

Isa 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

What does your Bible say here?

Who is the Morning Star?

Re 22:16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, *and* the bright and morning star.

Isa 40:8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

The King James Bible has three warnings to the people who God knew would change His Word. One is near the front. The other is near the middle and the last one is at the very end. Let's read them.

Deuteronomy 4:2

2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

PROVERBS 30:5-6

5 Every word of God is pure: He is a shield unto them that put their trust in Him.

6 Add thou not to his words, lest He reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.

REVELATION 22:18-19

18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

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Matthew:

5:22 But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother **without a cause** shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

5:27 Ye have heard that it was said **by them of old time,** Thou shalt not commit adultery:

6:13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: **For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

9:35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease **among the people.**

12:35 A good man out of the good treasure **of the heart** bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

15:8 This people **draweth nigh unto me with their mouth,** and honoureth me with *their* lips; but their heart is far from me.

17:21 **Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.** Left Out.

18:11 **For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.** Left Out.

18:29 And his fellowservant fell down **at his feet,** and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

19:20 The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet?

20:7 They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; **and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.**

20:16 So the last shall be first, and the first last: **for many be called, but few chosen.**

20:22 But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, **and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?** They say unto him, We are able

20:23 And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, **and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with:** but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but *it shall be given to them* for whom it is prepared of my Father.

22:13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and **take him away, and** cast *him* into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

23:3 All therefore whatsoever they bid you **observe**, *that* **observe** and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not

23:14 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.** **Left Out**

25:13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour **wherein the Son of man cometh.**

26:60 But found none: yea, though many **false witnesses** came, *yet* found they none. At the last came two **false witnesses.**

27:35 And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: **that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots**

Mark:

1:14 Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel **of the kingdom of God.**

2:17 When Jesus heard *it*, he saith unto them, **They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.**

3 :5 And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, **Stretch forth thine hand**. And he stretched *it* out: and his hand was restored **whole as the other**.

3:15 And to have power **to heal sicknesses, and** to cast out devils:

4:4 And it came to pass, as he sowed, some fell by the way side, and the fowls **of the air** came and devoured it up.

6:11 And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. **Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.**

6:36 Send them away, that they may go into the country round about, and into the villages, and buy themselves **bread: for they have nothing to eat.**

7:2 And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with defiled, that is to say, with unwashen, hands, **they found fault.**

7:16 **If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.** Left Out.

9:29 And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer **and fasting.**

9:44 **Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.** Left Out

9:45 And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, **into the fire that never shall be quenched:**

9:46 **Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.** Left Out.

9:49 For every one shall be salted with fire, **and every sacrifice shall be salted with salt**

10:24 And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it **for them that trust in riches** to enter into the kingdom of God!

11:10 Blessed *be* the kingdom of our father David, that cometh **in the name of the Lord:** Hosanna in the highest.

11:26 **But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.** Left Out

12:4 And again he sent unto them another servant; **and at him they cast stones,** and wounded *him* in the head, and sent *him* away shamefully handled.

12:30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: **this is the first commandment.**

12:33 And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, **and with all the soul,** and with all the strength, and to love *his* neighbour as himself, is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices

13:14 But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, **spoken of by Daniel the prophet,** standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,) then let them that be in Judaea flee to the mountains:

14:19 And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, **Is it I?** and another *said,* **Is it I?**

14:27 And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended **because of me this night:** for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered.

14:70 And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely thou art *one* of them: for thou art a Galilaean, **and thy speech agreeth thereto.**

15:28 **And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors.** Left Out

Luke:

1:28 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, *thou that art* highly favoured, the Lord *is* with thee: **blessed art thou among women.**

1:29 **And when she saw him,** she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.

1:78 Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high **hath visited us,**

4:4 And Jesus answered him, saying, **It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.**

4:8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, **Get thee behind me, Satan:** for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

4 :18 The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me **to heal the brokenhearted,** to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

4:41 And devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, Thou art **Christ** the Son of God. And he rebuking *them* suffered them not to speak: for they knew that he was **Christ.**

5:38 **But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved.**

6:10 And looking round about upon them all, he said unto the man, **Stretch forth thy hand.** And he did so: and his hand was restored **whole as the other.**

6:45 A good man out of the good **treasure of his heart** bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

7:10 And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole **that had been sick.**

7:31 **And the Lord said,** Whereunto then shall I liken the men of this generation? and to what are they like?

8:45 And Jesus said, **Who touched me?** When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press *thee,* **and sayest thou, Who touched me?**

8:54 **« And he put them all out,** and took her by the hand, and called, saying, **Maid, arise.**

9:54 And when his disciples James and John saw *this*, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, **even as Elias did?**

9:55 But he turned, and rebuked them, **and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of.**

9:56 **For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them.** And they went to another village.

10:35 And on the morrow **when he departed,** he took out two pence, and gave *them* to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

11:2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. **Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.**

11:4 And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; **but deliver us from evil.**

11:11 If a son shall ask **bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask** a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

11:29 ¶ And when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say, This is an evil generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas **the prophet.**

11:44 Woe unto you, **scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for ye are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over *them* are not aware *of them*.

11:54 Laying wait for him, and seeking to catch something out of his mouth, **that they might accuse him.**

17:9 Doth he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded **him? I trow not.**

17:36 **Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.** Left Out

19:5 And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, **and saw him,** and said unto him, *Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house*

20:23 But he perceived their craftiness, and said unto them, **Why tempt ye me?**

20:30 And the second **took her to wife, and he died childless.**

22:31 **And the Lord said,** *Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat:*

22:64 And when they had blindfolded him, they **struck him on the face, and** asked him, saying, Prophecy, who is it that smote thee?

22:68 *And if I also ask you, ye will not answer **me, nor let me go.***

23:17 **(For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast.)** Left Out

23:23 And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them **and of the chief priests** prevailed.

23:38 And a superscription also **was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew,** THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

24:1 ¶ Now upon the first *day* of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, **and certain others with them.**

24:42 And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, **and of an honeycomb.**

John:

3:13 *And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man **which is in heaven.***

3:15 *That whosoever believeth in him should **not perish, but** have eternal life.*

4:42 And said unto the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard *him* ourselves, and know that this is indeed **the Christ**, the Saviour of the world.

5:3 In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, **waiting for the moving of the water.**

5:4 **For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had.** Left Out.

5:16 And therefore did the Jews persecute Jesus, **and sought to slay him,** because he had done these things on the sabbath day.

6:11 And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed **to the disciples, and the disciples** to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

6:47 *Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth **on me** hath everlasting life.*

8:9 And they which heard *it*, **being convicted by their own conscience,** went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, *even* unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst.

8:10 When Jesus had lifted up himself, **and saw none but the woman,** he said unto her, *Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee?*

8:59 Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, **going through the midst of them, and so passed by.**

9:11 He answered and said, A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, Go to **the pool of** Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I received sight.

10:26 *But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, **as I said unto you.***

11:41 Then they took away the stone **from the place where the dead was laid.** And Jesus lifted up *his* eyes, and said, *Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.*

12:1 Then Jesus six days before the passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was **which had been dead**, whom he raised from the dead.

17:12 While I was with them **in the world**, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, **but the son of perdition**; that the scripture might be fulfilled.

19:16 ¶ Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, **and led him away**.

Acts:

2:23 Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, **ye have taken**, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:

7:30 ¶ And when forty years were expired, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount Sina an angel **of the Lord** in a flame of fire in a bush.

7:37 This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; **him shall ye hear**.

8:37 **And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.**
Left Out.

9:5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, **I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.**

10:6 He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea side: **he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do.**

10:21 Then Peter went down to the men **which were sent unto him from Cornelius**; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what *is* the cause wherefore ye are come?

10:32 Send therefore to Joppa, and call hither Simon, whose surname is Peter; he is lodged in the house of *one* Simon a tanner by the sea side: **who, when he cometh, shall speak unto thee.**

15:24 Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, **Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law:** to whom we gave no *such* commandment:

15:34 **Notwithstanding it pleased Silas to abide there still.** Left Out.

17:5 But the Jews **which believed not,** moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people.

18:21 But bade them farewell, saying, **I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem:** but I will return again unto you, if God will. And he sailed from Ephesus.

21:8 ¶ And the next *day* we **that were of Paul's company** departed, and came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was *one* of the seven; and abode with him.

21:25 As touching the Gentiles which believe, we have written *and* **concluded that they observe no such thing, save only** that they keep themselves from *things* offered to idols, and from blood, and from strangled, and from fornication.

22:9 And they that were with me saw indeed the light, **and were afraid;** but they heard not the voice of him that spake to me.

22:20 And when the blood of thy martyr Stephen was shed, I also was standing by, and consenting **unto his death,** and kept the raiment of them that slew him.

24:6 Who also hath gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, **and would have judged according to our law.**

24:7 **But the chief captain Lysias came upon us, and with great violence took him away out of our hands,** Left Out

24:8 **Commanding his accusers to come unto thee:** by examining of whom thyself mayest take knowledge of all these things, whereof we accuse him.

24:15 And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection **of the dead,** both of the just and unjust.

24:26 He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, **that he might loose him:** wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him.

28:29 **And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.** Left Out

Romans:

1:16 ¶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel **of Christ:** for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

3:22 Even the righteousness of God *which is* by faith of Jesus Christ unto all **and upon all** them that believe: for there is no difference:

8:1 ¶ *There is* therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, **who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.**

9:31 But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law **of righteousness.**

9:32 Wherefore? Because *they sought it* not by faith, but as it were by the works **of the law.** For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;

10:15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them **that preach the gospel of peace,** and bring glad tidings of good things!

11:6 And if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. **But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.**

14:6 He that regardeth the day, regardeth *it* unto the Lord; **and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard it. He that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for he giveth God thanks; and he that eateth not, to the Lord he eateth not, and giveth God thanks.**

14:21 *It is* good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor *any thing* whereby thy brother stumbleth, **or is offended, or is made weak.**

15:24 Whensoever I take my journey into Spain, **I will come to you:** for I trust to see you in my journey, and to be brought on my way thitherward by you, if first I be somewhat filled with your *company*.

15:29 And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing **of the gospel** of Christ.

16:24 **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.** Left Out

1 Corinthians:

5:7 ¶ Purge out therefore the old leaven that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed **for us:**

6:20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, **and in your spirit, which are God's.**

9:18 What is my reward then? *Verily* that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel **of Christ** without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel.

10:23 ¶ All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful **for me**, but all things edify not.

10:28 But if any man say unto you, This is offered in sacrifice unto idols, eat not for his sake that shewed it, and for conscience sake: **for the earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof**

11:24 And when he had given thanks, he brake *it*, and said, **Take, eat:** this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.

11:29 For he that eateth and drinketh **unworthily**, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, **not discerning the Lord's body.**

15:47 The first man *is* of the earth, earthy: the second man *is* **the Lord** from heaven.

2 Corinthians:

8:4 Praying us with much intreaty **that we would receive the gift, and take upon us the fellowship of the ministering to the saints.**

12:11 ¶ I am become a fool **in glorying**; ye have compelled me: for I ought to have been commended of you: for in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, though I be nothing

13:2 I told you before, and foretell you, as if I were present, the second time; and being absent now **I write** to them which heretofore have sinned, and to all other, that, if I come again, I will not spare:

Galatians:

3:1 « ¶ O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, **that ye should not obey the truth**, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

3:17 And this I say, *that* the covenant, that was confirmed before of God **in Christ**, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.

4:7 **Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.**

Ephesians:

3:9 And to make all *men* see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, **which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:**

3:14 ¶ For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father **of our Lord Jesus Christ**,

4:17 ¶ This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as **other** Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,

5:30 For we are members of his body, **of his flesh, and of his bones.**

Philippians

3:16 Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same **rule, let us mind the same thing.**

Colossians

1:2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father **and the Lord Jesus Christ.**

1:14 In whom we have redemption **through his blood**, *even* the forgiveness of sins:

2:2 That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, **and of the Father, and** of Christ;

2:11 In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body **of the sins** of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:

1Thessalonians:

1:1¶ Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians *which is* in God the Father and *in* the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, **from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.**

2 Thessalonians

2:4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he **as God** sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

1 Timothy:

2:7 Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth **in Christ**, *and* lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity.

3:3 Not given to wine, no striker, **not greedy of filthy lucre**; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous;

3:16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: **God** was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

4:12 Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, **in spirit**, in faith, in purity.

5:4 **But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew piety at home, and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God.**

5:16 If any **man or** woman that believeth have widows, let them relieve them, and let not the church be charged; that it may relieve them that are widows indeed.

6:5 Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: **from such withdraw thyself.**

6:7 For we brought nothing into *this* world, **and it is certain** we can carry nothing out

2 Timothy:

1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher **of the Gentiles.**

Hebrews:

1:3 Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had **by himself** purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

2:7 Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour, **and didst set him over the works of thy hands:**

3:6 **But Christ as a son over his own house:** whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope **firm unto the end.**

8:12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, **and their sins** and their iniquities will I remember no more.

10:9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, **O God.** He taketh away the first that he may establish the second.

10:30 For we know him that hath said, Vengeance *belongeth* unto me, I will recompense, **saith the Lord.** And again, The Lord shall judge his people.

11:11 Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and **was delivered of a child** when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.

11:13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off and **were persuaded of them,** and embraced *them*, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

12:20 (For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, **or thrust through with a dart:**

1 Peter:

1:22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth **through the Spirit** unto unfeigned love of the brethren, *see that ye* love one another with a pure heart fervently

4:1 ¶ Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered **for us** in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;

4:14 If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy *are ye*; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: **on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified.**

1John:

2:7 ¶ Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard **from the beginning.**

4:3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus **Christ is come in the flesh** is not of God: and this is that *spirit* of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

5:7 For there are three that bear record **in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.**

5:13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, **and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.**

Revelation:

1:8 I am Alpha and Omega, **the beginning and the ending,** saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

1:11 Saying, **I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and,** What thou seest, write in a book, and send *it* unto the seven churches **which are in Asia;** unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

5:14 And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four *and* twenty elders fell down and worshipped **him that liveth for ever and ever.**

11:1 ¶ And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: **and the angel stood,** saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.

11:17 Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, **and art to come;** because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.

14:12 Here is the patience of the saints: **here are they** that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

15:2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, **and over his mark,** *and* over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

16:5 And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, **O Lord**, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus

16:7 And I heard **another out of** the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous *are* thy judgments.

16:14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, *which* go forth unto the kings **of the earth and** of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

19:1 ¶ And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto **the Lord** our God:

21:24 And the nations **of them which are saved** shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

The Words of GOD

Here is what GOD tells us about His Words.

Ps 12:6 The words of the LORD *are* pure words: *as* silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.

Ps 12:7 Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.

Ps 33:6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.

Ps 107:20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered *them* from their destructions.

Ps 119:89 For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

Ps 147:18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, *and* the waters flow.

Mt 5:18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Mt 5:19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Joh 1:1 ¶ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Joh 1:18 No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared *him*.

Joh 17:17 ¶ Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

1Jo 1:1 ¶ That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life;

Heb 4:12 For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Re 19:13 And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

2Ti 3:16 All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

The Bible so called because the writers of its several books were God's organs in communicating his will to men.

It is his "word," because he speaks to us in its sacred pages. Whatever the inspired writers here declare to be true and binding upon us, God declares to be true and binding.

This word is infallible, because it is written under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and therefore free from all error of fact or doctrine or precept.

All saving knowledge is obtained from the word of God. By the gracious influence of the Holy Spirit that extraordinary or supernatural divine influence vouchsafed to those who wrote the Holy Scriptures, rendering their writings infallible.

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God" This is true of all the "sacred writings," not in the sense of their being works of genius or of supernatural insight, but as "breathed into by God" in such a sense that the writers were supernaturally guided to express exactly what God intended them to express as a revelation of his mind and will.

The testimony of the sacred writers themselves abundantly demonstrates this truth; and if they are infallible as teachers of doctrine, then the doctrine of plenary inspiration must be accepted.

There are no errors in the Bible as it came from God; none have been proved to exist. **Difficulties and phenomena we cannot explain are not errors.** All these books of the Old and New Testaments are inspired.

I do not say that they contain, but that they are, the Word of God. The gift of inspiration rendered the writers the organs of God, for the infallible communication of his mind and will, in the very manner and words in which it was originally given.

As to the nature of inspiration I have no information. I only know it rendered the writers infallible. They were all equally inspired, and are all equally infallible. The inspiration of the sacred writers did not change their characters. They retained all their individual peculiarities as thinkers or writers.

Pe 1:23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever.

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In a note to readers the publishers say;

Nearly four hundred years ago, a committee of fifty scholars was commissioned by King James 1 to create a new translation of the Bible in English. Their work, now known as the Authorized Version or the King James Version, was to stand as a milestone in Christian history. It became a cornerstone of English speaking cultures around the world and the standard of grace and elegance against which all other English translations are measured.

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The goal of any Bible translation is to convey the meaning and content of the ancient Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek texts as accurately as possible to contemporary readers.

A central goal of the NLT translators was to create a text that would communicate as clearly and powerfully to today's readers as the original texts did to readers in the ancient biblical world. The resulting NLT text is easy to read and understand, while accurately communicating the Bible's content and meaning.

Now these two monumental works are combined into one convenient volume. The classic beauty and grace of the King James Version is side by side with the contemporary, easy to understand New Living Translation. We present the People's Parallel Edition with the prayer that God will use it to speak his timeless truth to the church and to the world in a fresh new way.

The Publishers

Who were the Translators?

Although fifty-four men were nominated, only forty-seven were known to have taken part in the work of translation. The translators were organized into six groups, and met respectively at Westminster, Cambridge, and Oxford.

Ten at Westminster were assigned Genesis through 2 Kings;

Dr Lancelot Andrewes, Dean of Westminster. He was certainly a Superior King James Bible Translator. He had mastered fifteen languages. Someone said that if Dr Andrewes had been present at the confusion of tongues at the tower of Babel, he could have served as interpreter general.

Mr. William Bedwell, of St John's College, Cambridge. He was famed in Arabic learning. In fact, he published in *quarto*, an edition of the Epistles of St. John in Arabic with a Latin version. Dr Bedwell left many Arabic manuscripts in the University of Cambridge, with numerous notes and a font of types for printing them. In fact, he wrote an Arabic lexicon, or dictionary, in three volumes. He also began a Persian dictionary which is among Archbishop Laud's manuscripts, still preserved in the Bodleian Library at Oxford today.

Dr Francis Burleigh, Pembroke Hall Cambridge.

Dr Richard Clarke, Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge.

Mr. Jeffrey King, Fellow of King's College, Cambridge.

Dr John Layfield, Fellow of Trinity College.

Dr John Overall, Dean of St. Paul's.

Dr Hadrian Saravia, Canon of Canterbury.

Dr Robert Tigue, Archdeacon of Middlesex.

Mr. Richard Thomson, Clare Hall, Cambridge.

Seven had Romans through Jude.

Dr William Barlow, Dean of Chester.

Mr. William Dakins, Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge.

Dr Roger Fenton, Fellow of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge.

Dr Ralph Hutchinson, Archbishop of St Alban's.

Mr. Michael Rabbett, Trinity College, Cambridge.

Dr Thomas Sanderson, Balliol College, Oxford

Dr John Spenser, President Corpus Christi College, Oxford

Oxford employed seven to translate Isaiah through Malachi;

Dr Richard Brett, Fellow of Lincoln College.

Dr Daniel Featley (also known as Daniel Fairclough) Fellow of New College.

Dr John Harding, President of Magdalen College.

Dr Thomas Holland, Rector of Exeter College.

Mr. Richard Kilby, Rector of Lincoln College.

Dr John Rainolds, President of Corpus Christi College.

Dr Miles Smith, Canon of Hereford. He was an expert in Hebrew, in Chaldee, in Syriac, and in Arabic. They were almost as familiar to him as his native tongue.

Eight occupied themselves with the Gospels, Acts, and Revelation.

Dr George Abbot, Dean of Winchester.

Dr George Aglionby, Rector of Blechindon.

Dr John Harmer, Fellow of New College.

Dr Leonard Hutton, Bishop of Gloucester.

Dr John Perin, Fellow of St. John's College.

Dr Thomas Ravis, Fellow of St. John's College.

Sir Henry Saville, Provost of Eaton, was proficient in both Greek and Mathematics. He became tutor in these two subjects to Queen Elizabeth. Saville translated the histories of Cornelius Tacitus and published the same with notes. Dr Giles Thomsen, Dean of Windsor.

At Cambridge, eight worked on 1 Chronicles through Ecclesiastes.

Mr. Roger Andrews, Master of Jesus College.

Mr. Andrew Bing, Fellow of St. Peter's College.

Mr. Laurence Chaderton, Master of Emmanuel College.

Mr. Francis Dillingham Fellow of Christ's College.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, Vice Master of Trinity College.

Mr. Edward Lively, Fellow of Trinity College.

Mr. John Richardson Master of Trinity College.

Mr. Robert Spalding, fellow of St. John's College.

While seven others handled the Apocrypha.

Dr John Bois, Fellow of St John's College (later he edited Rom-Rev.). He was expert in Hebrew as well as Greek. He studied at his father's knee. In fact, at the age of five, he had read the whole Bible in HEBREW!! At the age of six, John Bois was able to write Hebrew in a clear and elegant style. If you know anything about the Hebrew letters, it's difficult to write in an elegant style, or in any style, for that matter.

Dr William Braithwaite, Master of Caius College.

Mr. Andrew Downes, Fellow of St. John's College.

Dr John Duport, Master of Jesus College.

Dr Jeremy Radcliffe, Fellow of Trinity College.

Dr Samuel Ward, Master of Sidney College.

Mr. Robert Ward, Fellow of King's College.

These Translators were great scholars. Some while waxing eloquent in Latin or Greek, fared rather poorly with their native English.

Fifteen general rules were advanced for the guidance of the translators:

1. The ordinary Bible read in the Church, commonly called the Bishops Bible, to be followed, and as little altered as the Truth of the original will permit.
2. The names of the Prophets, and the Holy Writers, with the names of the text, to be retained, as nigh as may be, accordingly as they were vulgarly used.
3. The old Ecclesiastical Words to be kept, viz, the Word Church not to be translated Congregation &c.
4. When a word hath divers Significations, that to be kept which hath been most commonly used by the most of the Ancient Fathers, being agreeable to the Propriety of the Place, and the Analogy of the Faith.
5. The division of the Chapters to be altered, either not at all, or as little as may be, if necessity so require.
6. No Marginal Notes at all to be affixed, but only for the explanation of the Hebrew or Greek Words, which cannot without some circumlocution, so briefly and fitly be expressed in the Text.
7. Such Quotations of Places to be marginally set down as shall serve for the fit Reference of one Scripture to another.
8. Every particular Man of each Company, to take the same Chapter or Chapters, and having translated or amended them severally by himself, where he thinketh good, all to meet together, confer what they have done, and agree for their Parts what shall stand.
9. As any one Company hath dispatched any one book in this manner they shall send it to the rest, to be considered of seriously and judiciously, for His Majesty is very careful in this Point.
10. If any Company, upon the Review of the Book so sent, doubt or differ upon any Place, to send them Word thereof; note the Place, and withal send the Reasons, to which if they consent not, the Difference to be compounded at the general Meeting, which is to be of the chief Persons of each Company, at the end of the work.

