

Revelation 22

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- 1 *And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.*
- 2 *In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.*
- 3 *And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:*
- 4 *And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.*
- 5 *And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.*
- 6 *And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.*
- 7 *Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.*
- 8 *And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.*
- 9 *Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.*
- 10 *And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.*
- 11 *He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.*
- 12 *And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.*
- 13 *I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.*
- 14 *Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.*
- 15 *For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.*
- 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.*
- 17 *And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.*
- 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 out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.*

20 *He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.*

21 *The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.*

See Dr Ruckman's commentary *The Book of Revelation* pp 578-608 and the *Ruckman Reference Bible* pp 1669-1670.

1. Revelation 22:1, 14, 17. "...**a pure river of the water of life...**" is made available for ever according to the open invitation of Revelation 22:17 "...**the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely**" extended in particular to:

End Times saints said to "...**keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ...that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus**" Revelation 12:17, 14:12

Any and other non-Church Age saints meeting the conditions of Psalm 15:1-2 "**LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart**" and context and where for Old Testament saints or End Times saints Revelation 12:17, 14:12 would apply James 2:18 "...**I will shew thee my faith by my works**" must be followed and whose works in continuance passed the works-based judgement of the "...**great white throne, and him that sat on it...**" Revelation 20:11.

All those sets of saints will need both "...**the water of life...**" and "...**the tree of life...**" Revelation 22:2, 14 to sustain "...**the blessing, even life for evermore**" Psalm 133:3 and to come into "...**the presence of the LORD God...**" Genesis 3:8 and thereby at that time follow Psalm 100:4 "**Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name**" according to Revelation 22:14 "**Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.**"

See www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ Revelation 21 p 3 about "...**the water of life...**"

Today's believer has the promise of those blessings even now and in perpetuity by inspection according to 2 Corinthians 1:20-22 "**For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us. Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God; Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.**" See further *Revelation 2 Part 1* pp 4-5 www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ and this extract with respect to "...**the tree of life...**" Revelation 22:2, 14.

Revelation 2:7 [**He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God**] – a fitting description of "...**the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband**" Revelation 21:2]. The exhortation "**He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches**" applies in context as Paul states in 1 Timothy 4:1 "**Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils**" the context of Revelation 2:7 indicating that "**doctrines of devils**" include "**the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.**" See remarks under Revelation 2:6.

The exhortation in principle applies according to John 16:13 "**Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak; and he will shew you things to come.**"

The Lord's promise "**To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God**" would have historical and indeed devotional application for to-

day's believer according to 1 John 5:4-5 **"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?"** in the sense of trusting in John 6:57 **"As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me."**

Doctrinally and prophetically the Lord's promise applies to End Times saints of whom John states **"And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held"** Revelation 6:9 and **"Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city"** Revelation 22:14.

By contrast the Church Age saint is never under any altar because as Paul states **"...God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us...hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus"** Ephesians 2:4, 6.

Moreover the Church Age saint has no need of **"the tree of life"** as such because as Paul states **"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God"** Romans 5:1-2 so that the Church Age saint can rejoice *now* that he is of those **"...with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life"** Philippians 4:3.

Therefore **"Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice"** Philippians 4:4.

All saints of course should always remember that open access to **"...the blessing, even life for evermore"** Psalm 133:3, **"...the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus..."** Romans 8:2, **"...the word of life..."** Philippians 2:16, **"...the Word of life"** 1 John 1:1, **"...the water of life..."** Revelation 22:1, 17 and **"...the tree of life..."** Revelation 22:2, 14 is granted exclusively by Him of Whom Peter testified **"But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses"** Acts 3:14-15.

2. **Revelation 22:2.** See remarks above with respect to **"...the tree of life..."** Revelation 2:7, 22:2, 14. Revelation 22:2 **"In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations"** specifies a *type* of tree not a *single* tree and its fruit-bearing clearly matches **"...the nations of them which are saved..."** Revelation 21:24 according to Deuteronomy 32:8 **"When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel."** See [www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/Revelation 21](http://www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/Revelation%2021) p 8 and remarks.

The statement **"...the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations"** shows that even at that time the Lord will still be needing at least for some time to apply at least in part Luke 4:18, Revelation 21:4 **"...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...And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away"** to at least some of His subjects. That could very likely be needful following the trauma of witnessing the reality of Revelation 20:15 **"And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire"** with respect to saints having been acquainted with some of the condemned.

Today's believer should always abide by Jeremiah 17:14, Hebrews 3:13 **"Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise...lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin."**

3. Revelation 22:3-4. Revelation 22:3-4 “**And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads**” will come to pass because the Lord has decisively brought to pass Zechariah 13:2 “**And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land**” and Revelation 21:3 “**...Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.**”

“**...his name shall be in their foreheads**” Revelation 22:4 because at that time for *all* saints “**...the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his...**” 2 Timothy 2:19.