11. When any Place of special Obscurity is doubted of, Letters to be directed by Authority, to send to any Learned Man in the Land, for his Judgment of such a Place.
12. Letters to be sent from every Bishop to the rest of his Clergy, admonishing them of this Translation in hand; and to move and charge as many skilful in the Tongues; and having taken pains in that kind, to send his particular Observations to the Company, either at Westminster, Cambridge, or Oxford.
13. The directors in each Company, to be the Deans of Westminster, and Chester for that Place; and the King's Professors in the Hebrew or Greek in either University.
14. These translations to be used when they agree better with the Text than the Bishop's Bible: Tyndale's, Matthew's, Coverdale's, Whitchurch's, Geneva.
15. Besides the said Directors before mentioned, three or four of the most Ancient and Grave Divines, in either of the Universities, not employed in translating, to be assigned by the vice Chancellor, upon Conference with the rest of the Heads, to be Overseers of the Translations as well Hebrew as Greek, for the better observation of the 4th rule above specified.

The work began to take shape in 1604 and progressed steadily.

The translators expressed their early thoughts in their preface as:

"Truly (good Christian Reader) we never thought from the beginning, that we should need to make a new Translation, nor yet to make of a bad one a good one,... but to make a good one better, or out of many good ones, one principal good one, not just to be excepted against, that hath been our endeavor."

They had at their disposal all the previous English translations to which they did not disdain:

"We are so far off from condemning any of their labors that travailed before us in this kind, either in this land or beyond sea, either in King Henry's time, or King Edward's... or Queen Elizabeth's of ever renowned memory, that we acknowledge them to have been raised up of God, for the building and furnishing of his Church, and that they deserve to be had of us and of posterity in everlasting remembrance."

And as the translators themselves also acknowledged, they had a multitude of sources from which to draw from: **“Neither did we think much to consult the Translators or Commentators, Chaldee, Hebrew, Syrian, Greek, or Latin, no nor the Spanish, French, Italian, or Dutch.” The Greek editions of Erasmus, Stephanus, and Beza were all accessible, as were the Complutensian and Antwerp Polyglots, and the Latin translations of Pagninus, Termellius, and Beza.**

Four years were spent on the preliminary translation by the six groups.

Translation Processes through Committees

The translation went through a series of committees, all consisting of the translators themselves. Upon finishing the assigned portion given to him, a translator would meet with the first committee and read the work he had translated. Those within the committee followed the reading from various sources, such as the original languages, early English Translations, and foreign translations including, German, French, Italian and Spanish.

If there were no differences concerning the translation the reader read on. If there were differences, the committee would reach a consensus before proceeding.

The findings were then presented to the other two companies for their committees to review in like fashion. If these committees differed at any given point, the differences were compounded and presented to a third committee consisting of twelve members.

This committee (known as the General Meeting) reviewed what the previous committees had produced and agreed upon the finished translation before presenting the work as finished.

The conferences of each of the six being ended, nine months were spent at Stationers Hall in London for review and revision of the work by two men each from the Westminster, Cambridge, and Oxford companies. The final revision was then completed by Myles Smith and Thomas Bilson, with a preface supplied by Smith.

The translators were exacting and particular in their work, as related in their preface:

Neither did we disdain to revise that which we had done, and to bring back to the anvil that which we had hammered: but having and using as great helps as were needful, and fearing no reproach for slowness, nor coveting praise for expedition, we have at the length, through the good hand of the Lord upon us, brought the work to that pass that you see.

The completed work was issued in 1611, the complete title page reading:

“THE HOLY BIBLE, Conteyning the Old Testament, and the New: Newly Translated out of the Original tongues: & with the former Translations diligently compared and revised, by his Majesties Special Commandment. Appointed to be read in Churches. Imprinted at London by Robert Barker, Printer to the Kings most Excellent Majestie. ANNO DOM.1611.”

The New Testament had a separate title page, the whole of it reading:

THE NEWE Testament of our Lord and Saviour JESUS CHRIST. Newly Translated out of the Original Greeke: and with the former Translations diligently compared and revised, by his Majesties special Commandment. IMPRINTED at London by Robert Barker. Printer to the Kings most Excellent Majestie. ANNO DOM.1611. Cum Privilegio.”

The King James Bible was, in its first editions, even larger than the Great Bible. It was printed in black letter with small italicized Roman type to represent those words not in the original languages.

A dedicatory epistle to King James, which also enhanced the completed work, recalled the King’s desire that “there should be one more exact Translation of the Holy Scriptures into the English tongue.”

The translators expressed that they were “poor instruments to make GOD’S holy Truth to be yet more and more known” while at the same time recognizing that **“Popish persons” sought to keep the people “in ignorance and darkness.”**

The Authorized Version, as it came to be called, went through several editions and revisions.

Two notable editions were that of 1629, the first ever printed at Cambridge, and that of 1628, also at Cambridge, which was assisted by John Bois and Samuel Ward, two of the original translators.

In 1657, the Parliament considered another revision, but it came to naught.

The most important editions were those of the 1762 Cambridge revision by Thomas Paris, and the 1769 Oxford revision by Benjamin Blayney.

One of the earliest concordances was A Concordance to the Bible of the Last Translation, by John Down-ham, affixed to a printing of 1632.

The Authorized Version eclipsed all previous versions of the Bible. The Geneva Bible was last printed in 1644, but the notes continued to be published with the King James text.

Subsequent versions of the Bible were likewise eclipsed, for the Authorized Version was the Bible until the advent of the Revised Version and ensuing modern translations.

It is still accepted as such by its defenders, and recognized as so by its detractors. Alexander Geddes (d.1802) a Roman Catholic priest, who in 1792 issued the first volume of his own translation of the Bible, accordingly paid tribute to the Bible of his time:

“The highest eulogiums have been made on the translation of James the First, both by our own writers and by foreigners.

And, indeed, if accuracy, fidelity, and the strictest attention to the letter of the text, be supposed to constitute the qualities of an excellent version, this of all versions, must, in general, be accounted the most excellent.

Every sentence, every word, every letter and point, seem to have been weighed with the nicest exactitude; and expressed, either in the text, or margin, with the greatest precision.”

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Is N.K.J.V. A King James Bible?

If you think the New KJV is the same as the 1611 King James Bible, but with more modern English, then I hope this little study will reveal to you that they are not at all the same in hundreds of verses. Both cannot equally be the perfect word of God at the same time when they are so different from each other. As a side note, some mistakenly think the NKJV is basically the same as the King James Bible but with all those "thee"s and "ye"s removed and replaced with the generic "you". It is not, and all those "thee"s and "ye"s are actually there for a good reason and are far more accurate - See this article for an explanation of the important differences between "thee, thine, thou" and "you and your" -

<http://brandplucked.webs.com/theeandye.htm>

Genesis 20:16 KJB - "Behold, HE IS TO THEE A COVERING OF THE EYES, unto all that are with thee, and with all other: thus she was reprov'd." RV 1885, ASV 1901, Coverdale 1535 - "he shalbe vnto the a couerynge of the eyes, for all that are with thee", Geneva Bible 1587, Spanish Reina Valera, Douay 1950, Young's, Darby 1890 and others equal KJB.

Now that it is known to all that Abraham is Sarah's wife, others would not look upon Sarah as a potential mate. Her husband, Abraham, would in effect cause others to cover their eyes from looking upon Sarah in this way.

NKJV: "INDEED THIS VINDICATES YOU before all who are with you and before all others. Thus she was reprov'd. "

Genesis 36:24 KJB - "...this was that Anah that found THE MULES in the wilderness"

NKJV - This was the Anah who found THE WATER in the wilderness."

For further study on this verse see -

<http://brandplucked.webs.com/gen3624mulesorhot.htm>

Genesis 49:6 KJB - "in their selfwill THEY DIGGED DOWN A WALL." Wycliffe 1395, the Great Bible 1540, the Bishops' Bible 1568, the Geneva Bible 1587, Webster's Bible 1833, 1936 Jewish Publication Society translation, the Torah Transliteration Scripture 2008, Douay 1950, Hebrew Names Bible, the 2000 Holy Scriptures Jubilee Bible, the 2009 Catholic Public Domain Version, the Sagradas Escrituras 1569, the Reina Valera 1602 - "y en su voluntad arrancaron **muro.**",

the Italian Diodati 1649 - "spianato **il muro**.", the Modern Greek Bible - "εν τω πεισµατι αυτων κατηδαφισαν **τειχος**.", the KJV 21st Century 1994, Third Millenium Bible 1998 = KJB.

NKJV "in their self will THEY HAMSTRUNG AN OX."

Exodus 15:2 KJB - "The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I WILL PREPARE HIM AN HABITATION."

NKJV - "he is my God, and I WILL PRAISE HIM."

The NKJV reads like the RSV, NASB, NIV, ESV. See this site for a more in depth study as to why the KJB is right and the NKJV is not.

<http://brandplucked.webs.com/biblebabel1.htm>

1 Kings 10:28 KJB - "And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and LINEN YARN: the king's merchants received THE LINEN YARN at a price."

NKJV - "Also Solomon had horses imported from Egypt and KEVAH; the king's merchants bought them IN KEVAH at the current price."

Numbers 21:14: KJB - "Wherefore it is said in the book of the wars of the LORD, WHAT HE DID IN THE RED SEA, and in the brooks of Arnon,"

NKJV - "Therefore it is said in the Book of the Wars of the LORD: WAHEB IN SUPHAH, The brooks of the Arnon."

1 Samuel 13:21 KJB - "YET THEY HAD A FILE for the mattocks...to sharpen the goads."

This is also the reading of the RV, ASV, Geneva, Lamsa, Young's, Webster's, TMB, KJV 21, Hebrew Names Version and others.

NKJV - "AND THE CHARGE FOR A SHARPENING WAS A PIM for the plowshares...and to set the points of the goads."

See this link for a more in depth study of this verse -
<http://brandplucked.webs.com/1sam1321fileorpim.htm>

2 Samuel 14:14 KJB - "For we must needs die, and are as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again: NEITHER DOTH GOD RESPECT ANY PERSON : yet he doth devise means, that his banished be not expelled from him."

NKJV - "Yet GOD DOES NOT TAKE AWAY LIFE; but He devises means..."

A clear contradiction. God does take away life. See 1 Sam. 2:6; 2 Sam. 6:7; 12:15; Deut. 32:39 and Luke 12:5. For a much more in depth study of this verse see this link - <http://brandplucked.webs.com/2sam14luke24.htm>

1 Kings 22:38 -

"Washed his armour" or "while the harlots bathed"? - More New KJV nonsense.

In 1 Kings 22:38 we read of the death of wicked king Ahab. "So the king died, and was brought to Samaria: and they buried the king in Samaria. And one washed the chariot in the pool of Samaria; and the dogs licked up his blood; AND THEY WASHED HIS ARMOUR; according to the word of the LORD which he spake."

"And they washed his armour" is the reading of the King James Bible, Wycliffe 1395, the Bishop's Bible 1568, the Geneva Bible 1599, Las Sagradas Escrituras 1569, the Spanish Reina Valera 1909 - "Y lavaron el carro en el estanque de Samaria; LAVARON TAMBIEN SUS ARMAS; y los perros lamieron su sangre, conforme a la palabra de Jehova que haba a hablado.", the Italian Diodati 1649 and the New Diodati 1991 - "Lavarono poi il carro E LE ARMI a una piscina in Samaria e i cani leccarono il suo sangue", the French Martin 1755 - "et les chiens lécherent son sang, et aussi quand on lava ses armes", the French Ostervald 1996, Lamsa's translation of the Syriac, Young's, Webster's 1833, the 1936 Hebrew Publishing Company translation, the Douay-Rheims translation, the 1950 Douay (though the most recent Catholic versions read like the NKJV, NIV), the Modern Greek version, Green's interlinear and Green's "literal" translation 2000, the KJV 21 1994 and the Third Millenium Bible 1998.

The most recent Hebrew translation I am aware of is the Judaica Press Tanach, and the Jewish scholars behind this translation also agree with the sense of the King James Bible saying: "And he washed the chariot at the pool of Samaria, and the dogs licked his blood, AND THEY WASHED THE WEAPONS THERE as according to the word of the Lord which He had spoken."

However the NKJV says: "the dogs licked up his blood WHILE THE HARLOTS BATHED." Then in a footnote tells us "Syriac and Targum read 'they washed his armor'."

This footnote implies that the Hebrew text could not possibly read as does the KJB and others, but that the KJB translators got their "erroneous reading" from some other source than the Hebrew. Do you see the subtlety of the attack on God's infallible word?

The NASB is very similar and reads: "(NOW THE HARLOTS BATHED THEMSELVES THERE)", while the NIV has "WHERE THE PROSTITUTES BATHED."

The LXX or Septuagint reads "the SWINE AND THE DOGS LIKED UP THE BLOOD AND THE HARLOTS WASHED THEMSELVES IN THE BLOOD."

The RSV, NRSV, the new ESV 2001, and the Holman Standard 2003 go even further than the NKJV, NASB, NIV in that they tend to follow most of the LXX reading with: "the dogs licked up his blood, and THE PROSTITUTES WASHED THEMSELVES IN IT."

I do not trust any scholar or commentator but rather the living God who promised to preserve His pure words till heaven and earth pass away. I believe He did this in English only in the Holy Bible, also referred to as the Authorized King James Bible.

If you get ten scholars in a room you will come up with 15 different opinions. Notice what John Gill says regarding this verse.

John Gill's commentary. "And one washed the chariot in the pool of Samaria,.... and the dogs licked up his blood; mixed with the water of the pool; the Septuagint adds, "the swine," which is not probable, such creatures not being bred in the land of Israel: and they washed his armour; his coat of mail, through the joints of which the blood issued, and ran upon it. The word is sometimes used for whores, and is so translated here in the Greek version, and by Munster and Castalio; and so Josephus writes, that afterwards it was a custom for whores to wash in this pool; though some say two whores were painted on Ahab's chariot, by the order of Jezebel, to inflame his lust, and these were what were washed; BUT THE WORD SIGNIFIES ARMOUR, or ornaments, clothes, jewels."

Here you see the conflicting suppositions of the "scholars", yet in this instance John Gill sides with the KJB reading though he "corrects" many other places in the KJB, according to his own understanding.

Matthew Henry expounds the verse as it stands in the KJB with no corrections to the text. Matthew Henry- . "The royal corpse is brought to Samaria and buried there (v. 37), and hither are brought the bloody chariot and bloody armour in which he died, v. 38."

If you think the scholars have the final authority you are mistaken. God promised to preserve His words somewhere on this earth. They are either in the King James Bible which has been used by God far more extensively and far longer than any other, or they are lost forever.

The New KJV is just another poor imitation. For a series of articles on the NKJV see:

<http://brandplucked.webs.com/nkjvhackjob.htm>

1 Chronicles 4:10

The King James Bible says: "And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from EVIL, THAT IT MAY NOT GRIEVE ME! And God granted him that which he requested."

The KJB reading is matched by the Jewish translations of 1917, 1936, Geneva Bible, Darby, RV, ASV, Green's interlinear, Douay, Spanish Reina Valera, Webster's 1833 translation, Third Millenium Bible and the KJV 21st Century version.

However the NKJV says: "and that You would keep me from evil, that I MAY NOT CAUSE PAIN." (in italics, as though this word were not in the Hebrew). But it is in the Hebrew and the NKJV has changed the meaning of the verse.

The word to grieve is definitely in the text, contrary to the NKJV's italics. It is # 6087 and is used in Genesis 6:6. "And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it GRIEVED him at his heart."

1 Chronicles 20:3 KJB - "And he brought out the people that were in it, and CUT THEM WITH SAWS, and with harrows of iron, and with axes."

NKJV - "And he brought out the people who were in it, and PUT THEM TO WORK with saws, with iron picks, and with axes."

For further study showing that the NKJV is clearly wrong here See -

<http://brandplucked.webs.com/cutwithsaws.htm>

Job 39:13 KJB - "GAVEST THOU THE GOODLY WINGS UNTO THE PEACOCKS? OR WINGS AND FEATHERS UNTO THE OSTRICH?"

NKJV - "THE WINGS OF THE OSTRICH WAVE PROUDLY, BUT ARE HER WINGS AND PINIONS LIKE THE KINDLY STORK?"

Job 40:23 KJB - "BEHOLD, HE DRINKETH UP A RIVER, AND HASTETH NOT."

NKJV - " INDEED THE RIVER MAY RAGE, YET HE IS NOT DISTURBED."

Psalms 4:4 KJB - "STAND IN AWE, and sin not."

This is even the reading of the RV, ASV and others. Even the NASB has "Tremble, and sin not", but the NKJV joins the LXX and the NIV and says: "BE ANGRY, and do not sin."

Psalms 7:4 KJB - "YEA, I HAVE DELIVERED HIM THAT WITHOUT CAUSE IS MINE ENEMY."

NKJV - "OR HAVE I PLUNDERED MY ENEMY WITHOUT CAUSE"

Psalms 10:3 KJB - "He blesseth the covetous, WHOM THE LORD ABHORRETH"

NKJV - "He blesses the greedy AND RENOUNCES THE LORD."

Psalms 12:5 KJB - "I will set him in safety FROM HIM THAT PUFFETH AT HIM."

Even the NIV says: "I will protect them from those who malign them" but the NKJV says: "I will set him in safety FOR WHICH HE YEARNs."

Psalms 36:2 KJB - "For he flattereth himself in his own eyes UNTIL HIS INIQUITY BE FOUND TO BE HATEFUL."

NKJV - "For he flatters himself in his own eyes WHEN HE FINDS OUT HIS INIQUITY AND WHEN HE HATES."

Psalms 37:20 KJB - "the enemies of the LORD SHALL BE AS THE FAT OF LAMBS: they shall consume."

NKJV - "the enemies of the LORD, LIKE THE SPLendor OF THE MEADOWS, shall vanish."

Psalms 56:12 KJB - "THY VOWS ARE UPON ME, O God." God made the vows.

NKJV - "VOWS MADE TO YOU ARE BINDING UPON ME, O God." Man made the vows.

Psalms 68:16 KJB - "WHY LEAP YE, YE HIGH HILLS?"

NKJV - "WHY DO YOU FUME WITH ENVY, YOU MOUNTAINS OF MANY PEAKS?"

Psalms 72:16 "There shall be AN HANDFUL of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon..." The idea here is that out of little or a small amount, God will cause great blessings to spring forth.

The word "handful" comes from the verb meaning "to be little, or not much" and is used in Psalms 12:1 where it says "...for the faithful FAIL from among the children of men." "An HANDFUL of corn" is the reading found in Bishops' Bible (A handful of corne shall be sowed in the earth vpon the toppe of hylles), the Geneva Bible, Young's (There is a handful of corn in the earth, On the top of mountains), the ASV footnote, Webster's 1833, and the Spanish Reina Valera "Será echado un puñado de grano en tierra..."

John Gill comments - "who are but few, yet fruitful and flourishing". Adam Clarke says - "Even a handful of corn sown on the top of a mountain shall grow up strong and vigorous." Jamieson, Fausset and Brown remark on this passage - "in which a "handful" (or literally, "a piece," or small portion) of corn in the most unpropitious locality, shall produce a crop, waving in the wind in its luxuriant growth, like the forests of Lebanon."

However the NKJV says: "There will be AN ABUNDANCE of grain in the earth, On the top of the mountains; Its fruit shall wave like Lebanon..." So too read the NASB, RSV, NIV, and Holman.

Psalms 76:10 KJB - "Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: THE REMAINDER OF WRATH SHALT THOU RESTRAIN."

Psalms 121:1 - I mention Psalms 121:1-2 because some Bible agnostics have made a big stink about these verses and how the KJB allegedly is an error and the NKJV (which once again joins versions like the RSV, NASB, NIV, ESV, NET) got it right. Verse One in the King James Bible reads as a statement, saying: "I will lift up

mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth."However the NKJV makes verse One a question instead of a statement. It says: "I will lift up my eyes to the hills---From whence comes my help? My help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth."

To see why the King James Bible is correct, see my article about Psalm 121:1, Doug Kutilek and the NKJV here -

<http://brandplucked.webs.com/psalm121kutileknkjv.htm>

NKJV - "WITH the remainder of wrath YOU SHALL GIRD YOURSELF."

Proverbs 3:4 KJB - "Write them upon thine heart: So shalt thou find favour and GOOD UNDERSTANDING"

NKJV - "and so find favor and HIGH ESTEEM"

Proverbs 8:30 KJB - "Then I was by him, AS ONE BROUGHT UP WITH HIM: and I was daily his delight."

NKJV - "Then I was beside Him AS A MASTER CRAFTSMAN."

Proverbs 16:10 KJB - "A DIVINE SENTENCE is in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in judgment."

NKJV - "EVEN THOUGH DIVINATION is on the lips of the king his mouth MUST not transgress in judgment."

Proverbs 18:1 KJB - "THROUGH DESIRE A MAN, HAVING SEPARATED HIMSELF, SEEKETH AND INTERMEDDLETH WITH ALL WISDOM."

The 1599 Geneva Study Bible notes: 18:1 Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh and intermeddleth with all wisdom.

He who loves wisdom will separate himself from all impediments, and give himself wholly to seek it.

NKJV - "A MAN WHO ISOLATES HIMSELF SEEKS HIS OWN DESIRE; HE RAGES AGAINST ALL WISE JUDGMENT."

Proverbs 19:18 KJB - "Chasten thy son while there is hope, and LET NOT THY SOUL SPARE FOR HIS CRYING."

NKJV - "Chasten your son while there is hope, AND DO NOT SET YOUR HEART ON HIS DESTRUCTION."

Proverbs 19:27 KJB - "Cease, my son, to hear the instruction THAT CAUSETH TO ERR FROM the words of knowledge."

NKJV - "Cease LISTENING TO INSTRUCTION, my son, AND YOU WILL STRAY FROM the words of knowledge."

Proverbs 29:24 KJB - "Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: HE HEARETH CURSING, AND BEWRAYETH IT NOT."

NKJV - "Whoever is a partner with a thief hates his own life: HE SWEARS TO TELL THE TRUTH BUT REVEALS NOTHING."

Ecclesiastes 4:16 "There is no end of all the people, EVEN OF ALL THAT HAVE BEEN BEFORE THEM: they also that come after shall not rejoice in him. Surely this also is vanity and vexation of spirit."

Here the NIV, RV, ASV, Holman Standard, Geneva Bible and the NASB all say the same thing as the King James Bible with it's "even of all that have been before them" but the NKJV says: "There was no end of all the people OVER WHOM HE WAS MADE KING: Yet those who come afterward will not rejoice in him." The NKJV reading is not at all what the Hebrew text says.

Isaiah 49:5

The meaning has been totally changed in 49:5 by the NKJV, NIV, RSV and NASB. In the KJB we read a whole prophetic section dealing with the Lord Jesus Christ as the servant of the LORD: " And now, saith the LORD, that formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob again to him, Though Israel BE NOT GATHERED, YET shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and my God shall be my strength."

Here are precious words of the Lord Jesus Christ saying that even if Israel is NOT gathered, YET He will be glorious in the eyes of the Lord. Just by the perfection of His person regardless if anyone is saved through His ministry, He will be precious to His Father.

The KJB reading of "though Israel be NOT gathered, YET.." is also that of the Geneva Bible 1599, Bishops' Bible 1568, Coverdale 1535, the Great Bible 1540, Matthew's Bible 1549, Wycliffe 1395, the Spanish of 1569 and 1602, Darby, Young's, Webster's, Third Millenium Bible, Italian Diodati, Green's interlinear and the KJV 21.

However the NKJV, NASB and NIV say: " to be His Servant, To bring Jacob back to Him, SO THAT Israel IS gathered TO HIM, FOR I shall be glorious in the eyes of the LORD." - NKJV. Then the NKJV has a footnote that tells us the Kethtib or the reading of the text itself reads 'NOT gathered' but that the Kere or the marginal reading that some think should be substituted for the textual reading is "IS gathered TO HIM.

John Gill's commentary on 49:5 -though Israel be NOT gathered: in general, only a remnant, according to the election of grace, the greater part refusing to be gathered ministerially by him; and the rulers not suffering the common people to attend on his ministry. It may be observed that there is a marginal reading of the Hebrew, different from the written text; instead of al, "not" it is wl, "to him"; and may be rendered thus, "and Israel shall be gathered unto him"

Jamison, Faucett and Brown -Though Israel be NOT gathered--metaphor from a scattered flock which the shepherd gathers together again; or a hen and her chickens. Instead of the text "not," the Keri has the similar Hebrew word, "to Him".

Thus far in the book of Isaiah alone we have three examples of where the NKJV does not follow the same Hebrew text as the KJB. They are Isaiah 9:3 where it removes the word NOT; 48:10 where it changes 'chosen' to 'tested' and here where it changes 'not' to 'to Him'.

Isaiah 66:5 KJB - "Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my name's sake, said, Let the LORD be glorified: BUT HE SHALL APPEAR TO YOUR JOY, and they shall be ashamed."

NKJV -"Let the LORD be glorified, THAT WE MAY SEE YOUR JOY. But they shall be ashamed." The NKJV changed the subject of the sentence. And what happened to the second coming of the Lord in this verse?

Lamentations 1:7 "the adversaries saw her, and did mock at her SABBATHS."

Here the NKJV seriously departs from the meaning found in the KJB, and by its footnote implies the KJB has followed the wrong texts. The NKJV joins the RSV and Holman Standard and says "the adversaries saw her and mocked at her DOWNFALL." Then in a footnote tells us "The Vulgate reads her Sabbaths", implying that the KJB translators followed the Latin Vulgate rather than the Hebrew texts. The NIV has "her destruction" and the NASB "her ruin."

The Hebrew word here rendered as "sabbaths" is #4868 and it comes from the verb meaning to rest or to keep Sabbath. It is used in Genesis 2:2 "and he RESTED on the seventh day from all his work which he had made" and in 2 Chronicles 36:21 "for as long as she lay desolate SHE KEPT SABBATH, to fulfill threescore and ten years." Even the NKJB reads the same in these passages.

Not only does the King James Bible read "and did mock at her SABBATHS" but so also do Wycliffe 1395, the Great Bible 1540, Matthew's Bible 1549, the Bishops' Bible 1568, the Geneva Bible 1587, Rotherham's Emphasized Bible 1902, the Sagradas Escrituras 1569, the Spanish Reina Valera 1909, the 2010 Reina Valera Gomez, the French Martin 1744, Ostervald 1996, Luther's German Bible 1545, Webster's 1833, Douay 1950, the 2009 Catholic Public Domain Bible, the KJV 21st Century Version 1994 and the Third Millennium Bible 1998. For a much more in depth study on this verse and why the KJB is right, see my article here - <http://brandplucked.webs.com/lam17sabbaths.htm>

Hosea 3:1 "flagons of wine" or "raisin cakes"?

In Hosea 3:1 we read: "... according to the the love of the LORD toward the children of Israel, who look to other gods, and love FLAGONS OF WINE." However the NKJV once again joins the modern versions like the NASB, NIV, RSV, ESV and says: "and love THE RAISIN CAKES OF THE PAGANS." One anti-King James Bible site lists the KJB reading as an "Indisputable, universally recognized error in translation". The KJB is right, of course, and here is why -

<http://brandplucked.webs.com/hosea3flagonsofwine.htm>

Hosea 13:14

One of the most beautiful verses in Hosea has been destroyed by many modern versions. In the KJB, RV, ASV, Darby, Geneva, Young, 1917, 1936 Hebrew-English versions, and the Spanish of 1909 we read in Hosea 13:14 "I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death; O death, I will be thy plagues; O Grave, I will be thy destruction, REPENTANCE shall be hid from mine eyes."

In other words, God has promised to destroy death and He will not change His mind nor alter His purpose. Every commentator I looked up had basically the same understanding of this beautiful passage. John Gill comments: "repentance shall be hid from mine eyes; that is, the Lord will never repent of his decree of redemption from hell, death, and the grave; nor of the work of it by Christ; nor of the entire destruction of these things; which being once done, will never be repented of nor recalled, but remain so for ever."

BUT, instead of "repentance shall be hid from mine eyes" the NKJV has "I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death. O Death, I will be your plagues! O Grave, I will be your destruction. PITY is hidden from My eyes."

Matthew 7:14 KJB - "Because strait is the gate and NARROW is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

NKJV - "Because narrow is the gate and DIFFICULT is the way which leads to life".

The way is narrow but easy to enter, not difficult. We enter by simple faith in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Not even the NIV, NASB read as does the NKJV here.

Matthew 12:40 KJB - "For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the WHALE'S belly: so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth."

Bible versions that have correctly translated this word as WHALE are the Wycliffe 1395, Tyndale 1525, Coverdale 1535, the Great Bible 1540 (Cranmer), Matthew's Bible (John Rogers) 1549, the Bishop's Bible 1568, Geneva 1599, Mace N.T. 1729, Whiston's Primitive N.T. 1745, Worsley Version 1770, Webster's 1833, the Revised Version 1881, the American Standard Version of 1901, Spanish Reina Valera of 1909, the Italian Diodati 1607, Lamsa's 1933 translation of the Syriac Peshitta, St. Joseph's New American Bible of 1970, KJV 21st Century 1994, Third Millennium Bible 1998, Hebrew Names Version, the Revised Standard Version of 1952 and the 2009 Catholic Public Domain Version. What big fish would have swallowed Jonah except a whale? Or was it the NASB's SEA MONSTER?

As always, the King James Bible is correct in properly rendering this word as "whale" and the NKJV, NIV, ESV, NASB and others are not.

NKJV - "three days and three nights in the belly of THE GREAT FISH", the NASB says it was a "SEA MONSTER"!

Acts 17:22 KJB - "Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are TOO SUPERSTITIOUS."

NKJV - "Then Paul stood in the midst of the Areopagus and said, "Men of Athens, I perceive that in all things you are VERY RELIGIOUS;"

See this article on "too superstitious" or "very religious" to see why the NKJV is wrong and the KJB is right -

<http://brandplucked.webs.com/acts1722bowelpissbas.htm>

1 Corinthians 15:33 KJB - "Be not deceived. EVIL COMMUNICATIONS CORRUPT GOOD MANNERS." The evil communications or words are the false doctrine referred to in verse 12 "How say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead?"

NKJV - "Be not deceived. EVIL COMPANY corrupts GOOD HABITS." A popular saying but not what God wrote in His word.

2 Cor. 2:17 KJB - "For we are not as many, which CORRUPT the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ."

NKJV "For we are not, as so many, PEDDLING the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ."

Phillipians 2:6 KJB - "Who, being in the form of God, THOUGHT IT NOT ROBBERY TO BE EQUAL WITH GOD."

NKJV 1979 edition "Who, being in the form of God, DID NOT CONSIDER EQUALITY WITH GOD SOMETHING TO BE GRASPED."

Compare the phrase "The black man thought it not robbery to be equal with the white man" with "The black man did not consider equality with the white man something to be grasped." Not the same meaning at all.

Hebrews 3:16 KJB - "FOR SOME, WHEN THEY HAD HEARD, DID PROVOKE; HOWBEIT NOT ALL THAT came out of Egypt by Moses." Notice it is a statement and Caleb and Joshua did not provoke but believed God.

NKJV - "FOR WHO, HAVING HEARD, REBELLED? INDEED, WAS IT NOT ALL WHO CAME OUT OF EGYPT, led by Moses?" Two questions and the answer would be

Yes, all provoked. A clear contradiction.3:16 "For SOME, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit, NOT ALL that came out of Egypt by Moses."

Notice that this is a statement in the King James Bible. Not everyone provoked God, but some did. Caleb and Joshua did believe God and the thousands of children from 20 years old and under did enter the promised land. This is the reading of the Textus Receptus and of Wycliffe 1395, Tyndale 1525, Coverdale 1535, the Great Bible 1540, Matthew's Bible 1549, the Bishops' Bible 1568, the Geneva Bible 1599, Whiston's Primitive N.T. 1745, Worsley Version 1770, Webster's translation 1833, Murdoch Translation 1851, the KJV 21st Century Bible 1994, the Third Millennium Bible 1998, Young's, Douay 1950, Spanish Sagradas Escrituras of 1569, the Reina Valera 1909 - "habiendo oído, provocaron, aunque no todos." and the French Martin of 1744 - "mais ce ne furent pas tous ceux qui étaient sortis d'Égypte par Moïse."

However here the NKJV departs from the Greek text underlying the King James Bible and follows the Westcott-Hort text of the modern versions like the RSV, NASB, Holman, ESV and the NIV. The NKJV reads: "For WHO, having heard, rebelled? Indeed, WAS IT NOT ALL who came out of Egypt, led by Moses?" The NKJV, along with the Holman, NIV, NASB, forces you to answer, Yes, it was all of them. But this is untrue.

John Gill on Hebrews 3:16 - "howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses"; that is, they did not all provoke, but some did; which is another aggravation of their sin; they were just come out of Egyptian bondage; brought out of it by the Lord, with the mighty and outstretched arm of his power; and yet they provoked him: but however all did not, yet these were but few; it seems only Caleb and Joshua, out of six hundred thousand; God will have a few to serve him in the worst of times."

Matthew Henry comments: "Though the majority of hearers provoked God by unbelief, yet some there were who believed the report. God will have a remnant that shall be obedient to his voice, and he will take care of such and make mention of them with honour."

2 Peter 3:12 KJB - "Looking for and HASTING UNTO the coming of the day of God.". Our lives are quickly over and we hasten towards that coming day. We can not speed up God's timetable. The times and the seasons the Father hath put in His own power. See Acts 1:7; Daniel 2:21 "He changeth the times and the seasons."

NKJV - "looking for and HASTENING THE COMING of the day of God." Wrongly teaches that we can do something to speed up this coming day, which has already been appointed and marked on the calendar by God Himself.

See this article on 2 Peter 3:12 which shows why the NKJV got it wrong here:

<http://brandplucked.webs.com/2peter312hastingunto.htm>

Revelation 16:16

King James Bible - Revelation 16:16 "And HE gathered THEM together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon."

Barnes Commentary on Revelation 16:16

"And he gathered them together. Who gathered them? Professor Stuart renders it, "they gathered them together," supposing that it refers to the "spirits"--\~pneumata\~--in Revelation 16:13, and that this is the construction of the neuter plural with a singular verb. Hengstenberg supposes that it means that God gathered them together; others suppose that it was the sixth angel; others that it was Satan; others that it was the beast; and others that it was Christ."

Revelation 16:16 "And HE gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon." All Greek texts here read the singular "HE gathered", referring to God.

Other Bible versions that correctly read "And HE gathered them together" are the following: Wycliffe 1395, Tyndale 1525, Coverdale 1535, Bishops' Bible 1568, Douay 1950, World English Bible, Hebrew Names Version, Lamsa's translation of the Syriac Peshitta 1933, Webster's 1833 translation, the Third Millennium Bible, the KJV 21st Century version, Green's Modern KJV, Berry's interlinear, the Spanish Reina Valera 1909 and 1960, Darby's translation of 1870, and Rotherham's Emphasized Bible all agree with the King James Bible.

However the NKJV reads: "And THEY gathered them together to the place..." The NIV and NASB are also in error here, because even their Greek texts read *suvngogEn* - singular, not *suvngogOn* - plural. Other bible versions that incorrectly translate this verse as "THEY gathered them together" are the following: The RV, ASV, RSV, NRSV, ESV, Holman Standard, Young's, and the Geneva Bible.

The book of Revelation clearly shows us Almighty God who is in complete control of all events; including those that are energized by Satan and his devils. Even when Satan does his worst, it is God who is in control.

In Revelation 13 we read of the beast that: "IT WAS GIVEN UNTO HIM to continue forty and two months...AND IT WAS GIVEN UNTO HIM to make war with the saints and to overcome them; and power WAS GIVEN UNTO HIM over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations." Who gave him this power? It was God Almighty, "who worketh all things after the counsel of His own will." Ephesians 1:11.

Revelation 16 describes the seven angels pouring out their vials of the wrath of God. Three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouths of the dragon, the beast and the false prophet to gather the kings of the earth to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. But notice that it is God who directs and controls all events. It is the battle of God Almighty, not the battle of mere men or devils.

The same truth of the sovereignty of God in battle is taught in Zechariah 14:1-4 where we read: "Behold, the day of the LORD cometh...FOR I WILL GATHER ALL NATIONS AGAINST JERUSALEM TO BATTLE...Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations...And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem."

Compare also Zephaniah 3:8 "For MY determination is to gather all nations, THAT I MAY ASSEMBLE the kingdoms, to pour upon them mine indignation, even all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy."

The Lord Jesus then says in Revelation 16:15: "Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame."

Then we read: "And HE gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon." Even the Westcott-Hort and the UBS Critical Greek texts read this way.

Another "renowned scholar", Daniel Wallace, with his NET bible translation, also adds a bunch of words not found in any Greek text.

NET - Revelation 16:16 "Now THE SPIRITS gathered THE KINGS AND THEIR ARMIES to the place that is called Armageddon in Hebrew."

First, Mr. Wallace changes the simple word "And" (kai) to "Now". armies", which is found in no Greek text on this earth. Secondly, the Greek text is a singular verb "HE gathered", yet Wallace erroneously tells us the verb is plural, when all lexicons admit it is a singular verb. It is God who gathers the kings of the earth to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. Mr. Wallace then proceeds to freely paraphrase this as "the spirits" (pure interpretation, not translation), and then adds "the kings and their

Another abomination out there being passed off as "a bible", which is highly popular among the Rick Warren crowd, is called The Message. Eugene Peterson's version reads: "THE FROG-DEMONS gathered THE KINGS together at the place called in Hebrew Armageddon."

Not all Bible versions have the same meanings in hundreds of verses. The King James Bible is always right. Don't settle for a poor substitute like the New KJV.

Revelation 19:8 KJB - "And to her (the Lamb's wife) was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and WHITE, for the fine linen IS THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF SAINTS."

The white linen is the imputed righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ. Isaiah 61:10 "He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness."

NKJV - "And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and BRIGHT, for the fine linen IS THE RIGHTEOUS ACTS of the saints."

If your "righteous acts" make up your fine linen, it will be soiled, tattered and skimpy to be sure. See this link for a more in depth study of this verse - <http://brandplucked.webs.com/rev198finelinen.htm>

These are just a very few of the hundreds of very real differences between the New KJV and the true King James Bible. Don't be fooled by a poor imitation.

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Is the NKJV the same as the KJB?

THE WESTCOTT AND HORT ONLY CONTROVERSY

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I. The King James Only Controversy.

You don't have to read very much in contemporary, fundamentalist, Baptist literature to come across warnings about the "King James only controversy."

Dr. Jerry Falwell announces that he is hiring Dr. Harold Rawlings to "refute the 'King James Only' cultic movement that is damaging so many good churches today."

Dr. Robert Sumner warns about the "veritable fountain of misinformation and deceptive double talk on the subject of 'King James Onlyism'."

Dr. J. B. Williams refers to those who advocate the King James Only as "misinformers" and as "a cancerous sore."

Dr. Robert Joyner calls King James Bible loyalists, "heretics".

Dr. James R. White warns about King James Bible proponents "undercutting the very foundations of the faith itself".

Such references to the King James Only Controversy are very common. Some refer to loyal supporters of the King James Bible as the "King James Only Cult". Another common term is the sneering reference to the "King Jimmy Boys."

However the use of the "King James Bible only" wasn't always so controversial.

II. The Primacy of the King James Bible

God was doing a great work in England in the early 1600's. The preaching of the gospel of Christ out of the Matthew's Bible and the Geneva Bible was leading to multitudes of conversions. Evangelicals and Puritans were becoming a stronger and stronger force in the Church of England and in English culture.

Yet many were concerned that the final translation work into the English language had not been done. King James was persuaded to authorize a new translation. **The King James Bible was printed in 1611.**

At first there were questions and concerns about this new Bible translation. This was as it should be. No one should accept a Bible translation lightly. By 1640 however, the King James Bible was clearly the Bible of the English people. The Geneva and Matthew's Bible, once greatly used of God, went out of print. There was simply no demand for them anymore.

The Church of England, with its official evangelical doctrinal statement, used the King James Bible exclusively. It was the Bible of the Puritans, both inside and outside the Church of England. In fact the Puritans began to use the distinctive Biblical English of the King James Bible in the day to day speech.

The King James Bible was the Bible of the Presbyterians, the Congregationalists, and the Quakers. It was clearly the Bible of the Baptists. By 1640 it was the Bible of the Pilgrims (some had used the Geneva Bible earlier).

The King James Bible was the Bible of evangelicals in England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland. It became the Bible of the English colonies across the Atlantic Ocean. The only religious group of any size or importance in England that didn't use the King James Bible was Roman Catholicism. All non-Catholics could have been referred to as "King James only people." When the Methodist Revival stirred England in the 1700's, it did so with the preaching of the King James Bible. John

Wesley, one of the founders of the Methodists, made his own translation of the New Testament. However, it found little acceptance, even among Methodists. Only the King James Bible was in common use.

When English colonies flourished in Australia and New Zealand, the King James Bible was the common Bible of the settlers. When President George Washington took the first presidential oath of office in the new United States of America, he did so with his hand on a King James Bible. Every American president since, with the exception of Franklin Pierce, has done the same.

Over one hundred fifty English translations were produced between 1611 and 1880. However, they found no audience except in a few cults. Most went out of print quickly. The English speaking, Christian world was truly "King James only".

Baptist preachers produced a Baptist translation of the Bible. They replaced the word baptism with the word immersion. They replaced the word church with the word assembly. However, they found no audience, not even among Baptists. Their translation was soon out of print. The Baptists were truly "King James only".

As hard as it may be for the liberals and secularists to admit, **the American public schools were built around the King James Bible.** The Oxford Companion to the Supreme Court of the United States, (not exactly a religious right publication), describes the early public schools this way, "Public schools had a distinctly Protestant flavor, with teachers leading prayers and scripture reading from the King James Bible in their lessons". The Roman Catholic minority objected to the King James Bible and so they developed their own school system. **With the exception of the Catholics, the United States was clearly King James only.**

Russell Kirk (a Roman Catholic historian) describes the influence of the King James Bible on the United States, "The book that was to exert a stronger influence than any other in Americas was not published until 1611, a few years after the first Virginian settlement: the 'King James' translation of the Bible, the Authorized Version, was prepared by English scholars for King James I. Read from American pulpits and in the great majority of American households during colonial times, **the Authorized Version shaped the style, informed the intellect, affected the laws, and decreed the morals of the North American Colonies.**" Truly the early United States was King James only.

According to Winston Churchill, ninety million copies of the King James Bible had been printed by the mid-twentieth century.

The King James Bible was the Bible of the great modern missions movement of the 1700's and 1800's. The missionaries from England and the United States were saved, called to the mission field, and trained under the preaching of the King James Bible. They traveled around the world, introducing the gospel of grace to millions. Many of these missionaries knew little or no Greek and Hebrew. They translated the Bible into 760 languages from the King James Bible. **Truly the modern missions movement was a King James only movement.**

III. The Westcott and Hort Theory.

In the 1870's, a challenge arose in the English world to the primacy of the King James Bible. There had always been a challenge from Roman Catholicism, but this challenge came from men who were officially Protestants: Church of England Bishop Brooke Foss Westcott and Cambridge University Professor Fenton John Anthony Hort.

The heart of the Westcott and Hort theory was that the New Testament was preserved in almost perfect condition in two Greek texts, **the Vaticanus and the Sinaiticus**. Sinaiticus was discovered in a wastebasket in St. Catherine's Monastery (near Mt. Sinai) in 1844 by Constantin von Tischendorf. The Vaticanus was found in the Vatican library in 1475 and was rediscovered in 1845.

The King James New Testament was translated from a different family of Greek texts. To Westcott and Hort, the King James Bible was clearly an inferior translation. It must be replaced by a new translation from texts **that they** considered to be older and better. **They** believed that the true work of God in English had been held back by an inferior Bible. **They** determined to replace the King James Bible and the Greek Textus Receptus. In short, **their theory** suggests that for fifteen hundred years the preserved Word of God was lost until it was recovered in the nineteenth century **in a trash can and in the Vatican Library.** [Editor RAB: that's where they belong.]

Hort clearly had a bias against the Textus Receptus, calling it "villainous" and "vile". Hort aggressively taught that the School at Antioch (associated with Lucian) had loosely translated the true text of Scripture in the second century A. D. This supposedly created an unreliable text of Scripture which became the Textus Receptus. This was called the Lucian Recension Theory.

Hort did not have a single historical reference to support the idea that such a recension took place. He simply theorized that it must have taken place. In spite of the fact that there is not a single historical reference to the Lucian Recension, many Bible colleges teach it as a historical fact. [Editor RAB:

sad but true. One of my professors was one of the contributing editors to the NIV, he did one of the minor prophets. I was not even a year old in Christ when I went off to seminary. I was not brought up in church, and never owned a Bible until my girlfriend gave me one as a gift before I went to seminary. The night I was saved I borrowed a Bible from a Muslim, (THAT IS ANOTHER STORY). What was so disturbing to me was my professor. I felt he was trying to undermine my faith in the Bible and I told him so. By the way, my girlfriend gave me a King James Bible and told me it was the Word Of God. I married her while I was in seminary. Praise the Lord for a godly wife with godly convictions concerning the Bible. AMEN.]

IV. Westcott and Hort Only!

It is clear that **the modern movement** to revise the English Bible is based completely on the works of **Westcott and Hort**.

K.W. Clark writes, "...the Westcott-Hort text has become today our Textus-Receptus. We have been freed from the one only to become captivated by the other...The psychological chains so recently broken from our fathers have again been forged upon us, even more strongly."

E.C. Colwell writes, "The dead hand of Fenton John Anthony Hort lies heavy upon us. In the early years of this century Kirsopp Lake described Hort's work as a failure, ...But Hort did not fail to reach his major goal. He dethroned the Textus Receptus. ...This was a sensational achievement, an impressive success. Hort's success in this task and the cogency of his tightly reasoned theory shaped - and still shapes - the thinking of those who approach the textual criticism of the New Testament through the English language."

Zane Hodges, a long time professor at Dallas Theological Seminary, writes, "**Modern textual criticism is psychologically addicted to Westcott and Hort**. Westcott and Hort in turn, were rationalists in their approach to the textual problem in the New Testament and employed techniques within which rationalism and every other kind of bias are free to operate."

Alfred Martin, former Vice-President at Moody Bible Institute, wrote in 1951, "The present generation of Bible students having been reared on Westcott and Hort have for the most part accepted this theory without independent or critical examination. ...if believing Bible students had the evidence of both sides put before them instead of one side only, there would not be so much **blind following of Westcott and Hort**."The two most popular Greek manuscripts

today, Nestles-Aland and UBS (United Bible Society), differ very little from the Westcott and Hort text.

V. WHAT YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE TO ACCEPT THE WESTCOTT AND HORT THEORY.

You have to believe that people who believed in the Deity of Christ often corrupt Bible manuscripts.

You have to believe that people who deny the Deity of Christ never corrupt Bible manuscripts.

You have to believe that people who died to get the gospel to the world couldn't be trusted with the Bible.

You have to believe that their killers could be trusted.

You have to believe that the Celtic Christians, Waldenses, Albigenses, Henricians, Petrobrussians, Paulicians, the Greek Orthodox Church, the Protestant churches, the Anabaptists and the Baptists all did not have the pure word of God.

You have to believe that the Roman Catholics and the nineteenth century rationalists did have the pure word of God.

VI. ARE WESTCOTT AND HORT INFALLIBLE?

Even though many evangelicals treat **the Westcott and Hort Theory** as proven fact, there have always been serious textual scholars that challenged it.

The brilliant textual scholar, Dean John Burgon, referred to Westcott and Hort's "violent recoil from the Traditional Text" and "their absolute contempt for the Traditional Text". He refers to their theory as "superstitious veneration for a few ancient documents."

Another famed textual scholar and contemporary of Westcott and Hort, F.H.P. Scrivener wrote, "**Dr. Hort's system** therefore is entirely destitute of historical foundation. He does not so much as make a show of pretending to it; but then he would persuade us, as he persuaded himself..."

It is a phony claim to scholarship to simply parrot the ideas of Westcott and Hort and pretend that you are superior to those who don't accept their ideas. Those who wish to change the King James Bible, so long greatly used of God and cherished by the English speaking people, need to give clear reasons why!

How do you know that the "older" **Vaticanus and Sinaiticus manuscripts** aren't corrupt manuscripts? How do you know that the Lucian Recension ever

took place? Why do you believe that the evangelicals throughout the centuries were using a corrupt text? **Why would you trust Westcott and Hort only?**

VII. WHO WERE WESTCOTT AND HORT?

B.F. Westcott was born in 1825. F.J.A. Hort was born in 1828. They were members of the Broad Church (or High Church) Party of the Church of England. They became friends during their student days at **Cambridge University**. They worked for over thirty years together on the subject of the Greek text of the New Testament.

Westcott went on to become the Bishop of Durham (England) and served for a while as chaplain to Queen Victoria. **Hort** is best remembered as a Professor of Divinity at **Cambridge University**.

Both men wrote several books. They are best remembered for their edition of the Greek New Testament entitled, "The New Testament in the Original Greek". They are also remembered for being the two most influential members of the English Revised Version committee which produced a new English translation. Scrivener thought that they exercised too much influence on this committee.

Westcott died in 1901. Hort passed away in 1892. Both men had sons who collected their personal correspondence and who wrote biographies about them.

VIII. THE DOCTRINE OF WESTCOTT AND HORT.

The Scripture

It is clear that neither Westcott nor Hort held anything even faintly resembling a conservative view of Scripture. According to Hort's son, **Dr. Hort's own mother (a devout Bible believer) could not be sympathetic to his views about the Bible. Westcott wrote to Hort that he overwhelmingly rejected the "idea of the infallibility of the Bible". Hort says the same thing, the same week, in a letter to Bishop Lightfoot.**

When Westcott became the Bishop of Durham, the Durham University Journal welcomed him with the praise that he was "free from all verbal or mechanical ideas of inspiration".

Salvation

Hort called the doctrine of the substitutionary atonement "immoral". In doing so he sided with the normal doctrine of the High Church Party of the Church of England. The Low Church Party was generally evangelical, teaching salvation through personal faith in Jesus Christ. The High Church Party taught salvation by good works, including baptism and church membership.

Westcott and Hort wrote many commentaries that include references to classic passages about salvation. Repeatedly their commentary is vague and unclear and unclear. Westcott taught that the idea of "propitiating God" was "foreign to the..New Testament". He taught that salvation came from changing the character of the one who offended God. This is consistent with his statement that, "A Christian never is but is always becoming a Christian."

Again and again, Westcott's vague comments about salvation are easy to interpret as teaching universal salvation.

The Doctrine of Christ

It was common in the days of Westcott and Hort for those in the Church of England who denied the Deity of Christ to speak in vague terms! To clearly deny the Deity of Christ was to jeopardize your position in the Church of England. Many High Church modernists learned to speak of the Deity of Christ in unclear terms as a way to avoid trouble.

Many statements by both **Westcott and Hort** fall into that category of "fuzzy" doctrinal statements about Christ. Westcott and Hort were brilliant scholars. Surely they were capable of expressing themselves clearly on the doctrine of Christ if they wanted to. At best they are unclear; at worst, **they were modernists** hiding behind the fundamental doctrinal statement of the Church of England.

Other Teachings of Westcott and Hort

There are many other areas that cause fundamental Bible believers to have serious questions about Westcott and Hort. **Westcott denied that Genesis 1 through 3 were historically true. Hort praised Darwin and his theory of evolution.** Both Westcott and Hort praised the "Christian socialist" movement of their day. Westcott belonged to several organizations designed to promote "Christian socialism" and served as President of one of them (the Christian Social Union).

Both Westcott and Hort showed sympathy for the movement to return the Church of England to Rome. Both honored rationalist philosophers of their

time like Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Dr. Frederick Maurice, and Dr. Thomas Arnold. Both were serious students of the Greek philosophers Plato and Aristotle.

There is much about the teaching of Westcott and Hort to deeply trouble any objective Bible believer.

IX. WERE WESTCOTT AND HORT SAVED MEN?

The evangelical defenders of Westcott and Hort are quick to assert that they were saved men even if some of their ideas seem a little strange in our day. They remind people that both were ordained preachers in the evangelical Church of England.

However, there is no doubt that there were **many Church of England preachers that were not true evangelicals**. The High Church party was well known to teach salvation by works. Within the Church of England there was a vigorous debate between true evangelicals and those who taught **baptismal regeneration** or some other system of works for salvation. In their lengthy writings, neither Westcott nor Hort ever give an account of their own conversion. They never identified with the evangelicals in the Church of England. They were never accepted by the evangelicals in the Church of England. They were associated with various occult figures, but never with evangelicals.

While Westcott and Hort praised evolutionists, socialists, and modernists, they were bitterly critical of evangelical soulwinners.

Westcott criticized the work of William Booth and the Salvation Army. Hort criticized the crusades of D.L. Moody. Hort criticized the soulwinning Methodists.

Both criticized evangelicals. Neither gave anyone any reason to believe that he had ever trusted Christ as his personal Saviour.

X. THE WORK OF THE ENGLISH REVISION COMMITTEE

In 1870, the English Parliament authorized a revision of the King James Bible. Two teams of translators were hired. Most translators were from the Church of England but there were also seven Presbyterians, four Congregationalists, two Baptists, two Methodists and one **Unitarian**. The translators were instructed to make as few alterations to the King James Bible as possible.

A similar committee was developed in the United States at the same time. The two committee's exchanged copies of their work. Several thousand Church of England preachers signed a petition protesting the inclusion of a Unitarian, Dr.

Vance Smith, on the Revision Committee. They felt that only saved men should be involved in translating the Bible. Proper translation required the illumination of the indwelling Holy Spirit.

Both Westcott and Hort defended Smith and lobbied for his presence on the committee. Westcott threatened to quit if Smith was not included. Westcott and Hort supplied everyone working on the committee with a private copy of their new Greek text. Hort lobbied (some would say intimidated) committee members to follow the Westcott and Hort text. Westcott, Hort, and Bishop Lightfoot pressured the committee to go beyond their mandate for doing a revision of the King James Bible. Dr. Frederick Scrivener opposed many of the changes to be made on the basis of the new Westcott and Hort Greek Text. Committee meetings were referred to as "... a kind of critical duel between Dr. Hort and Dr. Scrivener".

Arthur Hort described his father's method for describing the right reading of the text as "to settle the question by the light of his own inner consciousness". Dean Burgon spoke of Hort's method as deciding by "the ring of genuineness". Hort was far more concerned about his feelings than he was about the textual debate over any passage. Westcott referred to the debate over textual readings as "hard fighting" and "a battle royal".

The original chairman, Bishop Samuel Wilberforce, resigned after referring to the project as "this most miserable business".

Westcott and Hort eventually won most of the debates. After the new English Revision was published, both Scrivener and Burgon published lengthy refutations of the Revision. Burgon attacked the Revision strongly, calling it "excursions into cloud land" and "blowing smoke". The people of England largely rejected the new translation. Attempts to make it the new Authorized Version of the Church of England met with such protest that Queen Victoria abandoned the idea.

Neither the English nor the American Revision sold very well. They were both soon replaced by other versions. However, the multitude of new English versions were all based upon the same Westcott and Hort Greek text and upon the theories of Westcott and Hort. **Their English translation failed but their principles won the day.** Even though vangelicals rejected the English Revision and the Westcott and Hort text, it did find supporters. Modernists and rationalists, both within and without the Church of England, praised their work. Theosophy founder, Helen Blavatsky, wrote at great length in praise of the new Greek text.

The defenders of Westcott and Hort claimed that the evangelicals were too simple-minded and unlearned to understand the work of Westcott and Hort and

other English "scholars". Evangelicalism was presented as unscholarly. After a generation, many evangelicals began to feel uncomfortable at always being labeled as unscholarly and uneducated. Some evangelical leaders began to look for ways to reconcile the historic Christian faith with the theories of Westcott and Hort.

These theories and the Greek text of Westcott and Hort began to find their way into evangelical seminaries and Bible colleges on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean.

Two generations after the failure of the English Revision, the theories of Westcott and Hort had become majority opinion in evangelical Bible colleges and seminaries in both the United States and England. Their theories were universally accepted in modernist seminaries. The Jehovah's Witnesses and other cults bragged about having Bible translations based upon the Westcott and Hort theory.

Compromising evangelicals were suddenly proud of having "scholarship" accepted by the world. They used the same Greek text as the Roman Catholic Church, the modernists and the cults.

A relative handful of Bible believers refused to accept the Greek text and theory of Westcott and Hort. Such holdouts became an irritation to the "scholarly" evangelicals. As study of the issue increased, opposition to the Westcott and Hort theory grew. "Westcott and Hort only" no longer seemed an adequate reason for abandoning the King James Bible. The "scholarly evangelicals" began to react harshly to their "King James only" critics.

XI. WERE WESTCOTT AND HORT SECRET PRACTITIONERS OF THE OCCULT?

In 1993, Gail Riplinger published *New Age Bible Versions*. In this book, she alleges that Westcott and Hort were practitioners of the occult. It is indicated that they provide a bridge between apostate Christianity and the occult and the New Age Movement.

This charge created a sensation and generated a tremendous amount of criticism for Mrs. Riplinger. It is, of course, a very important charge. An objective look at the evidence for such a charge is important.

Along with Bishop Edward White Benson, Westcott and Hort founded the **Ghostly Guild**. This club was designed to investigate ghosts and supernatural

appearances. The club was based upon the idea that such spirits actually exist and appear to men. According to The Encyclopedia of Occultism and Parapsychology, the members of the Ghostly Club would "relate personal experiences concerned with ghosts.

This club would eventually become the Society for Psychical Research. According to James Webb in The Occult Underground and W.H. Solter, The S.P.R. - An Outline of It's History, this club became a major factor in the rise of spiritualism among the elite of English society in the late 1800's. Many leading occult figures belonged to the Society.

Along the way, Westcott and Hort dropped out of the Ghostly Guild. However, they had plenty of opportunity to be exposed to the occult and demonism before they withdrew.

Westcott's son refers to his father's life long faith in spiritualism (Archbishop Benson's son referred to Benson in the same way). Communion with spirits became quite fashionable in the late 1800's in British society. Even Queen Victoria, who normally led a responsible Christian life, dabbled in spiritualism. However, it was considered unseemly for Church of England clergymen, and Wescott had to keep his ideas quiet. According to Wescott's son, Arthur, Dr. Wescott practiced the Communion of the Saints. This was a belief that you can fellowship with the spirits of those who died recently.

Bible translator **J. B. Phillips** also believed in the Communion of Saints. He believed that the spirit of C.S. Lewis visited him after his death. According to Arthur Wescott, Bishop Wescott also had such experiences with spirits. His son writes, "The Communion of Saints seems particularly associated with Peterborough. He had an extraordinary power of realizing this Communion. It was his delight to be alone at night in the great Cathedral, for there he could meditate and pray in full sympathy with all that was good and great in the past. . . There he always had abundant company." Wescott's daughter met him returning from one of his customary meditations in the solitary darkness of the chapel at Auckland castle. She said to him, " I expect you do not feel alone?" "Oh, no," he said, "It is full."

Either Dr. Wescott's children lied about him or Dr. Wescott was used to meeting with spirits. Bible believers recognize these spirits as demons. Wescott and Hort both joined a secret society called, The Apostles. It was limited to 12 members. One of the other members Henry Sidgwick. He was also stated to have led several professors at Trinity College into secretly practicing the occult. Wescott, his close friend, was also a professor at Trinity College. **Strange company** for a Christian teacher and Bible translator.

In 1872 Wescott formed a secret society, **the Eranus Club**. Members included Hort, Sidgwick, Arthur Balfour (future prime minister of England), Archbishop Trench and Dean Alford. Both Trench and Alford would be involved in Bible revision work. Balfour became famous for his seances and practice of spiritualism. The Eranus Club would eventually become known as an occult secret society.

Wescott's defenders point out that Wescott also eventually dropped out of Eranus. Still he was certainly allied with practioners of the occult in a secret society for a period of time.

Balfour and Sedgwick were involved in several occult organizations, socialism and Theosophy. How many Christians have so many friends prominent in the practice of the occult?

Balfour would also be involved in the founding of the League of Nations and in forming a secret society with Cecil Rhodes (the Round Table and the Council on Foreign Relations).

The evidence for Mrs. Riplinger's assertions is strong. Would Westcott and Hort's defenders accept anyone today who had such connections? They were clearly in contact with people who were "familiar" with spirits. There is every reason to suspect that they might also have been in contact with spirits. Based upon their associations, there is no clear reason to reject the suggestion that they were involved in the occult. The balance of evidence creates, at the very least, a strong suspicion of occult influence on both Wescott and Hort (especially Dr. Wescott).

XII. THE FUNDAMENTALIST DEFENDERS OF WESTCOTT AND HORT

There are fundamentalists who refuse to accept the characterization of Westcott and Hort as liberals (much less occultists)! J. B Williams writes, "I have three of Wescott's commentaries in my library, and I challenge anyone to find one sentence that would be a departure from Fundamentalist doctrine."

Keith Gephart writes, "In reality, Wescott had made clear statements affirming orthodox doctrines such as the deity of Christ, in no way was he guilty of heresy and apostasy." In responding to a critic of Westcott and Hort, Gephart wrote this, "I cannot help but suspect that . . . some blinding presupposition . . .drives you to prove him a heretic at any cost."

Dr. Stewart Custer writes, "Especially when these men have written in their

mature years book after book defending the conservative interpretation of scripture, it is unjust to characterize their whole ministries by a few misinterpretations that they may have been guilty of."

Evangelist Robert Sumner admits that Westcott and Hort were liberal in theology but he still believes that they were trustworthy to "restore the original text."

It would be easy to ask at this point if everyone is reading from the same books. How can there be such a difference of opinion about what these men believed and wrote?

It is true that these men (especially Westcott) wrote commentaries in which they used the great doctrinal terms of the Christian faith in a positive way. They used terms that were part of the official doctrinal position of the Church of England (in which they both held prominent positions).

Almost all denominational liberals use the terms **expected of them**. This is important in maintaining their income, position and influence. The important thing is how they explain those doctrinal terms (or fail to explain them).

Unless you are determined not to see it, it is clear from their commentaries that they put a liberal interpretation on many Christian doctrines. Both of their sons admit that they were accused of heresy because of their books. This understanding of these statements in their commentaries are supported by several external facts.

Westcott and Hort identified with the High Church Party (Broad Party) within the Church of England. In contrast with the more evangelical and conservative Low Church, **modernism found it's home in the High Church Party**.

Westcott and Hort constantly praised theological liberals, socialists and other radicals like Coleridge and Darwin.

No similar praise is found for evangelicals or fundamentalists, either in or out of the Church of England. They are normally ignored! When they are mentioned at all, like D. L. Moody, it is with disdain!

Their private correspondence reveals their liberal drift much more clearly than their commentaries. Of course, it was safer for them to admit what they really believed in this forum. Their correspondence also shows that they had concerns

that they **could not afford to have all of their beliefs known by the general public.**

The biographies of Westcott and Hort written by their sons clearly reveal that they were not in harmony with the official positions of the Church of England. Their sons had no reason to lie about them. Certainly their sons had no King James only bias.

It is interesting that some men can't face the real record about Wescott and Hort. In fact, some who are quick to attack even minor differences with living preachers, take a blind eye to Westcott and Hort.

However, this is easy to understand. Their campaign to replace the King James Bible has been based upon the work of Wescott and Hort only. To admit these men were not trustworthy would be to admit that they have been wrong in a major premise of their entire ministry.

Perhaps we must be forced to suspect that some **blinding presupposition** drives them to prove that Westcott and Hort were not heretics at any cost. It appears that "scholarship" requires only a shallow reading of Westcott and Hort and ignorance of their personal letters and correspondence. **Their defenders do not spend anytime quoting their personal correspondence or the biographies written by their sons.**

Their defenders never recount the testimonies of their conversion because no such testimonies exist.

XIII. IN CONCLUSION.

Dean John Burgon was a contemporary and acquaintance of both Westcott and Hort. He was a firm opponent of the Westcott and Hort theory, their new Greek text and the revision of the English Bible that they so heavily influenced. In an article entitled "The Secret Spanking of Westcott and Hort" Burgon wrote: "the text of Drs. Westcott and Hort is either the very best which has ever appeared or else it is the very worst; the nearest to the sacred autographs or the furthest from them. There is no room for both opinions, and there cannot exist any middle view." In other words things that are different are not the same.

Millions of professing evangelicals have never heard of Westcott and Hort. None the less, their approach to the Scripture is based upon the theory of Westcott and Hort — Westcott and Hort only. No matter how many books, professors, colleges

and denominational leaders these theories are filtered through, they are still the work of Westcott and Hort only.

Those who challenge the primacy of the King James Bible in the English speaking world depend on the work of Westcott and Hort.

Westcott and Hort are not a sufficient basis to reject the Textus Receptus or the King James Bible. Their objectivity, scholarship and doctrine are all at best "suspect." There is no reason to believe that they were saved men. There is more reason to believe that they were influenced by the occult than there is to believe that they were influenced by the Holy Spirit.

Perhaps the "King James Only Controversy" is misnamed. It is really a "Westcott and Hort Only" controversy.

Are you willing to abandon the historic contributions of the Textus Receptus and the King James Bible for Westcott and Hort, Westcott and Hort Only.

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A FALLING AWAY.

In the Bible the **end time** is characterized by a falling away. It is commonly called, apostasy. In every dispensation in the Bible, and this includes the Millennial Reign of Christ, ends in apostasy. Throughout the Bible we see apostasy has taken place and will continue to take place. If you read through the Bible you will find it. There's the apostasy in Genesis, chapters 1-3, Genesis, chapters 4-7, Genesis 8-11, Genesis 12-50, Exodus 20 through Judges, chapters 1-2. The Church, as well, is not exempt from apostasy, for it will come close to ending that way before Jesus Christ returns, (1 Tim. 4:1-2; 2 Tim. 3:1-8, Heb. 10:25; 2 Thess. 2:3). However, praise God there are still the *faithful few* who have not abandoned God or His Book.

Words spoken 2,000 years ago are ringing true to our day in the Church as it draws to an end. Second Timothy 4:3 states:

"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears."

A majority of the Body of Christ have fallen away from the truth in these end times. They no longer stress sound doctrine. Why? Because some of them don't realize the *word of God is continually under attack* which is causing confusion in the Body of Christ, and some who simply refuse to stress sound doctrine because of their *itching ears*.

There's one archenemy of God and man and he is called Satan. As time goes on we discover how hard at work he is to try and get rid of God's words, thus get rid of that book. Since Satan knows he can't dispose the pure inerrant words of God (Ps. 12:6,7 KJV), he will do all he can to try to supplant it, or to corrupt it in the minds and hearts of God's people. However, we should be careful, **"Lest Satan should get an advantage of us:"** (2 Cor. 2:11).

THE PHILADELPHIAN CHURCH GONE?

We are warned so many times in the New Testament about false prophets, false teachers, false doctrines, about those who are wolves who come in looking like sheep. I believe we are near the end of the dispensation of the church age. We have past the time of the *Philadelphia church* (Rev. 3:8) where the members of this church **keeps the word of God**. It was this church that published the 1611 Authorized Version, otherwise known today as the King James Version.

"I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name."

This is said of no other church in the Bible. Yes, it was the church that kept the word of God. The Philadelphia church was the period of the open door. This is a time when masses of people were saved when the gospel went world-wide. The 1611 Bible, the Authorized Version, bore much fruit. That Bible swept the nations and many sinners were converted to Jesus Christ by the use of that Book which is God's infallible, inerrant word.

However, the last church on the list before the Rapture is the period of the Laodicean church. This church is lukewarm. It is neither hot or cold. It is a church that rejects the word of God, and has shut its door. In fact, it is at this church where Jesus has to **"...stand at the door and knock."** This church claims they don't have the scriptures, they just have a *mere translation* subject to *copyist errors*. This church doesn't dare say the Bible we have in our language is the Holy Scripture. They take what is Holy and produce a counterfeit Bible. Their bibles are luke warm. A counterfeit bible will produce Christians who won't have a love for the truth. These Christians don't mind when their counterfeit bible attacks the **Deity of Christ**; they don't mind when it **attacks the Atonement**; they don't mind when it **attacks the Virgin Birth**; and they don't mind when **it attacks Salvation**.

We are in need of a revival, but we shall see none as long as these counterfeit bibles are in the hands of people who are not informed about what has happened with our scriptures. Jesus is standing at the door and knocking. He wants you and I to be like the church who *kept His words and has not denied His name*.

[EDUCATION MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE SCRIPTURES.](#)

In these counterfeit bibles, you will discover how they **deny His name** and **titles of His name** at least 136 times, if not more, in just ONE version alone, the NIV (Never Improved Version).

We are no longer encouraged to believe and take the Bible as final authority in all matters of faith and practice. We have come to the point where *higher education* has given us the privilege to do whatever we deem necessary with the scriptures. This means taking out verses, phrases, books, etc., we think should not be there. We don't have to worry about *sound doctrine*, because there are so many bibles that conflict with each other, thus, nobody has the truth anyway.

We are encouraged to *seek man's wisdom, seek the scholars, the educational system* for our answers rather than the word of God itself. The Laodicean church does not believe the Holy Bible, in our language, is the Scripture at all, even though they *PROFESS TO HAVE THE SCRIPTURES!*

Let me give you an example. I have been conversing with other Christians via the internet. One of those Christians happened to be a fellow who graduated from Dallas Theological Seminary who said he believed in the infallible, inerrant word of God. So I asked him, "Do you believe you have the infallible, inerrant Scriptures in your hands that you can read today, in your own English language? His answer?

"It is just this kind of question that establishes your total lack of **education** in this subject. Now, please, do the Lord, yourself, and others a big favor and read the works I recommend above. At least that way you have a chance of engaging in meaningful discussion regarding the **original manuscripts, copies, and translations.**" (Emphasis in bold type mine.)

Did you notice something? He did **not** answer my question! These types of people never do. They tell you what the *profess* to believe, but don't really believe what they profess. Instead, we must consider my *lack of education*. I'm suppose to do the Lord, myself, and others a big favor and go to MEN who will do their best to convince me I don't have the Scriptures! The works of men he recommended was James White, "The King James Only Controversy" and F. F. Bruce, "The New Testament Documents: Are they reliable?" Now I know about James White for I have conversed with him a number of times via internet.. And as far as I'm concerned, I would rather change poopy diapers all day long than waste my time reading his messages trying to get me to abandon God's Book.

STUMBLED AND DISCOVERED.

Let me tell you how I was awakened to the issue concerning what was happening to our Bible. My husband had a visit from an old friend whom he hadn't seen in years, along with his wife. At the time of their visit they were both in a drug treatment program to kick the habit. During the course of the evening I began to witness to the couple. During this time I had pulled out at least 6 to 8 different

versions of the Bible. The husband stopped me in the middle of a conversation and asked me, "Which Bible is the true Bible?" His question stumped me. The question made such an impact on me that I began to wonder myself! From then on that question stayed with me.

This incident took place in the early part of November of 1995. It was several weeks before this time I had decided to leave the Catholic church. I had been a Christian for 20 years and had remained in the Catholic Church all that time. Something was missing in my life and I couldn't pin-point the problem other than that I missed Christian fellowship. I missed the fellowship like I had when I lived in Florida. Down there I was very involved in the Charismatic movement (Don't worry, the Bible straightened me out on the tongues business).

It was near the end of summer of 1995 when I started attending a Baptist Church, and it was the end of November I decided to join. New members were required to take membership classes which took place in the Pastor's office each Sunday. About the third Sunday of my visit I noticed a book on his desk. I asked him if I could borrow the book. The book was titled, "New Age Bible Versions," by Dr. G.A. Riplinger. That night I started to read her book and was brought to tears just after reading the first two chapters as I saw what was happening with God's words. About a week or two before I borrowed that book, I had purchased for the first time in my life a King James Bible, therefore, I was able to compare the versions as I read her book.

It was through reading this book I decided the King James Bible was the true word of God, and had shared this with another Christian brother. I was ridiculed by him. He said I acted like a Mormon because I depended upon my feelings for what was true, all because I shared with him how I had shed tears to see God's word corrupted. I told him it wasn't feelings that made me accept the King James Bible as the word of God, but the EVIDENCE, presented in her book and checking it out for myself. The same Holy Spirit who wrote that Bible is the same Holy Spirit who resides in me, and so it is also by the *convincing power of the Holy Spirit* that I know the Authorized Version to be the true word of God. Come to find out, that Christian also believed in the inerrant, infallible word of God, but it was nothing he could hold or read today in his own language, English.

It is November of 1996 now, so I have had that Book for 12 months and will never let it go. I will never trade it in for a counterfeit bible! It has been my weapon for those who knock at my door. It has been my weapon to answer my own brothers and sisters in Christ who criticize that very Book, and me, for believing it to be the Scriptures in my very own language, English. I have gained more faith in God by reading that Book. The doctrines are getting less confusing as I read that Book. I enjoy reading that Book. Those words in that book convict

me of my own sins. And by those words I know I am forgiven and eternally secure. By reading and believing the words in that Book I am bolder in my walk with Jesus Christ. Because of the words in that Book I am built up and strengthened. When things or people get me down, I go to that BOOK!

I believe what happened to me was by no accident. There was a question, and God answered it without wasting any time! So what I have learned, I want to share with you. You could be like me who was not informed. You may not realize what is happening to God's words. If you are interested, just keep reading. For those of you who think it just might make you angry, then maybe you had better ask yourself, "Why?" So let us begin.

SEED..... THE WORD OF GOD.

Did you know that when a person is born again, he is born again not by corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the **word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever?** (1 Peter 1:23). Something is happening to the word of God, and we need to wake up. Second Thessalonians 2:3 states,

"Let no man deceive you by any means:"

Let me tell you what happens in only two short steps, which Dr. Gail Riplinger has aptly pointed out, and can be traced right back to the Garden of Eden, which has continued up to our day.

1. "The sower **soweth the word**" (Mark 4:14 KJV)
2. "Satan cometh immediately, and **taketh away the word**" (Mark 4:15)

LOGIC AND COMMON SENSE

I'm sure most of us have heard the following: **Logic would dictate that two opposite statements cannot *both* be true.**

This same logic can be said of the Holy Bible. **Thus, two contradicting "Bibles" cannot *both* be the perfect word of God. If one is true, then the other has to be false.**

GOD'S WORD

You will notice that when I talk about God's word, you see I do not capitalize the "w." I do not use the capital W, because I am not talking about the Incarnate Christ. The issue I am about to inform you concerns God's **words**.

God had plenty to say about His words in His Book, the Scriptures, or as we mostly commonly call it, the Holy Bible. Let's take a look and see a tiny example of what the Bible says about God's words.

"...thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name." (Ps. 138:2)

We are told that God's *truth* is His *word*, and is so stated in John 17:17:

"Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."

"He whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God" (Jn. 3:34).

Jesus says,

If a man love me he will keep my words" (John 14:23).

(Now there is something to identify a Christian's love for Jesus!)

"I have given to them the words which thou gavest me" (John 17:8).

If ye abide in me and my words abide in you" (John 15:7).

"He that heareth God's words, ye therefore hear them not because ye are not of God" (John 8:47).

"The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life" (John 6:63).

Look at Hebrews 4:12-13. Here we have reference to the authority of the *written words* of God; a reference to *words* which God spoke. It also calls to our attention of the *written word* as a *sword*. (See. Ps. 149:6 and Ephesians 6:17 for its mate).

[YOU HAVE NOTHING!](#)

There are Christian Universities today who are teaching that no one is able to have these words. What is taught these days is that the only Scriptures without error are contained *only in the originals of those writings*. In other words, when you read 1 Timothy 3:16, we are to believe it only refers to the "*original autographs*," and not something we have available today.

Though no one on God's green earth have the original manuscripts, there is a lot of emphasis placed on them which is against Biblical practice. Prove it? Turn to Jeremiah 36:21. What happened to the first original?

Look at verse 23, King Jehoiakim cut it up with a penknife and cast it into the *fire on the hearth until it was destroyed*. Oops! Well, so much for the originals! What God did was have Jeremiah rewrite what He had said, but this time Jeremiah had to add some words (Jeremiah 36:32) Do you know what happened to that one? Jeremiah instructed Seraiah, after reading it, to **bind a stone to it and cast it into the Euphrates river** (Jeremiah 51:63)! Did God panic because the first scroll was destroyed? No. Did God panic when the second one was thrown in the Euphrates river? No. Why? Because God is able to **preserve His words**. Nobody has been able to destroy His words though there is much fighting to do so through these new versions.

If we really place emphasis on the *originals* as being the only *perfect word of God*, "then Jeremiah's first wouldn't do any us any good, besides the fact that we would miss the words Jeremiah had to rewrite in the second scroll by God's command after the first was destroyed. And though the second scroll was thrown into the Euphrates River, we need not be discouraged. Why? Because God left a **copy** of that text in Jeremiah 45-51. God left a complete copy of what was in the first, and what was added into the second scroll, and it did not suffer from Scribal error (Psalm 12:6,7).

Nowhere in the Scriptures is there panic on God's part when it came to the destruction of the original manuscripts. I believe Psa. 12:6,7. God did not say it is the *ink* on the paper that is alive, but His *words* (John 6:63)! God is able to **preserve** His words, contrary to anyone's opinion!

[GOD HAS A LANGUAGE BARRIER?](#)

What about God's word in our own language. Is it actually possible to have the words of God in our own language? Well, let's take another look since the Bible should be the final authority in all matters of faith and practice. See Acts 2? The multitude was confounded because they heard those men from Galilee speak in their *own language* (Acts 2:1-6). There are at least thirteen languages spoken there. Do you know what the men at Bob Jones University say about Christians who claim they have a copy of the Scriptures in their own English language? They condemn them as **heretics** (See their official statement given at the World Congress of Fundamentalism in 1988)! Imagine! You and I are condemned as heretics by this body of *educated men* if we believe we have a copy of the Scriptures in our own language! Imagine! If God could have His word communicated to those people in Acts, who spoke many languages, why not us? (Acts 2:6; 2 Samuel 23:2).

Are we led to believe that God cannot communicate to us in our own language?

Is the God who created ALL things so incompetent that we cannot have His words in words we can understand? Are we left in limbo as to what God's truth is because some men believe God suffers from a language barrier? God forbid! Let the men of "high degree" (Psa. 62:9) drown in their own **education**, and I'll cling to 2 Samuel 23:2

SALVATION AND GROWTH

Okay, let's go on. The Scriptures are very clear on how one is saved:

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast" (Eph. 2:8,9).

The Scripture also tells us how one gets that faith:

"So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17)

"Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever" (1 Peter 1:23).

Did you read that? The *"incorruptible seed, by the word of God."* What does James say?

"Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls" (James 1:21).

We need to *hear those words*. The scriptures will lead a person to salvation (James 1:21). Why? For they testify of the Life giver Who gives life to them (see John 5:39).

"And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus" (2 Tim. 3:15).

"So are you going to say a person who doesn't have the right Bible, he cannot get saved?" No. Even in the most corrupt versions, the simple Gospel message is still in there *somewhere*. But once he is saved, he needs milk! If he doesn't get the milk, he's not going to "grow". For that matter, many people have been saved by reading a commentary, but a commentary is not the living words of God. Once we are saved, we need God's words to **grow properly** (1 Peter 2:2).

As someone has aptly said, "When it comes to these new versions on the market, we will certainly never be a threat to the devil by **GROWING.**"

WHAT IS YOUR WEAPON?

Also, did you know when you become a born again believer, you are also considered a *soldier* of Jesus Christ (2 Tim. 2:3)? However, what is your weapon? Our only defensive weapon is the **"sword of the Spirit which is the word of God"** (Eph. 6:17). And do you know how effective the sword of the Spirit is, which is the word of God? Do you know what it can do? Now turn again to Hebrews 4:12-13. It states,

"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do."

The Scriptures just told me the word of God is a *discerner*. In order to be a "discerner," one must be **alive**. Also look at verse 13,

"Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in HIS sight."

Now read that carefully and ask yourself, "Whose sight?" Did you notice the Scriptures are spoken of as a "person"? **"HIS SIGHT..."** One cannot deny that the antecedent is the **word of God**. It says, **HIS** sight. Now don't scoot me off to the commentaries because I don't care what the commentaries say. The commentaries are not the "inspired words of God". As Samuel Gipp says, "God gave us the perfect Book in order to eliminate the middle man."

Furthermore, if Hebrews 4:12-13 gives anyone a problem, they should turn to Romans 9:17 where Paul says that the **SCRIPTURE** raised Pharaoh up. Paul didn't say God, he said **Scripture**. And if that's not enough, look at what else Paul says. He says in Galatians 3:8 that the Scriptures have the human capability of **foreseeing** an event before it takes place. Now all this is enough to upset some scholars that they can't even give an intelligent commentary, or no commentary at all; it falls so short of **"Bibliolarty!"**

Now, we are told we are in battle. That we should be told to put on the **whole armour of God** must be for some purpose.

"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places" (Eph. 6:11-12).

Since every word of God (Luke 4:4) is important, what do you think comes next? We need to *grow properly* (as mentioned above). A Baptist preacher by the name of Peter S. Ruckman shows us what is needed in order for a Christian to grow properly, and it can only be found in God's word.

1. The BREAD for our starch (Luke 4:4).
2. The HONEY in our dextrose (Ps. 119:103).
3. The MILK for our Calcium and Vitamin A (1 Peter 2:2).
4. The MEAT for our protein (Heb. 5:14).
5. The APPLE for our vitamin C (Prov. 25:11).

Now there's a well-balanced diet for anyone. But did you know there is someone who doesn't want you to have it? He's called Satan! He doesn't like the words of God and never did, even way back there at the Garden of Eden **"Yeah, hath God said?"** (Gen. 3:1).

[WATCH OUT FOR COUNTERFEIT BIBLES.](#)

So, besides Satan being interested in the eternity of your soul (which he cannot get once you are saved), what would be his other interest? TO CORRUPT THE WORD OF GOD. He will do his best to put what looks "real" in your hands, but is in fact, corrupt. His last resort is to get you to put your weapon down. As Burgon wrote, "Vanquished by THE WORD INCARNATE, Satan next directed his subtle malice against THE WORD WRITTEN."

Satan has managed to give you a counterfeit bible if you don't have a King James Bible resting in your hands. Where it concerns God's words, Satan has achieved to cause doubt and confusion in the Body of Christ, as well with those who are not saved. He accomplished this by changing the Scriptures; by omitting words, verses, and even paragraphs in God's Holy Book. This is exactly what Satan has accomplished, and as greedy as he is, I'm sure he's not finished.

Some of you think you have the real Scriptures, but you don't. What you may have is Scripture that has been corrupted. Does this mean you are an awful person? No. It simply means you may have not been informed.

This information is directed to your attention so you WILL be informed, and then make a decision for yourself after sampling just *some* of the evidence that is about to be presented before you.

WORD OF KING = POWER

God says in His word,

"Where the word of a king is, there is power..." (Ecc. 8:4).

We have a Book that was authorized to be translated under the ruler of a King whose name happened to be James. In fact, the name "James" is an English word for "Jacob" whom God names "Israel," because he had power with God and with men (see Gen. 32:28). This Book authorized under King James has **prevailed**, showing other translations to be fruitless and trash.

Now, what does the Bible say about those who rule? It says:

"Fear God, Honour the king" (1 Peter 2:17). Many may not know, but Nero was in power and a murderer when Peter said that. The King James translators were obeying God because **the powers that be are ordained of God.**

TEXAS!

The translators of the 1611 Bible translated the King James Bible from the *Textus Receptus*. As one uninformed lady asked, "What does Texas have to do with this?" So in case you don't know, the *Textus Receptus* are the majority of Greek manuscripts which agree with each other and were widely accepted by Bible-believing Christians all through the centuries. The 1611 King James Bible was translated from these manuscripts. However, there are also corrupt manuscripts out there. They are known as the Alexandrian manuscripts, and the **Vaticanus** and **Siniaticus** (Roman Catholic) manuscripts are part of this group. I have learned that many times these manuscripts do not even agree with each other. The Vaticanus and Siniaticus disagree with each other over 3,000 times! These manuscripts are said to be dated earlier than the *Textus Receptus*, and therefore, since they are older, they are more reliable.

Now mind you I'm just an average housewife; I don't speak Greek or Hebrew; and have never seen an actual manuscript, but I really must ask a question. "If something disagrees with itself in over 3,000 places, how reliable can that be???" This "Older manuscript" business is being accepted by the Body of Christ without questioning it.

BIBLICAL INSTRUCTION VS. WORLDLY INSTRUCTION.

Here is an excerpt from a letter from my former Sunday Bible school instructor:

"While I certainly cannot defend all modern translations as accurate (they aren't) be aware that the translation of the KJV follows the Textus Receptus tradition while most modern translations follow the Nestle Greek textual tradition. The Nestle includes roughly 2500 manuscripts (and portions) many of which predate those used for the translation of the KJV. In other words, many of the now discovered documents are closer to the originals than those used for the KJV and are thus less vulnerable to copying errors. Quite simply, they are more accurate."

First of all look at what he said, *"In other words, many of the now discovered documents are closer to the originals than those used for the KJV and are thus less vulnerable to copying errors. Quite simply, they are more accurate."* Observe that the person **assumed** something without giving me any proof. I did ask for it, but this Christian brother got angry with me.

Furthermore, how can he know what is "more accurate" to the "Originals" when no one has SEEN OR READ THE ORIGINALS, including himself? Also, notice how he slipped in "copying errors." Is God vulnerable to copyist errors? He doesn't have the ability, as Almighty God, to preserve His perfect word forever? Doesn't this make God a liar considering what it says in Psalm 12:6,7? However, if this gentleman had done a little reading, he would have read the latest research concerning the papyri (now seen in Nestle's Greek N.T. 26.ed) **proving** the KJV text is the correct and the NASB and NIV to be grossly out-of-date. Anybody can read this documented evidence in Dr. Gail Riplinger's latest book titled, "New Age Bible Versions"

DID JESUS HAVE THE SCRIPTURES?

When Jesus went into the synagogue to read the book of Isaiah, He didn't make a request for the *"original manuscripts,"* nor did He ask for anything that *might be close to the original,* nor request the *New Revised Version of it.* I thank God when Jesus read and talked about the **Scriptures,** that's exactly what He did! (Matt. 21:42; Mark 12:24; Luke 4:21, 24:45-46, etc.). He didn't complain of any mistakes in the copies of Scriptures He was reading and preaching from. He didn't say such things as, "This might be true, but we can't be certain because we don't have the original manuscripts; This sounds close to the originals; The scholars tell us that; This word has been mistranslated because of; A better rendition would be; The copyist made a mistake here; A better word would be; Another copyist error, it should be....etc. etc. etc." I thank God Jesus did not talk like our modern day preachers!!!

THE FINDING OF FOOL'S GOLD.

This former Bible instructor talked about the Nestle which includes roughly 2500 manuscripts. However, he didn't give me any detail concerning those manuscripts! He says the *now discovered documents...*"Well, where were they discovered? He didn't say. I will tell you.

The facts cannot be contested in that the **Siniaticus** is a manuscript which was found in 1844 in a **TRASH PILE** in St. Catherine's Monastery near Mt. Sinai, by a man named Mr. Tischendorf. And a man by the name of John Burgon spent many years examining every available manuscript of the New Testament, and had proven the Siniaticus to be corrupt. It is said that on just about every page of the manuscript are corrections and revisions done by at least 10 different people!

The fact is, the **Vaticanus** and **Sinaticus** are **Roman Catholic** manuscripts. The Vaticanus (found in a Vatican Library in 1481 A.D.) was written on fine vellum (tanned animal skins) and is said to have been in excellent condition. Just because something is older does not mean it's the best. What they call the "*best*" is what was found in a **DUMPSTER** at St. Catharine's (Siniaticus) and another discovered in the **VATICAN** (Vaticanus) **LIBRARY!** Something not used would maintain an excellent condition, wouldn't you say?

DOCTRINES OF DEVILS

Furthermore, what was found in excellent condition omits Genesis 1:1-Gen. 46:28, Psalms 106-138, Matt. 16:2-3, the Pauline Pastoral Epistles, Hebrews 9:14-13:25, and all of Revelation (is that closer to the originals?).

Isn't it rather odd of the Roman Catholic church to omit Paul's Pastoral Epistles in the manuscripts? After all look at it. I was brought up Roman Catholic and was in the Convent studying to be a nun. In the Roman Catholic church *marriage is forbidden* of priests and nuns. Catholics were to *abstain from meat* on Fridays, etc., etc. etc. Is this not giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of the devil? Now my Bible says,

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of the devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with Thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth."

That is in the **Pastoral Epistle** in 1 Tim. 4:1-3!

AWAKENED TO THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS.

And what about Hebrews which deals with the **blood and forgiveness of sins**, and the Book of Revelation which deals with the **Harlot**???? She is described as **MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH** (Revelation 17:5)."

Mystery is at the very heart of Roman Catholicism. Every sacrament manifests the mysterious power which we are to believe. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church (Doubleday, 1995), p. 303, para, 1075, explains the liturgy ".....aims to initiate souls into the **mystery** of Christ (It is mystagogy.')." All of the Church's liturgy is "**mystery.**"

During the Dark Ages (now disguised as the "Middle Ages"), Rome burned Bibles believers. Revelation 19:2 says God will avenge "**the blood of his servants AT HER HAND.**" From what I understand, the Pope put the Textus Receptus on the *Index of Forbidden Books*. I don't have to wonder why. He hates everything it has to say about his system, his mysterious "mother church," which he rules from his "throne," and where he has taken the title of God Himself, Holy Father! (John 17:11)

Whatever the case may be, it is for certain the Protestants have joined Rome, use her corrupt manuscripts, and then without any shame, produce what they call a "Bible." These bibles send a confusing message concerning the harlot. Why? Could it be that the Harlot doesn't want to get caught **red-handed** (Rev. 19:2)? Of course she doesn't. Note in the NIV you will find they omitted "**at her hand.**" They also omitted "**city**" from Rev. 14:8 so we won't get any fancy ideas it is a city. Rome is trying to hide, but it won't last for long.

Rome is putting on the pressure and it's working. Do you remember the book, "Kingdom of the Cults?" Back in the 70's the Roman Catholic church was listed as one of them. Will you find it in there now? No! Is someone *already buckling* under pressure?

If you want the correct exegesis of Revelation 17:9-10, check the KJV. The KJV says,

"The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth."

Notice how the sentence ends with a period. Now look at the next sentence.

"And there are seven kings."

It is plain to see that verse nine and ten are about different things. However, the Roman Version says, "**The seven heads are seven hills on which the woman sits and they are seven kings.**" We are given a false understanding there should be a connection between the hills and the kings so we won't notice that the seven hills are the city of Rome!

If you wish more information on this topic of the manuscripts, look for "Which Bible?" by David Otis Fuller, "God Wrote Only One Bible," by Jasper James Ray, "True or False?," by David Otis Fuller, "Satan's Masterpiece-The New ASV." by Peter S. Ruckman, "The King James Version Defended," by Edward F. Hills, "Christian Handbook of Manuscript Evidence," by Peter S. Ruckman, "Counterfeit or Genuine?," by David Otis Fuller, and other works by Edward Miller, Dean Burgon, Scrivener, and Herman Hoskier.

TELLING LIES.

I wrote a letter to Moody Bible Institute asking them about the KJV and Dr. Logson who had publicly renounced his attachment with the New American Standard Version. I received a letter from the office which stated in part:

"Many of us who grew up with the King James Version still prefer the version and value it." [What they didn't tell me was if they **believe it.**] "God did not inspire one specific translation like the King James Version, but rather inspired the original writings of the apostles." [**No scripture given!**] "Based on my study of this matter, I believe that the NASV and the NIV, in particular, are reputable versions based on historically credible manuscripts."

1) *"God did not inspire one specific translation like the King James Version, but rather inspired the original writings of the apostles."* What did I tell you? In other words, if you don't have the *originals*, you don't have the scriptures!

2) "Based on my study of this matter, I believe that the NASV and the NIV, in particular, are reputable versions based on **historically credible manuscripts.**"

Of course when one investigates what they mean by "*historically credible manuscripts*," one discovers they are really speaking about the *Alexandrian* manuscripts which include the Sinaiticus and Vaticanus. Remember the **LIBRARY** and the **DUMPSTER?**

MORE LIES

At another University (Bob Jones University), we will be told "A translation can't be inspired." Do you know all one has to do is read the New Testament and he will find numerous quotations from the Old Testament? All one has to do is read Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Peter, James, for example. At times these men had to translate from the Hebrew to the Greek. When Matthew quoted Isaiah (which is in Hebrew), **"Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel"** (Matt. 1:22-23), he was **TRANSLATING!** A translation can't be inspired? If these University fellows are to be taken seriously, then that means we can't even count on the New Testament in Greek, because it's a **translation** of Old Testament Hebrew.

"So are you saying the King James translators were inspired?" Let me ask you, "Did they claim to be?" I never heard or read that any of them claimed inspiration, but for that matter, neither did Matthew, Luke, Mark, John, Peter, etc.!

FOUND OUT THE TRUTH.

Dr. Frank Logsdon (1907-1987) was a popular Bible conference speaker. In 1942-1950, he pastored Central Baptist Church in London, Ontario. In the 50's Dr. Logsdon was invited by Franklin Dewey Lockman to prepare a feasibility study which led to the production of the New American Standard Version. Dr. Logsdon helped interview some of the translators who served as translators for this version. He also wrote the Foreword which appears in the NASV. However, Dr. Logsdon found out the truth about the manuscripts. He went publicly to renounce his attachment to the NASV. Here is a letter Dr. Logsdon wrote renouncing his attachment to the NASV as quoted in Dr. G. A. Riplinger's book, "New Age Bible Versions."

I must under God renounce every attachment to the New American Standard Version. I'm afraid I'm in trouble with the Lord. We laid the groundwork; I wrote the format; I helped interview some of the translators; I sat with the translator; I wrote the preface. I'm in trouble; I can't refute these arguments; its wrong, terribly wrong; its frighteningly wrong; and what am I going to do about it. "When questions began to reach me at first I was quite offended. I used to laugh with others. However, in attempting to answer, I began to sense that something was not right about the New American Standard Version. I can no longer ignore these criticisms I am hearing and I can't refute them. The deletions are absolutely frightening...there are so many...

Are we so naive that we do not suspect Satanic deception in all of this? "Upon investigation, I wrote my very dear friend, Mr. Lockman, explaining that I was forced to renounce all attachment to the NASV. The product is grievous to my heart and helps to complicate matters in these already troublous times. I don't want anything to do with it. "The finest leaders that we have today haven't gone into it [the new version's use of a corrupted Greek text], just as I hadn't gone into it...that's how easily one can be deceived. I'm going to talk to him [Dr. George Sweeting, president of moody Bible Institute] about these things. "You can say the Authorized Version is absolutely correct. How correct? 100% correct! I believe the Spirit of God led the translators of the Authorized Version. If you must stand against everyone else, stand...." Dr. Frank Logsdon

TWO CORRUPTING SMUGGLERS.

It was Westcott and Hort (late 1800's) who smuggled these manuscripts in when trying to rid the word of God, the Authorized Version. And it was Westcott and Hort who practically controlled the committee of the Revised Version. They relied on corrupt manuscripts which gave birth to all the new versions we have on the market today. If you want to find out how corrupt these men were in their beliefs , just get the booklet, "Heresies of Westcott & Hort" by Rev. D.A. Waite, Th.D., Ph.D. (The Bible for Today, 900 Park Avenue, Collingswood, New Jersey 08108).

Once you read the Booklet, along with "New Age Bible Versions" (by G.A. Riplinger), you will understand why the new versions agree with the Roman Catholic bibles.

SOME NOT FOOLED.

However, many Bible-believing Christians were not fooled by the **Revised Version** as it came out to the public in the latter part of the 1800' s, based on those corrupt manuscripts. Here is an excerpt from George Sales Bishop in a discourse preached June 7, 1885, soon after the Revised Version of the Bible first appeared:

"Because I am a minister of Christ, just as responsible to God as any man or minister on earth; because my business is to preach and to defend the Book, I cannot and will not keep silence. **If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?'**

"A sword in the hands of a child is mightier than a straw in the hands of a giant, and no amount of earnestness can be condemned when pleading, on straight lines, the cause of God.

I quote Dr. Thornwell, To imploy soft words and honeyed phrases in discussing questions of everlasting importance; to deal with errors that strike at the foundations of all human hope as if they were harmless and venial mistakes; to bless where God disapproves, and to make apologies where He calls us to stand up like men and assert, though it may be the aptest method of securing popular applause in a sophistical age, is cruelty to man and treachery to Heaven. Those who on such subjects attach more importance to the rules of courtesy than they do to the measures of truth do not defend the citadel, but betray it into the hands of its enemies. Love for Christ, and for the souls for whom He died, will be the exact measure of our zeal in exposing the dangers by which men's souls are ensnared." (As quoted in "Which Bible" by David Otis Fuller. DD, p.107)

There are more who speak up against those who would wish to destroy our Bible:

"Now let us divide off . Let those people who do not believe the Bible and who are critical of this and that part of it go clear over to the other side. Let them stand behind the devil's guns. Give us the out-and-out opposition of Infidelity rather than the work of these hybrid theologians; these Mongrel Ecclesiastics, these half evolved people who believe the Bible and so not believe it. "I take up the King James Translation. I consider it to be a perfect Bible." (DeWitt Talmadge, Sermons, Vol. 4, p. 187 and Vol. 18, p. 225, 1880)

Another:

"To alter the Authorized Version would unsettle the minds of thousands as to which was the word of God. There would be two Bibles spread throughout the land and what confusion this would create in almost every place. If the new translation were once to begin, where would it end? The Socinians would strike God' out of 1 Timothy 3:16 and strike out 1 John 5:7-8 as an interpolation.

"The AV, we believe is the grand bulwark of Protestantism, the safeguard of the gospel and the treasure of the church and we should be traitors in every sense of the word if we consented for it to be rifled by the sacrilegious hands of ...co-enemies of God and godliness." (Philpot, 1857, The Gospel Standard).

STRANGE

When I started comparing the versions, a thought came to my mind. "Isn't it rather odd that all these other translations would disagree with One Book?" Wouldn't you say that was rather strange?

QUESTIONING GOD'S WORD AND CAUSING DOUBT.

Okay, let's start at the beginning, shall we? And I mean the very beginning.

In the Garden of Eden God commands Adam:

"Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die" (Gen. 2:16-17).

God has given clear instructions. So what happens? Satan comes to *Garden Street* and tempts Eve. Now, how does Satan tempt anyone for that matter, let alone Eve? Think about it. If you are truly born again, you know Satan operates in a way in that he starts "casting doubt on God's word." Satan's words were, **"Yea, hath God said?"** DOUBT! And the old fool hasn't ceased casting doubt on God's word. He still does it today. Prove it? Sure. Just take a look at the footnotes in any of your new bibles, and you will read on just about every page:

- "Some Hebrew manuscripts and Septuagint say."
- "Not in early manuscripts..."
- "Some manuscripts.."
- "Many early manuscripts.."
- "This verse not found in the earliest mss."
- "Later mss. add."
- "Some authorities say."
- "Other ancient authorities omit this verse."
- "Other authorities add, some ancient."

CASTING DOUBT....THE WORK OF SATAN!

All this is casting doubt. I wonder how many new born babes in Christ pick up a bible and read all that stuff. How can they believe what is TRUE when there is so much DOUBT planted in with the Scriptures? All those notes certainly confused me. Then that led me to rely on Scholars and their commentaries, and then I had scholars and commentaries who disagreed with each another! What is a person to do?! What we have is a cast of doubt on just about every page of the New Testament! With all this doubt, the babes in Christ are probably thinking, "What **DID** God say? Are we left with the opinions of man? We most certainly are. We simple folks are just not educated enough to know all about this manuscripts business. It appears MAN has become our final authority in all matters of faith and practice rather than the **Bible**. Who are we going to trust? The whim of mere men, or the **HOLY BIBLE?**

Do you know that in front of the New American Standard Version it says, "Brackets in the text are around words *probably not* in the original writings." "Probably not?" How do they know for sure? For that matter, why don't they define "original writings? Are they working with manuscript evidence which should be right there before them, or are they working with some *lost originals* which they never saw a day in their life? For that matter, would they even know they had an original if one should pop up from somewhere? Shall we go back to Jeremiah and start searching in a pile of ashes or the Euphrates River? Happy hunting for the originals! Let's go back to a Scripture I already quoted,

"So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17).

Satan is destroying the faith of many by casting **doubt** and causing **confusion** in the Body of Christ. But my Bible tells me,

"...God is not the author of confusion." (1 Cor. 14:33)

And if one wants to talk about confusion, the last I heard, one goes to a Bible study to study the Bible and learn more about what God has to say. I attended a Bible study and do you want to know what I heard in the course of one month? "My Bible says God,' how come that one says, gods.'" In another class it's, "I have four different versions and this one says this, and this over here says that." Another time it is, "This one is wearing an earring on the right ear,' but in this Bible it says the left ear.'" Then the Pastor, during a sermon, says, "this verse, **without a cause**' is not in some manuscripts," when just a few weeks earlier he held up his King James Bible and warned us not to believe anybody who would tell us that Book is not true!!! Hello????

"For God is not the author of confusion" (1 Cor. 14:33).

Does this mean all these people are bad people? No. Again, some are just not informed. I stand just as guilty until the truth about the Scriptures was directed to my attention. 1 Corinthians 1:10 states,

"Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment."

How can we *speak the same thing* or have the *same judgement* when our own bibles don't speak the same thing?

Do you know what I do to Jehovah Witnesses who show up at my door? I take out my King James Bible and the first thing I say is, "Look, I have my Bible. In 1 Cor. 1:10, it says that we should all speak the same thing. So begin." Then they tell me about John 1:1, "In the beginning was the word and the word was with God and the word was a god." "Wait, wait, wait," I say. "That is not what my Bible says." Then they get over there in Colossians about "created all **other** things." "No, no, no! My Bible says He created **ALL** things." When talking about the Deity, I turn them over to 1 John 5:7,8. Do you know what happens by this time? They get this severe illness called, Greekitis. Did you ever see that type of illness? All of a sudden they want to speak in a different "tongue".

Now I'm not going to just pick on the N.W.T.. How about the NIV, NASB, etc.?

CONFUSION

My brother in Christ comes to me and reads Mark 9:42, "who believes." "Wait a minute," I say. "Brother Mike! Little ones who believe what? My Bible says, "**little ones that believe in me.**"

John 6:47, "he who believes has everlasting life." "Wait a minute, Mike. **BELIEVES WHO?** My Bible says, **He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.** Why are there words missing from your Bible?"

He's not giving up though. He reads Acts 22:16, "calling on His name." "There are many names, **whose name?** Mohammed? Confucius? My Bible says, **calling on the name of the Lord.**"

Romans 1:16, 1 Cor. 9:18, "gospel." "Oh come on! **Whose gospel?!** My Bible says, **the gospel of Christ.**"

Brother Mike continues. John 9:35, "Do you believe on the son of Man?" "This is too much," I say. "My Bible says, **Dost thou believe on the Son of God?**"

I continue, "Hey, by the way brother Mike, I'm looking here in your Bible and it doesn't have, **Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him.**' How come your Bible doesn't have that? Oh, oh, something's wrong over here brother Mike. Look here. Why, you are missing some more verses! You don't have, **And Philip said if thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.**' Somebody's been messin' with your bible, brother Mike, or someone has been messin' with mine. You and I are not speaking the same thing (1 Cor. 1:10)."

Now, I'm going to show you how these other bibles do not speak the same thing and how it attacks the **Deity** of Jesus Christ, **Salvation** by faith, the **Atonement** (blood), and the **Virgin Birth** of Christ, etc.. Look at those four I have mentioned, **Deity, Salvation, Atonement, Virgin Birth**. Shouldn't that tell us something????? Now who would be interested in these matters? Who would abhor the Deity, Virgin Birth, Atonement, and Salvation?

[THE DEITY OF CHRIST](#)

Let's start with the **Deity** of Christ. Pick up your King James Bible and the counterfeits, NIV, NAS, RSV, etc., and let's compare.

1 Tim. 3:16, KJV,

"And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into Glory."

Now read that carefully. The Scripture clearly teaches us that **Jesus is God!** Note: "**God**" was manifest in the flesh." Look at the NAS which states in the same passage,

"And by common confession great is the mystery of godliness: **He** who was revealed in the flesh, Was vindicated in the Spirit, Beheld by angels, Proclaimed among the nations, Believed on in the world, Taken up in glory."

Did you see the changes? The NAS changes the passage to say "HE who was revealed in the flesh..."

Did it ever occur to anyone that *everyone* is born in the flesh? The NIV says "He appeared in a body." Did you appear in a *body* when you were born? Look at these other bibles:

- NASB... He who was revealed in the flesh...
- NRSV....He was revealed in flesh...
- LB.....who came to earth as a man..
- REB.....He was manifested in the flesh...
- NWT.....He was made manifest in the flesh....

Satan, dangling his puppet string, has managed to get man to change **God** to **He**, and therefore what we end up with is that the Scripture no longer states the Biblical truth that **JESUS IS GOD!**

It was who? **It was GOD who was manifest in the flesh.**

Now for a look into the LIVING BIBLE (is it?) in 1 Tim. 3:16,

"It is quite true that the way to live a godly life is not an easy matter. But the answer lies in Christ, who came to earth as a man, was proved spotless and pure in his Spirit, was served by angels, was preached among the nations, was accepted by men everywhere and was received up again to his glory in heaven."

Do you know this is a lie?

The Scriptures state "**preached unto the Gentiles,**" not among the nations. What about "was accepted by men everywhere?" That's not true at all. Jesus was not "*accepted by men everywhere.*" Anyone with a little knowledge of Scripture knows this fact. Isaiah 53:3 tells us,

"He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief."

Furthermore, it leaves out **Jesus is God** and omits "seen by angels," and adds "in heaven" and "again".

[GOD'S BLOOD!](#)

Let's go to Acts 20:28, in the KJV,

"Take heed, therefore, unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood."

Now look in the Revised Standard Version,

"Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of **his own Son.**"

Now I don't know about you, but what I read in the King James is that God purchased the church with His own blood. Whose blood? **GOD'S BLOOD!** What is the conclusion? **CHRIST IS GOD!**

Somebody is out to make the Deity of Christ weak. The slithering serpent hasn't ceased.

JUDGEMENT SEAT OF CHRIST.

Romans 14:10b in the KJV,

"For we shall stand before the judgment seat of Christ....So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God."

We shall stand before what, and give an account to whom? We shall stand before the judgement seat of **Christ**, and we will give an account to **"God." Christ--- God.** See it? **CHRIST IS GOD!**

However, the NAS does not state this fact. It simply states,

"For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of **God**...So then each one of us shall give account of himself to **God.**

Where did Christ go??? The NIV also omits the name of Christ! These bibles lack the confirmation that **CHRIST IS GOD.**

DOES JESUS HAVE A BEGINNING?

Let's go on to something else. Does Jesus, as God, have a *beginning*? Do you know the Jehovah Witnesses believe Jesus Christ was a "created being?" I have had conversations with Jehovah Witnesses, and when I was using these other versions, I had a very difficult time proving Jesus Christ is God. NOW I KNOW WHY! They are quite pleased when you don't have the true word of God in your hand!

In Micah 5:2 in the KJV it states,

"But thou, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting."

Look at the RVS, NIV, etc., it states,

"But you, O Bethlehem, Ephrathah, who are little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose **origin** is from of old, from **ancient days.**"

Does Christ really have an "**origin?**" Was Christ from "*ancient days*" instead of "**from everlasting?**" Jesus Christ had no beginning for He is the Member of the Trinity. He is **ETERNAL**, he is "**from everlasting.**"

However, blasphemy occurs in these other bibles where they give Jesus Christ a beginning.

- NRSV.....from ancient days
- NAB.....from ancient times
- NWT.....from the days of time indefinite

These new bibles make Christ have a beginning! Ps. 90:2 says, "**even from everlasting to everlasting thou art God**" (KJV).

Jesus Christ has NO origin (depending upon what "Bible" you believe. 1 Cor. 1:10?).

Let's look and see what the KJV says in Hebrews 2:11,

"For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren."

Now look again at the RV for "**origin.**" It states there in Hebrews 2:11,

"For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified have all one **origin.** That is why he is not ashamed to call them brethren."

The Scriptures don't tell me Christ had an origin, and to say Christ had the same *origin as man*, is saying that Christ is a *created being*! This doctrine is what the Bible calls **FALSE DOCTRINE.** Jesus Christ has a very hard time in the matter of His DEITY and His EXISTENCE in these new perverted versions. Let's look at the Old Testament for example: In Daniel 3:25 (KJV), we read:

"He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

Note: "...like the **Son of God.**"

This passage shows Christ existed long before He was born in Bethlehem. However, the new versions pervert it with pagan foolishness:

- NIV..... a son of the gods
- NASB... a son of the gods
- NRSV... a god
- REB..... a god
- LB..... a god
- NWT.... a son of the gods

DOCTRINE AFFECTED!

Now we will be told, *"No important doctrines are affected by these new versions."* That's a lie! Do you want to know what they "really" mean? They will tell you it's no big deal if a couple of verses are removed, because the Bible doctrine will still be *somewhere* else in the Bible. In other words, if we have about nine verses showing the virgin birth of Jesus Christ and three of those verses were removed, there are still six verses remaining to prove the doctrine. However, that's not the point. It is simply a destruction of God's word a little at a time until it ceases to be. If you removed your first name, would your name still be the same?

What we are getting is a piece-by-piece destruction of God's word. As one has aptly said, "If you find \$10.00 in the SEWER, that does not entitle you to call the sewer a BANK."

NO WORSHIP?

Okay, what about worship? Jesus said concerning worship:

"Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve" (Matthew 4:10 KJV).

Did you ever find Jesus complaining when He was worshiped? Jesus accepted worship, and by accepting worship, He is admitting He is God or otherwise He would have let them know exactly what He told the devil in Matt. 4:10. However, these "new bibles" seem to have a problem with Jesus being worshiped.

"Matt. 20:20 (KJV),

"Then came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him."

The NAS,

"Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to Him with her sons, **bowing down**, and making a request of Him."

Matt. 9:18 (KJV),

"While he spake these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live."

NAS,

"While he was saying these things to them, behold, there came a synagogue official, and **bowed down** before him saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay Your hand on her, and she will live."

Luke 24:52 (KJV),

"And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy."

NAS,

"And they returned to Jerusalem with great joy." **(worship omitted)**.

A person can bow before a King and Queen, but to do so is to show respect, not worship. Remember what Jesus said to the devil in Matt. 4:10? Does somebody not want us to get any ideas that **JESUS IS GOD?!**

You also might find it interesting to look in your NASB which you will discover it omits or brackets almost every mention of the ascension, bodily resurrection, and appearance of Jesus Christ after His death. Isn't that rather "odd?"

In the KJV it states in Luke 24:51-52,

"He was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him."

However, watch how God's "words" suddenly disappear in the NASB, for it omits the very significant part.

Instead it says,

"He parted from them."

Now you see it, now you don't. They omit "**he was carried up into heaven,**" and "**they worshipped him.**"

All Of This Is Denying The Deity Of The Lord Jesus Christ! Isn't that rather, "odd?"

By the way, don't look for "**Holy**" men in the Bible. The word "Holy" is becoming one of those "archaic" words! Shame!

SALVATION

What about salvation? We shall go to the issue of salvation in these other false bibles which agree with the Roman Catholic theology (and their bible). Thanks to Dr. G. A. Riplinger, let's demonstrate to you how they present salvation as a *process* which *requires good works*. As you read the following, note carefully the unnatural *straining of the tenses*.

In Luke 13:23 (new versions), "Are there few who are **being saved?**" KJV, "**...be saved.**"

1 Cor. 2:15 (new versions), "are **being saved.**" KJV, **are saved.**"

2 Cor. 1:18 (new versions), "those who are perishing foolishness, but to us who are **being saved**" KJV, **...are saved.**"

Acts 15:19 (new versions) "**are turning** to God." KJV, "**turned.**"

Luke 15:32 (new versions), "your brother was dead and **has begun to live.**" KJV, "**is alive.**"

Col. 3:10 (new versions), "**are perishing.**" KJV, "**are lost.**"

Acts 2:47 (new versions), "**were being saved.**" KJV, "**should be saved.**"

2 Cor. 4:3 (new versions), "**are perishing.**" KJV, "**are lost.**"

With all those unnatural straining of the tenses, no wonder I didn't know if I were truly saved.

Eph. 2:8.9 says (KJV),

"For by grace ye are saved through faith: and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast."

We are either saved or we are not. Some bibles omit Rom. 11:6,

"But if it be of works then it is no more grace: otherwise work is no more work."

Here are other attacks on salvation. John 6:47 says,

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life." (KJV)

Now the NIV and NAS, etc.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life." (NAS)

Remember my brother Mike? The NIV has done the same thing. He who believes **What?** Buddah? Mohammed? When one takes out Jesus saying **on me**, it leaves the verse open to fill in any deity one so desires.

[SALVATION BY BELIEF OR OBEDIENCE?](#)

John 3:36 (KJV),

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

Now what I get out of this verse is that by **believing** on the Son, one has everlasting life. The scripture talks about **believing**.

Now the NAS,

"He who **believes** in the Son has eternal life; but he who **DOES NOT OBEY** the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him."

Did you see the change? Now the declaration is **SALVATION BY OBEDIENCE** rather than by **BELIEVING!**

Salvation is a FREE GIFT and is not an earned reward.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord (Rom. 6:23 KJV)

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: NOT OF WORKS, lest any man should boast." (Eph. 2:8,9 KJV)

When the jailors asked what must they do to be saved, Paul didn't say, "Well, if you do not obey you shall not see life." He answered,

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved..." (Acts 16:31 KJV)

[DO YOU HAVE A JEHOVAH'S WITNESS BIBLE?](#)

When it comes to salvation by works, these new versions match the Jehovah's Witnesses bible also. The Jehovah Witnesses bible substitutes the word "disobedience" for "unbelief" and "obey" for "believe." Watch what its counterfeit sisters (NIV, NASB, etc.) do. Just compare the following:

- John 3:36, "disobedience" rather than "believeth" as in the Authorized Text.
- Rom. 11:32, "disobedience" rather than "unbelief" as in the Authorized Text.
- Heb. 3:18, "disobedient" rather than "believed not" as in the Authorized Text.
- Heb. 4:6, "disobedience" rather than "unbelief" as in the Authorized Text.
- Heb. 4:11, "disobedience" rather than "unbelief" as in the Authorized Text.

If salvation is obtained by **obeying**, then salvation is by **works** and not **faith**. Romans 4:5 tells me **Belief** is the opposite of works. Is it any wonder why some have doubt about their salvation? Satan has managed to cast **doubt!**

Zech. 9:9 (KJV),

"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass."

Revised Standard,

"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on an ass, on a colt the foal of an ass."

OMITS **"and having salvation."**

The fact is, no one can earn his salvation, **"Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us"** (Titus 3:5). That salvation came with a price, it was **God's own blood!**

By the way, would you tell your children how **hard** it is to enter into the kingdom of God? Don't let them get their hands on the NIV, etc., for it states,

"how hard it is to enter into the kingdom of God" (Mark 10:24).

That's NOT what Jesus said. He said:

"Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God."

The NIV omitted "that trust in riches."

Also, just because a road is **narrow**, does that make it **difficult**? The NKJV changes the KJV from "narrow is the way," to "difficult is the way." Jesus said there was nothing difficult about salvation. He said in Matthew 11:30 (KJV),

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The exact opposite. God does not contradict Himself!

Now, do you grow up in respect **to salvation**, or do you **have salvation**? Didn't the Scriptures tell us salvation is a *free gift*, and that it cannot be earned (Eph. 2:8,9)? The KJV also states,

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved..." (Acts 16:31).

Let's see how we grow, **not to salvation**, but just grow in the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:2 (KJV),

"As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby."

Revised Standard:

"Like newborn babes, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may **grow up to salvation.**"

Did you see it? They added **"up to salvation"**! We don't grow up *to salvation*. Furthermore, the words **"of the word"** have been omitted. Do you know what the "milk" actually is?

As put by one preacher. It is a Biblical fact that we:

1. Grow into him (the Lord, Eph. 4:15)
2. We grow in grace AFTER our salvation (2 Peter 3:18)
3. And we are told to work OUT our salvation (NOT work "for" our salvation)
4. And AFTER the gift of salvation, God works in us (Phil 2:13).

"For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure" (Phil. 2:13).

Once we are saved, we grow in the Lord Jesus by using the word of God. Once you accept Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, you have Salvation. Growing in respect **TO Salvation** is a lie from the pit of hell. There is *another gospel* preached, and it's not the right one! **DOCTRINE IS ATTACKED.**

Dr. Peter S. Ruckman made an interesting comment. Read carefully and ask yourself if he could be accurate. He states concerning why there is no revival:

"The trouble that has overtaken our country is simple, at least in regards to new converts and obeying the Bible. We have thousands getting saved. If you totaled the professions of faith in Billy Graham's crusades, plus the professions recorded on Sunday morning in 500 independent Baptist Churches, they would run over 5,000 a week. But there is still no real revival.

Furthermore, there will be no revival until the THIRD part of the work is obeyed. As long as "teaching the converts" consists of dumping 35 versions in their hands, plying them with prizes to get them to come back to church, disciplining them to worship an Educational Institution, getting them to join in fellowships that avoid "sound doctrine," or causing them to trust the scholarship of some egotistical flapjack who thinks that Greek and Hebrew knowledge equipped him to spit on the Bible, there will be no real revival.' Don't look for one; it isn't coming."

HUNGRY AND THIRSTY?

Are you hungry?

"And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger, and he that believeth on me shall never thirst" (John 6:35KJV).

NAS, Jesus said to them,

"I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me shall **not** hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst."

I just ate breakfast, but it doesn't mean I won't be hungry later. It would be very interesting to find out why they changed the word "never" in one place and not the other. Jesus said, "**...he that cometh to me shall NEVER hunger and NEVER thirst.**"

VIRGIN BIRTH

What about the attack on the Virgin Birth?

Isaiah 7:14 (KJV),

"Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

Want to hear what the GOOD NEWS(?) has to say?

"Well, then, the Lord himself will give you a sign: a **young woman who is pregnant will have a son** and will name him 'Immanuel'" (Isa. 7:14).

Well, I was pregnant with two sons!! Didn't these educated Scholars, while sipping their cup of hot coffee, know that it is actually quite possible for a young woman who is pregnant to have a son? Is that suppose to be a **SIGN????**

Did they get a brain freeze when it came to the word *virgin* as mentioned in Isaiah 14:7? The fuss is that we are to believe the word really means a "young woman". (Maybe Matthew had a problem when it came to "translating".) However, if this is a **sign** that a "**young woman who is pregnant will have a son,**" then this sorry sign is happening every minute of the day all over the world!!! No! We are told in Isaiah that the miracle is a **VIRGIN WOULD CONCEIVE**. Now that's a sign!!!

Listen, that Jesus would have come from an earthly, human father, would mean He was like you and me. It would mean He was a man born in **trespasses and sins** (Eph. 2:1) because his "origin" would have been from man. **"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned"** (Rom. 5:12).

But you say, "Yeah, but even the King James, in Luke 2, shows Joseph and Mary are called Jesus' parents, and Mary refers to Joseph as Jesus' father.

Yes, we are given an account of what **MARY SAID** by the Holy Spirit who wrote the Scriptures. But for that matter, if I were in Mary's shoes, I would have done the same thing. I would have protected my sweet precious child in the audience of those doctors. I would not have given those doctors the chance to accuse my son of being a product of an illegitimate birth (though that's what they were doing under their breath until it finally came out. John 8:41) Could **YOU** imagine telling those guys that Joseph was not the real father of Jesus, because your son was the product of conceiving without having sexual intercourse with a man! Could you imagine the hysterical spasms that would take place?

If anybody ought to know about how Jesus came into this world, it would be Mary. She knows Joseph is not the biological father, as well as Joseph. Furthermore, the Holy Spirit says Jesus was about His "Father's business." Joseph nor Mary understood what He meant (Luke 2:50). You see, the Holy Spirit didn't say Jesus was about "Joseph's business." Joseph did not dwell in the Temple.

Mary called Joseph Jesus' father. **HOWEVER**, notice closely where the Holy Spirit is careful not to mention Joseph as Jesus' father:

"And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him" (Luke 2:33 KJV).

Of course Joseph can be considered a parent, but we know he is not the biological father.

However, the NAS, NIV, etc. ignored that fact. It says,

"And His **father** and mother were amazed at the things which were being said about Him."

- NRSV...the child's father
- REB.....The child's father
- NAB.....the child's father
- NWT.....its father

[DIRTY SLANG FOR YOUR CHILDREN?](#)

By the way, how about your children using *dirty slang*? Just hand them the Living Bible or Good News for Modern Man. John 9:34 in the King James states,

"They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they cast him out."

The Living Bible:

"You **illegitimate bastard**, you!" They shouted. "Are you trying to teach us?" And they threw him out."

Try 1 Samuel 20:30. The King James states,

"Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said unto him, Thou son of the perverse rebellious woman..."

Now the Living Bible:

"Saul boiled with rage, **you son of a bitch!**"

What about the common usage of telling someone to go to hell? Where did that come from? The King James Bible? No. But you will find it in Good News for Modern Man, for it states in Acts 8:20,

"May you and your money go to hell"

The King James says no such thing. It states,

"Thy money perish with thee."

[HUSBAND.... NO HUSBAND....NO MAN....](#)

Okay, back to the **Virgin birth**. Luke 1:34 (KJV) states,

"Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?"

Revised Standard,

"And Mary said to the angel, 'How shall this be, since I **have no husband?**'"

My, this is like going over the logic of the young pregnant woman. We all know it's possible to have children **without legally having a husband!** The Scriptures declare Mary was a virgin before the birth of Jesus, but somebody is trying to cover up this fact.

I would like to quote another excerpt from a letter I received from my former Sunday School teacher. I was concerned and I brought these matters to his attention pertaining to the differences between these bibles and the King James Version, and how it attacks these doctrines. He stated:

"Neither the King James Version or the NIV (I have no first hand knowledge of other translations) present a problem for me. They both contain 100% solid doctrine with no discrepancies in either translation, a perfect recounting of all of God's miracles that He wants to reveal in scripture and so on and so on."

I don't know why he doesn't see the difference. When there are two opposite statements, both cannot be true. One has to be false and the other true. Maybe I haven't been **educated** enough to **change the truth of God into a lie** (Rom. 1:25). Paul says if a man wants to be ignorant, let him be ignorant (1 Cor. 14:38). In Koine English the word for ignorant would be "stupid".

[GOD'S WORD PRESERVED!](#)

Let's examine the area concerning the "words of God". I have quoted to you one of the very verses that promises the preservation of God's words (Ps. 12:6,7, KJV),

"The words of the Lord are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever."

Here we have God's promises of **preserving** the same words He **inspired**. However, the NIV says,

"And the words of the LORD are flawless, like silver refined in a furnace of clay, purified seven times. O LORD, you will keep **us** safe and protect us from such people forever."

Note the word "us" has been inserted which takes away the meaning from God's **words**. We are led to believe that verse 7 is talking about preserving the Jews, not the Scriptures themselves. Notice how these other bibles destroy this promise by making us think it has to do with human beings rather than God's word.

- NAB.....you will keep us safe.
- NASB.....Thou wilt preserve him
- REB.....you are our protector
- NRSV.....You, O Lord, will protect us
- LB.....you will forever preserve your own

God promised to **preserve His words**, and is a direct reference to those words as described in Psalm 12:6.

Psalm 138:2 (KJV)

I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name."

Why?

"Thy word is truth" (note John 17:17).

"Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."

"He whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God" (Jn. 3:34).

"He whom God hath sent speaketh the words God" (Jn. 3:34).

"The words that I speak unto you, they are...life" (Jn. 6:63).

"I have given to them the words which thou gavest me" (Jn. 17:8)

"If you abide in me and my words abide in you" (Jn. 15:7).

"If a man love me, he will keep my words" (Jn. 15:23)

Etc. Etc. Etc. Etc. Etc.

However, who is the "*god of this world,*" and who would have a problem with the words of God?????

MILK PLEASE!

1 Peter 2:2 (KJV)

"As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby."

The RSV, NIV (Revised Senile Version, and Never Improved Version) has "spiritual milk." Someone on the internet quoted that verse and I asked him, "What is "spiritual milk?" He couldn't give me an answer. My Bible tells me the "**word of God**" is the **milk** that will help us grow. **That's** the milk, the **word of God!**

BREAD ALONE?

Luke 4:4 (KJV),

"And Jesus answered him saying, It is written that man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God."

The NAS, NIV etc. omit "**but by every word of God!**"

ATONEMENT

Okay, what about the blood atonement? Do you know we have redemption through His blood? The false bibles are suffering from a lack of blood. The Scriptures state in Col. 1:14 (KJV),

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins."

NIV, NAS, etc., "in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." (also see any Roman Catholic Bible.)

Omitted **through his blood!** Horror! Satan certainly doesn't like that one! It's demonic tampering when one plays with the **BLOOD**. There is absolutely no redemption any other way than through the **Blood of Christ!** Even in the Old Testament we do not find any of those folks were ever *redeemed* by the *forgiveness of sins* (Ex. 34:7). So don't let those counterfeit bibles lead you to believe that *redemption is synonymous with forgiveness of sins*. It IS NOT.....maybe for Roman Catholicism, but not according to scriptures. If your bible suffers from anemia, put it down and get the one that doesn't.

[CHRISTIANS TO ENCOURAGE MUTILATION??](#)

In Galatians 5:12 (KJV) it states:

I would they were even cut off which trouble you.

In the context, there were some who were trying to entangle the Galatian believers into the yoke of bondage. The Galatian believers were being troubled by false apostles. The message is clear; Paul simply wishes that these people would have **NO FELLOWSHIP** with the true believers. In the New Testament (2 John) we are not to associate with heretics.

However, in these new versions we are led to believe Paul is encouraging bodily mutilation rather than disfellowship. Look at how this is done:

"I wish they would go the whole way and emasculate themselves." (NIV)

"I would like to see the knife slip." (JB)

"Would that those who are troubling you would even mutilate themselves."
(NASB)

Do you see now how a little change in words can make a big difference?

Well, you have just seen only a tiny example of what has happened to our Scriptures. What is the verdict? Galatians 5:9 states (KJV),

"A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump."

When will it stop? It won't. A sample of what has been shown to you so far is not only an out-right attack against Salvation, the Deity, the Virgin Birth and the Atonement, but also the **essentials doctrines** of the Christian faith.

LACK OF SOUND DOCTRINE MEANS MORE OF SATAN.

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." (2 Tim. 3:16 KJV)

Notice what is first on the list after we read about Scripture given by inspiration of God. The first concerns **DOCTRINE**. Watch out for churches who do not stress doctrine. In the Bible we are told to "**heed it**" (1 Tim. 4:16), and we are told to "**give attendance**" to it (1 Tim. 4:13).

Believe it or not, learning sound doctrine is not impossible. If you believe your Bible, you will know this is true (2 Tim. 3:16). Second Timothy 2:15 tells us we are to be in the business of "**rightly dividing the word of truth.**" For when a person studies his Bible (2 Tim. 2:15), he will not be not ashamed. We cannot separate doctrine and Scripture (1 Tim. 5:17, 2 Tim. 3:16). Read 1 Tim. 4:2 for the result.

How do we give attendance to **doctrine** when scores of verses are omitted or stuck in the foot notes questioning its authenticity? If a person says Satan is not interested in doctrine, then I believe that person is ignorant and doesn't know his enemy. Consider the following:

"It is better to be divided by the truth than to be united in error. It is better to speak the truth that hurts and then heals, than falsehood that comforts and then kills. Let me tell you something, friend, it is not love and it is not friendship if we fail to declare the whole counsel of God. It is better to be hated for telling the truth, than to be loved for telling a lie. It is impossible to find anyone in the Bible who was a power for God who did not have enemies and was not hated. It's better to stand alone with the truth, than to be wrong with the multitude. It is better to ultimately succeed with the truth than to temporarily succeed with a lie. There is only one Gospel and Paul said, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed." (Pastor Adrian Rodgers, excerpts from talk, National Religious Broadcasters Convention, 1996.)

SATAN OUT TO DISARM.

Satan has been successful at disarming the Christian from his sword and the Christian doesn't even discern what has happened to it! For that matter, there are some who never had it to begin with! The Bible says to be careful,

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" (2 Peter 5:8 KJV).

[FALSE BIBLES PRODUCE FALSE TEACHERS.](#)

"But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of" (2 Peter 2:1-2 KJV).

[BIBLE? BIG MONEY?](#)

"And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth now" (2 Peter 2:1-3 KJV).

Is there something wrong with making money? Of course not, but what is the "motive" when it comes to the "Bible"? For that matter, does the Bible really need to be rewritten? No. It just needs to be reread!

Did you know the King James Bible does not have a copyright? Do you know why? Because one *cannot copyright God's word!* The Scriptures says,

"...but the word of God is not bound" (2 Tim. 2:9 KJV)

As long as these bibles have a copyright, IT IS NOT OF GOD. Read carefully the first page of these new bibles. For instance, the NIV states:

"The NIV text may be quoted in any form (written, visual, electronic or audio), up to and inclusive of five hundred (500) verses without express written permission of the publisher, providing the verses quoted do not amount to a complete book of the Bible nor do the verses quoted account for 25 percent or more of the total text of the work in which they are quoted."

Do you know what that actually says? Let's hear what it would sound like if this were coming from the mouth of Jesus when talking with His disciples:

"The scriptures may be quoted in any form, up to and inclusive of five hundred verses without the express written permission of the author, providing the scripture verses quoted do not amount to a complete book of the scriptures nor do the scripture verses quoted account for 25 percent or more of the total text of the work in which they are quoted. **Now go and preach the gospel.**"

When Jesus said to go and preach the gospel, He did not say we were limited as to how many Scripture verses we could quote, copy, etc.

Now if you have the Scriptures, the King James Bible, with nobody's notes in them, what do you see concerning copyright or permission about printing?

ABSOLUTELY NOTHING! You can copy the whole book to your heart's content, pass it on to other sinners anywhere in the world, and you won't have to pay one red cent, or worry about breaking copyright laws to do so....**THE WORD OF GOD IS NOT BOUND!** (2 Tim:2:9)

When anyone takes a copyright on what is called the "Bible," then the copyright owners readily admits that what is between the covers are "*their own words*," not God's. Just look up the New Standard Encyclopedia vol, 3, p. 565 and read how it defines "copyright". It states:

"The legal protection given to **authors** and artist to prevent reproduction of **their** work without their consent. The owner of a copyright has the **exclusive** right to print, reprint, publish, copy and **SELL** the material covered by the copyright."

Very interesting. Isn't God the "author" of His Book, THE HOLY BIBLE? With these "new bibles" God is no longer the "author."

Now, let me give you an example of something. We know the NASB and the NIV are both copywritten. Since both are copywritten, they cannot legally use the same words. Look what happens. Go to 2 Cor. 1:12 and 1:14, and you will find the NIV uses the term "boast." Now go in the NAS and you will find it uses the term "proud." These are the two words which promote the ungodly *self-esteem* in many churches today. *Boasting* and *proud* is a far cry from "**rejoicing**," as stated in the King James Bible.

Also, don't fall for the devil's, "It's all a matter of semantics," trick. We wouldn't even have to discuss semantics if our Bibles *spoke the same thing!*

"And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make MERCHANDISE of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth now" (2 Peter 2:1-3 KJV).

Folks, Satan is in the business of making bible\$ (make MERCHANDISE of you).

[DON'T MESS WITH THE WORD.](#)

"And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life..." (Rev. 22:19 KJV).

God's Book has 3,546,489 letters, 810,697 words, 31,175 verses and 1,189 chapters. All those words must be important! The NIV omits at least 64,000 words.

The fact again is that every "bible" on the market today **disagrees** with **ONE BOOK**, and that is the Authorized Version.

If you own an NIV, the following may be of some interest to you. Again, thanks to Mrs. Gail Riplinger, look up the following verses and notice how the Names and the Titles of Jesus are omitted in the NIV. The verses in the asterisk (*) will show you how the NIV substituted the title with an inferior one. So let's see how this counterfeit **denies** His name (Rev. 3:8)

Matt. 8:29.....Jesus
Matt. 9:28.....Jesus
Matt. 13:36.....Jesus
Matt. 13:51.....Lord
Matt. 15:30.....Jesus'
Matt. 16:20.....Jesus
Matt. 17:20.....Jesus
Matt. 17:22.....Jesus
Matt. 18:2.....Jesus
Matt. 18:11.....Son of man
Matt. 19:16.....*Good Master
Matt. 23:8.....Christ
Matt. 23:10.....*Master
Matt. 24:2.....Jesus
Matt. 25:13.....Son of man
Matt. 27:24.....just person
Matt. 28:6.....Lord
Mark 2:19.....bridegroom
Mark 5:13.....Jesus
Mark 7:27.....Jesus
Mark 9:24.....Lord
Mark 11:10.....Lord
Mark 11:14.....Jesus
Mark 14:18.....Jesus
Mark 14:45.....master (or Rabbi)
Luke 4:41.....Christ
Luke 7:22.....Jesus

Luke 7:31.....Lord
 Luke 9:35.....*beloved Son
 Luke 9:56.....Son of man
 Luke 9:57.....Lord
 Luke 13:25.....Lord
 Luke 17:6.....Lord
 Luke 22:31.....Lord
 Luke 23:42.....Lord
 John 4:16.....Jesus
 John 4:42.....Christ
 John 4:46.....Jesus
 John 6:69.....Christ
 John 6:69.....*Son of the Living God
 John 8:20.....Jesus
 John 8:35.....the Son
 John 9:35.....*Son of God
 John 11:14.....Jesus
 John 11:39.....Jesus
 John 13:23.....Jesus
 John 19:38.....Jesus
 John 20:15.....Jesus
 John 21:5.....Jesus
 John 21:21.....Jesus
 Acts 2:30.....Christ
 Acts 3:13.....*his Son
 Acts 3:23.....prophet
 Acts 3:26.....*his Son
 Acts 3:26.....Jesus
 Acts 4:27.....*holy child
 Acts 4:30.....*holy child
 Acts 7:30.....Lord
 Acts 8:37.....Jesus Christ
 Acts 8:37.....Son of God
 Acts 9:5.....Lord
 Acts 9:6.....Lord (twice)
 Acts 9:29.....Jesus
 Acts 15:11.....Christ
 Acts 15:18.....God
 Acts 16:31.....Christ
 Acts 19:4.....Christ
 Acts 19:10.....Jesus
 Acts 20:21.....Christ
 Acts 22:16.....Lord
 Rom. 1:16.....Christ

Rom. 6:11.....Lord
 Rom. 14:6.....Lord
 Rom. 15:8.....Jesus
 Rom. 16:18.....Jesus
 Rom. 16:20.....Christ
 Rom. 16:24.....Lord Jesus Christ
 I Cor. 5:4.....Christ (twice)
 I Cor. 5:5.....Jesus
 I Cor. 9:1.....Christ
 I Cor. 9:18.....Christ
 I Cor. 10:28.....Lord's
 I Cor. 15:23.....Christ's
 I Cor. 15:47.....Lord
 I Cor. 16:22.....Jesus Christ
 I Cor. 16:23.....Christ
 2 Cor. 4:6.....Jesus
 2 Cor. 4:10.....Lord
 2 Cor. 4:11.....Jesus
 2 Cor. 5:18.....Jesus
 2 Cor. 10:7.....Christ's
 2 Cor. 11:31.....Christ
 Gal. 3:17.....Christ
 Gal. 4:7.....Christ
 Gal. 6:15.....Christ Jesus
 Gal. 6:17.....Lord
 Eph. 3:9.....Jesus Christ
 Eph. 3:14.....Lord Jesus Christ
 Phil. 4:13.....Christ
 Col. 1:2.....Lord Jesus Christ
 Col. 1:28.....Jesus
 I Thess. 1:1.....Lord Jesus Christ
 I Thess. 2:19.....Christ
 I Thess. 3:11.....Christ
 I Thess. 3:13.....Christ
 2 Thess. 1:8.....Christ
 2 Thess. 1:12.....Christ
 I Tim. 1:1.....Lord
 I Tim. 2:7.....Christ
 I Tim. 3:16.....God
 I Tim. 5:21.....Lord
 2 Tim. 4:1.....Lord
 2 Tim. 4:22.....Jesus Christ
 Titus 1:4.....Lord
 Philem. 6.....Jesus

Heb. 3:1.....Christ
 Heb. 10:30.....Lord
 I Pet. 3:15.....*God
 I Pet. 5:10.....Jesus
 I Pet. 5:14.....Jesus
 I John 1:7.....Christ
 I John 4:3.....Christ
 I John 5:7.....the Word
 I John 5:13.....Son of God
 2 John 3.....Lord
 2 John 9.....Christ
 Rev. 1:8.....the beginning and the ending
 Rev. 1:9.....Christ (twice)
 Rev. 1:11.....Alpha and Omega
 Rev. 1:11.....the first and the last
 Rev. 1:13.....*Son of man
 Rev. 12:17.....Christ
 Rev. 14:14.....*Son of man
 Rev. 20:12.....God
 Rev. 22:21.....Christ

That was not even the beginning!

[TESTING! TESTING!](#)

We are told,

"Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God; Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of the anti-christ, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world" (1 John 4:1-3 KJV).

In "The New Athenians" by J.H. Son, read his response concerning the verses just quoted:

"In the above verses God has told BELIEVERS in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, to believe not every spirit. Instead, we are to try the spirits whether they are of God. We are told to look for TWO RESPONSES. FIRST, **"Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God."** Such a spirit, when tried, responds on the POSITIVE side of God's method for trying the spirits.

The SECOND response we are told to be aware of in trying the spirits is that which is NEGATIVE. **"And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of anti-christ..."** God's word tells BELIEVERS that if a spirit does not confess that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh, then that spirit is not of God.

"It is important for believers TO KNOW that the New International Version, New American Standard Bible, the Revised Standard Version, and the New Revised Standard Versions leave out these words, **"CHRIST HAS COME IN THE FLESH"** from the verse which tries the spirits which are not of God.

"The above modern versions substitute as their negative response: **Every spirit that does not acknowledge (or confess) Jesus is not from (of) God.**

"Such a spirit, as described in those corrupt versions, is not required to pass the test of confessing Jesus Christ as the Christ Who has come in the flesh since there is no mention in their versions of **"Christ has come in the flesh."** A spirit tried by THEIR STANDARDS would not, NECESSARILY, have to BELIEVE that God, the Father, BEGAT Jesus, His only BEGOTTEN Son. The Apostle John gives us TWO responses in trying and identifying the spirits; not just ONE." (The New Athenians" by J.H. Son, page 124 and 125)

[THE NEW KING JAMES VERSION.](#)

Okay, now what about the New King James Version? The preface of the New King James reads, "A special feature of the New King James Version is its conformity to the thought flow of the 1611 Bible....the new edition, while much clear are so close to the traditional..."

Thomas Nelson Publishers claims, in the Moody Monthly, June 1982, back cover, **"Nothing has been changed** except to make the original meaning clearer." It also claims to make the "old" KJV "much clearer" by "updating obsolete words" (NKJV, 1982e. P. 1235) Well? shall we mildly glance at the NKJV to see "whether these things are so?" (Acts 17:11)

One of the obsolete words happens to be **HELL**. Another? "REPENT"? And another? "DAMNED".

How does omitting the word "hell" at least 22 times make it much clearer? How much clearer is the meaning of hell when it is replaced with the word "hades"? How many people on the street do you hear say, "Oh hades!"

I have the American Heritage Dictionary and it defines Hades as: 1. Greek MYTHOLOGY."

You see, the problem isn't hell anymore, IT'S THE BIBLE BECOMING **MYTHOLOGY!**

Furthermore, Hades, to some, is not always considered a place of torment . It is also an abode of blessedness with silver skies called "Happy Fields" (Assyrian Hades). Hades is also *an intermediate state of purification* according to the satanic New Age Movement, just as it is equated with Roman Catholicism's place called "*Purgatory*" wherein souls must be "purged" of all sins before they can enter heaven; The meaning of "purgatory" flies in the face of Hebrews 1:3,

"...when he [Jesus] had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high."

The words of Jesus on the cross were, "**It is finished.**" Who is lying? I would rather believe God's word.

I don't know about you, but **HELL** is much clearer than hades. Let me give you an example of how foolish hades sounds. The KJV states,

"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

New King James Version

"And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and **the gates of hades** shall not prevail against it."

Cute!

Want to **SHOUT VICTORY?** Thy this one:

"O **Hades**, where is your victory?" (1 Cor. 15:55).

O hades, where is your victory???? I tell you what, hell may be obsolete in these new bibles, but not in the streets. Furthermore, Hades is not a translation. Hades is simply the Greek word spelled out with English letters. That is what is called **transliteration**. In other words, they just spelled the word out in English letters instead of Greek letters. When it comes to translating, we find out what the word

means.

STUDY?

Did you also know the word "**study**" has disappeared from 2 Tim. 2:15? Somebody does not want us to STUDY (also see sister bibles). If we don't study, we will not learn to "**rightly divide the truth.**" In these bibles, one does not need to study. Please pick up the Bible that can be studied and actually has the word **STUDY** (KJV)!

SATAN DISAPPEARS!

Also notice how "cleverly" Satan has managed to disappear (omitted) in the NKJV (Psalm 109:6). Satan's pen-writers also made sure the others followed suit.... NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV.

Pick up an NIV or NASB and look up Isaiah 12:14. In the Bible Jesus Christ is described as the "morning star" (2 Pet. 1:19; Rev. 2:28 and 22:16). However, Satan has managed to confuse the reader and leave him questioning as to who is actually referred to in Isa. 14:12. The NASB puts 2 Peter 1:19 as a reference right beside that verse. Jesus Christ is not the diatribe of Isaiah 14:12.

"The Hebrew is 'hele, ben shachar,' which is accurately translated, 'Lucifer, son of the morning.' The NIV and NASB give an English translation **as if** the Hebrew said, "**shachar kokab, ben shachar**" or morning star, son of the morning (or dawn). Yet the word for star (kokab) appears nowhere in the text. Also 'morning' appears only once, as the KJV shows, not twice as new versions indicate. The word **kokab** is translated as 'star' dozens of other times by NIV translators; morning or dawn is likewise used hundreds of times. New version editors know **boger kokab** is 'morning star' since it is used in Job 38:7. If God had intended to communicate 'morning star', he could have repeated it here. The word he chose, **helel**, appears nowhere else in the Old Testament, just as 'Lucifer'; appears nowhere else." (As quoted by Dr. G.A. Riplinger, New Age Bible Versions, p. 42)

STILL CAN'T FIND WORSHIP!

The New King James (which is not really "New") also omits "worship". Check Matthew 18:26 and Matthew 20:20. You won't find "worshipped him." This counterfeit bible does the same as its counterfeit sisters (see the NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV!), it robs Jesus of worship!

WHICH SPIRIT?

How about "**God is A Spirit**"? That's exactly what the King James Bible says for it distinguishes God from **other living spirits**. There is the *Spirit of God*, the *Holy Spirit*; There is the *spirit of the devil*, the *unclean spirit*; There is the *spirit of man*, the *human spirit*; And there is the spirit of *the animal*, the *spirit of the beast* (Ecc. 3:21). The NKJV simply states "God is spirit." Which one? (See sister counterfeits NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV, etc.)

WHERE DID THE COMFORTER GO?

In the NKJV, the Holy Spirit is no longer a *Comforter* (Jn. 14:16). The NKJV agrees with the Jehovah Witnesses bible and uses the term, "*helper*."

CORRUPT OR PEDDLING?

Is the NKJV (along with other modern fake bibles) interested in "corrupting" the word of God? Can't make it look like that, so it must be changed from "**For we are not many which CORRUPT the word of God**" to "For we are not, as so many, **PEDDLING** the word of God." Where in Scripture is God's word ever peddled? They were busy **CORRUPTING**, not peddling (Jer. 23:36, 2 Cor. 2:17). If there were any peddling going on, it had to do with peddling the Holy Spirit! (See Acts 8). Watch out for modern false bibles ("make merchandise of you," 2 Peter 2:3) .

SALVATION ATTACKED AGAIN.

Even the NKJV attacks salvation! It states in 1 John 5:13,

"These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may **CONTINUE TO** believe in the name of the Son of God."

ADDED "continue to"! This is an attack on **eternal security!** 2 Tim. 2:13(KJV) states the fact that,

"If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself."

In the dispensation of the Church Age one may lose their faith, but that does not mean one loses his or her salvation! God will always be faithful even when we are not!

WHERE IS GOD'S SON?

And what about Jesus Christ as God's Son? The Jehovah witnesses believe that Jesus Christ was not God in the flesh and therefore deny His Sonship. The NKJV (as well as the other versions) use the word "servant," rather than Son. Please note the following:

- NKJV KJV
- Acts 3:13 His Servant Jesus his Son Jesus
- Acts 3:26 His Servant Jesus his Son Jesus
- Acts 4:27 holy Servant Jesus holy child Jesus
- Acts 4:30 holy Servant Jesus holy child Jesus

My Bible does not say *servant* in these verses.. These Bibles match the Jehovah Witnesses bible who deny the *Deity* of Christ.

When I read the Bible I am reminded of the Devil questioning Jesus. **"If thou be the SON of God....."** That was the question of the Devil! **"If thou be the SON of God."** Not **"If thou be the SERVANT of God,"** but **"If thou be the SON of God..."** The Devil is concerned with the **SON OF GOD!**

In Acts 3:13, the NKJV (as well as the other modern bibles) have *servant*, not Son. Well, Moses was a servant. We are considered servants. Mahatma Gandhi has been called a *"servant of God"*.

It is very odd that the NKJV takes that *same* Greek word in John Chapter 4, concerning the nobleman's son, and let's him be **son** rather than **servant**. It says **"son,"** because I understand that word can be translated either son or servant depending on the context. **Why is it the nobleman's son got to be son, BUT NOT SO WITH JESUS CHRIST?**

It is obvious these new versions reject the Sonship of Jesus in these passages by calling Him a *"Servant"* of God. Furthermore, the NIV translators claim that *"paida"* which is the accusative singular of *"pais"* should always be translated *"servant."* Yet what is very odd about this too is that they themselves also followed the King James rendering of "son" in John 4:51, that is, where it WASN'T A QUESTION OF CHRIST'S DEITY!!!! Isn't that rather odd?

TRINITY GRAVEN BY ART?

Have any of you seen the symbol on the New King James Version?

On a tract called the "NKJV Death Certificate," it states:

"The NKJV logo is the ancient symbol for the pagan trinity, not the Christian Trinity. Use of number symbols (like 666) can be traced back to Pythagoras (582 B.C.), initiate into the Egyptian mysteries. The symbol was popularized again by Satanist Aleister Crowley (circa 1900) for the Royal Arch (Lucifer) of the 3rd Degree of the York Order of Masonry. The symbol's shape is duplicated as three initiates join arms and feet, while repeating the names of ancient pagan trinity. The NKJV's symbol can be seen on satanic rock group albums like Led Zeppelin, as well as on New Age bestsellers like *The Aquarian Conspiracy*. Remember, Acts 17:29: We ought not to think the Godhead is like (anything)...graven by art...."

SOME FACTS ABOUT THE NEW KING JAMES VERSION.

- NKJV omits the word "Lord" 66 times!
- NKJV omits the word "God" 51 times!
- NKJV omits the word "heaven" 50 times!
- NKJV omits "repent" 44 times!
- NKJV omits "blood" 23 times!
- NKJV omits "hell" 22 times!
- NKJV omits "JEHOVAH" entirely.
- NKJV omits the word "new testament" entirely!
- NKJV omits the word "damnation" entirely!
- NKJV omits the word "devils" entirely.
- NKJV ignored the KJV Greek Textus Receptus over 1,200 times!
- NKJV replaced the KJV Hebrew (ben Chayyim) with the corrupt Stuttgart edition (ben Asher) Old Testament!

What's so "New" about the New King James Version? ABSOLUTELY NOTHING! It's just a reproduction of what is already in the NIV (Never Improved Version), NASV (New Authentic Scrap Version), NRSV (Newly Repeated Stumbling Version), RSV (Recycled Stiff's Version) , and NWT (Nothing Worth Teaching).

Did you hear there is a another new version coming out (it might be out already for all I know)? It's called *The Federal Standard Version* (Captain Janeway and her crew could really benefit from this one). Matthew 5:14 states,

"You are a nova in a galaxy. A meteor which is flying in the atmosphere cannot hide itself. If a nova explodes, you cannot hide it in a black hole. But it reveals itself in open space because it lights up the cosmos. Then shine for others. May your good deeds be seen and may you give honor to your Father in paradise."

Hello?? Enough said.

1 John 4:1(KJV) says,

"Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world."

As we have seen, many of these bibles attacked the **words** of God and His **doctrines**. We see how it can lead to confusion. We saw how readings were changed to give a different idea. Jesus said,

"It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4 KJV)

How can we live by every word when those words are missing?

[WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT FASTING?](#)

Take *fasting* for example. Another weapon we have besides the "sword," is that we can **pray and fast**. Jesus said,

"This kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting" (Matt. 17:21 KJV).

However, don't look for *fasting* in Mark 9:29, Cor. 6:5, 2 Cor. 7:5, 2 Cor. 11:27, Acts 10:30 (in the modern bibles), because neither you or I are to benefit from it. Somebody is interested in *disarming the Soldier!* **Surrender my weapon?** No way!!

[THESE NEW BIBLES NOT EASY TO UNDERSTAND.](#)

Now, I hear talk these days that the major reason people use other versions is to help them understand the scriptures. If anything, I just proved to you how these new versions are not easier to understand, rather they are much easier to *misunderstand* doctrinally. John 17:17 says,

"...thy word is truth."

We have reached the point where a majority of people who have been Christians for more than 10 years are still confused in doctrine, or just don't care about it. Some are not equipped to handle the truth when confronted with the cults.

Their SWORD OF THE SPIRIT IS MISSING!

Is it any wonder why so many Christians are confused and give up?

I have been a Christian for more than 15 years and practically learned nothing! From the onset I was brought up in Roman Catholicism, and when I did become born again, it was the Catholic Charismatics and the Protestant Charismatics who cradled me. They did not teach me truth. As a new born baby I followed them and looked to them for truth. But not anymore, I go to the Bible.

In these corrupt bibles, I just proved to you how you would have a difficult time proving some doctrines if you did not have the true Bible (KJV).

1. I just showed you how you would spend wasted hours trying to demonstrate to the Jehovah's Witnesses that **Jesus is God**, because without the King James Bible, you don't have very much proof.
2. How you would have a difficult time proving "once saved always saved," because of the unnatural straining of the tenses, and how these bibles attack the doctrine of salvation.
3. How these bibles teach that Jesus was a "created being" by giving Him an "origin".
4. How these bibles deny Jesus worship.
5. How these counterfeit bibles contradict God's true words.

God is not the author of confusion.

My former Sunday School teacher told me the following:

"The point is not that the KJV is wrong or that the NIV is wrong but that more than one translation plus additional reference works are necessary for proper understanding of scripture."

SCRIPTURE PLEASE!

Does the Bible say that "more than one translation, plus addition reference works are necessary for proper understanding of Scripture?" Of course not. That's MAN'S OPINION! Where has this man been? Any Born Again Christian should know that the

"....natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God..." (1 Cor. 2:14).

DO YOU TREMBLE?

Do you know what kind of people God is looking for in whom He will reveal knowledge? He is looking for people who **tremble at his words** Isa. 66:2 states,

"to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word."

God is looking for people who are poor and of a contrite spirit and tremble at His word. Why should God reveal anything to those who think they can blow kisses at His Book before they tear it apart? Is that the kind of "education" God is interested in (Ps. 62:9)? Does it matter if a person has a Ph.D., a Th.D., etc. after his name? If Isa. 66:2 is absent in one's life, no matter what title he has after his name, the result is still the same; the words of knowledge are going to be **"hid"** from them (Luke 10:21).

MUST WE KNOW HEBREW AND GREEK?

We are also told it is necessary to know the Hebrew and Greek in order to have a proper understanding of scriptures.

SCRIPTURES PLEASE!

Tell me, what happens when we get a poor old man or an old lady who don't have many years left to learn Greek or Hebrew? What about people who are very slow in learning? Does this mean they will never have a proper understanding of the Scriptures? What about young children? Do you want to know something? I don't even have that Bible down pat in my own language, and someone has the ordacity to tell me I should learn two more languages in order to have a proper understanding of the Scriptures? Does God command us to learn the Hebrew and Greek in order to have a proper understanding of what He has to say? If we don't understand some particular things in the Bible, then let us **PRAY FOR UNDERSTANDING**. We might be surprised at what Jesus can do!

"Then opened he their understanding that they might understand the scriptures" (Luke 24:45 KJV).

EXCUSES!

Another excuse for a new version is because the language is archaic and needs to be updated. Is that so? From what I understand, that Bible has been updated at least one hundred times between 1880 and 1980.

How fast do the words in the Bible become archaic? Do they become archaic every year or so?

There is an excellent book out titled, "**Archaic Words and the Authorized Version**," by Laurance M. Vance. As advertised , "The book provides an explicit and comprehensive examination of every word in the Authorized Version of the Bible that has been deemed archaic, obsolete, antiquated, or otherwise outmoded. The thesis of this seminal work is that the Authorized Version is no more archaic than daily newspapers, current magazines, and modern Bible versions." Anyone can place an order by calling 1 800-659-1478 (Bible Baptist Bookstore, located in Pensacola, Florida. Also ask for their free Catalogue).

WARNING.

I hope what I have given to you so far is enough to make you realize somebody is trying to disarm you and your family.

Let me warn you though, if you decide to stand by the King James Version as the true word of God, you will, without a doubt, come under ridicule. Believe me, I know. You should read all the messages I have received in the past by "Christians." As Gail Riplinger has graciously pointed out:

However, there is one rather temporary advantage in using a "new" bible version: you **will not be persecuted**. Isaiah 66:5 indicates that those Christians who "**tremble at his word**" will be "hated" and "cast" out by their "brethren." The advantage is temporary, though, because these "brethren" will be "ashamed" at the coming of the LORD. "Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my name's sake, said, "Let the LORD be glorified: but he shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed." So if someone takes your head off for standing for the word of God, know that it is merely a foreboding shadow of the coming tribulation when saints will be "beheaded...for the **word of God**" (Rev. 20:4) and "**slain for the word**" (Rev. 6:9). The Bible says,

"It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4KJV).

It says "**every word.**"

Do you have "**every word?**"

I believe it is very important that everyone take the time to compare the modern counterfeits with the Authorized Version (KJV), especially Preachers.

There are Preachers who openly admit they don't believe they have the perfect, infallible word of God today. If that is so, what is it they are preaching if they don't believe they are the very words of God? Is God a liar? Did His word fall by the wayside (Isa. 40:8, Ps. 12:6,7)?

I have heard many people say they "prefer" the King James Bible. My former Pastor claimed this. But the real problem is, they *don't believe it!* They think they can find mistakes in it. Many Christians "claim" they believe in the inerrant word of God, but ask them to hand you a copy and they can't find it!

There is also a rumor going around that Christians who believe they have the infallible, inerrant word of God are "church splitters." As Dr. Samuel Gipp says, "The only church that a believer in the perfect Bible could possibly split would have to be one that **didn't** believe that the Bible is perfect."

The fact is, there is no translation that agrees with the King James Version. Isn't that rather odd? Everything concerning God's words and His doctrines hinges on what He has **said** or did **not** say (read all of Jer. 23).

Furthermore, without all His words, we are left without a **defensive weapon** (Eph. 6:17). Remember, the **sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.**

[TIME FOR HOUSECLEANING!](#)

I believe we need to have "house cleaning" in many of our churches. In fact, there are some who are doing just that. Jesus said, **"If a man love me, he will keep my words."** (John 15:23). There are preachers who are dumping the new bibles and stocking their churches with the King James Bible.

I have done my own house cleaning here in my own home. I did not feel one ounce of guilt throwing these counterfeit bibles in the trash. My children have also been taught that the King James Bible is the true word of God. It would be a sin for me to offer them over 30 contradicting "bibles" to study from. I will not please the devil by disarming my children for what they will need for the rest of their life.

As long as they are under my roof I will not let them use bibles that bring in damnable heresies; bibles that weaken and attack salvation; bibles that deny His name; Christ's Deity; the Virgin Birth; and the Atonement.

"But though we, or an angel from heaven preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed" (Gal. 1:8-9)

Don't fall away from the truth. Read the material from those who defend the word of God. Without a doubt, the modern translations downgrade or deny the Deity of Christ, the Virgin Birth, the Blood Atonement, the Resurrection and the simplicity of His words.

As I said, there are some churches who have already started house cleaning. They have been informed and have examined the evidence. They are sounding the alarm and warning others. They also publicly declare to use only one book, the King James Bible, and they are not ashamed.

[THERE'S A FAMINE IN THE LAND.](#)

We have a famine taking place today. Not for food, but for God's word.

"Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:" (Amos 8:11 KJV).

People are traveling for miles around to find a church where the perfect word of God is read and preached.

How many Bibles does your church use? One? Two? Four? Sixteen? (1 Cor. 1:10?)

In closing, I would like to share a clip I came across one day. It goes as follows:

[NO BETTER BIBLE.](#)

"A new minister came to a certain church. He was full of sophisticated knowledge

and taught little from the Bible.

At the end of two years he was told that one of the leading men of his church was ill. He went to see him. There was no chance of recovery; the man was dying. After a little talk the minister said, Shall I read to you and pray with you?'

"Yes," replied the man, and beckoned to his wife to bring the Bible. A Bible was brought, and the minister opened it and saw a strange sight. Some books were taken out of it, some pages were torn away, some chapters gone, and some verses cut out; it was a shamefully mangled Bible.

"The minister said, Have you got no better Bible than this?'

"The dying man said, When you came to our church I had a whole Bible. But as soon as you told me that one book was fiction I tore it out; and that one chapter was not true, I removed it; and that some verses were unauthentic, I cut them out. And if I had had another year under you, I think I should have had the two covers, and nothing else."

CLOSING

1 Corinthians 1:10 (KJV) states,

Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment."

I have heard preachers many times ask the congregation to turn to certain passages in the Bible and to quote them out loud. One day I just decided I would listened, and all I heard was a lot of mumble jumble. There was no distinct sound I could understand. Why? Because we have bibles that do not speak the same thing. There are many verses omitted, and readings changed. But just imagine when all can quote the true preserved word of God (KJV) the next time the preachers makes his request. What unity there shall be in **speaking the same thing!**

"IF THE FOUNDATIONS BE DESTROYED, WHAT CAN THE RIGHTEOUS DO?"

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(Mark 4:19)

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