The serving could well take the form even at that time in which Church Age saints would have a prominent part of having to “**...raise up the foundations of many generations...**” Isaiah 58:12 after the manner of King Jehoshaphat with his servants in 2 Chronicles 17:9, 19:5-6 “**And they taught in Judah, and had the book of the law of the LORD with them, and went about throughout all the cities of Judah, and taught the people...And he set judges in the land throughout all the fenced cities of Judah, city by city, And said to the judges, Take heed what ye do: for ye judge not for man, but for the LORD, who is with you in the judgment.**”

4. Revelation 22:5. For Revelation 22:5 “**And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever**” see www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ Revelation 5 p 6, Revelation 21 p 5 and these extracts.

Revelation 5:10. “**And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth**” is “**the heavenly vision**” Acts 26:19 of a post-Second Advent fulfilment of earthly rulership that includes today’s believer and his future testimony noting a pre-condition that “**If we suffer, we shall also reign with him...**” 2 Timothy 2:12 of 1 Peter 2:9 “**...ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light**”...

Moreover Revelation 21:9-10 reveal the *complete* fulfilment in which today’s believer can rejoice of what is depicted and typified on earth during the Lord’s thousand-year earthly reign Revelation 20:4 via Isaiah 24:23, 60:19 “**Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously...The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory**” depicting what actually happens in Revelation 21:23 “**And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof**” insofar as “**This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all**” 1 John 1:5.

5. Revelation 22:6-7. For Revelation 22:6 “**And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done. Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book**” see www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ Revelation I Part I pp 3-4, Revelation 21 p 3 and these extracts.

Revelation 1:1 [“**The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John**”]. Revelation 1:1 speaks of the revelation about the Lord Jesus Christ and what He would do in the End Times that “**God gave...unto his servant John**” for John in turn to reveal to all of God’s servants “**things which must shortly come to pass.**” Almost 2,000 years have elapsed since God gave the Book of Revelation to John but the word “**shortly**” still applies from God’s perspective as Peter explains in 2 Peter 3:8.

“But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.”

“His angel” is a reference to an appearance¹ by “*the angel of the LORD.*” Note the expression “*the angel of the LORD appeared*” or similar that appears 10 times in scripture, Exodus 3:2, Judges 6:12, 13:3, 21, Matthew 1:20, 2:13, 19, Luke 1:11, 22:43, Acts 7:30.

John describes “*the angel of the LORD*” and His appearance in Revelation 1:13-16...

Revelation 1:3 [***“Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand”***]. God bestows a blessing upon anyone that reads the Book of Revelation, hears its words and keeps that which is “*written therein.*” Revelation 1:3 therefore contrasts sharply with Revelation 22:19.

“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, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.”

Revelation 1:3, 22:19 are consistent with the Lord’s exhortation in Mark 4:24-25, by which the Christian “*shall be blessed in his deed*” James 1:25 to “*keep those things which are written therein.*”

“And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given. For he that hath, to him shall be given: and he that hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he hath.”

The expression “*the time is at hand*” rightly reinforces the urgency of the expression “*things which must shortly come to pass*” Revelation 1:1...

Revelation 21:5 ***“And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful”*** is the particular fulfilment for Church Age saints depicted and typified on earth during the Lord’s thousand-year earthly reign Revelation 20:4 by and of Isaiah 43:18-19, 21 ***“Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it?...This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.”***

Concerning the Lord’s declaration to John ***“...And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful”*** see the attached study ***“The book of the LORD”*** Isaiah 34:16.

See also www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ Revelation 19 pp 12-15 and the attached studies Purification of “*The words of the LORD*” Psalm 12:6, 7 – Summary, ***“The words of the LORD...purified seven times”*** Psalm 12:6 and Revelation 20 pp 10-12 and the attached study AV1611 Authority – Absolute.

It should always be remembered that the 1611 Holy Bible is “*the book of the LORD*” Isaiah 34:16 “*the scripture of truth*” Daniel 10:21 “*the royal law*” James 2:8 and “*All scripture*” that “*is given by inspiration of God*” 2 Timothy 3:16 in the certain belief that no other book is...

The imminence of the events of the Book of Revelation as set forth in Revelation 1:1, 3, 21:5, 22:6-7 is a reminder to today’s believer of the urgency of Paul’s statement, even more urgent today than when first penned, with its timely exhortations in Romans 13:11-14 ***“...knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.”***

6. Revelation 22:8-9. For Revelation 22:8-9 **“And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things. Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God”** see [www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ Revelation 19](http://www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/Revelation%2019) p 5 and this extract.

Revelation 19:10. See the attached study **Daniel – the Finisher** (as against **“the backslider in heart”** Proverbs 14:14) for the identity of the angel that rebukes John. That rebuke is a striking corollary of Matthew 4:10 **“Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.”**

Note that Revelation 19:10 reads **“...worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy”** but Revelation 22:9 reads simply **“...worship God.”** The reason may well be that between the events revealed in Revelation 19-22 Zechariah 13:3-4 **“And it shall come to pass, that when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his mother that begat him shall say unto him, Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD: and his father and his mother that begat him shall thrust him through when he prophesieth. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the prophets shall be ashamed every one of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they wear a rough garment to deceive”** has come to pass and as Paul states in 1 Corinthians 13:8 **“...whether there be prophecies, they shall fail...”**

Thankfully though **“...The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you”** 1 Peter 1:24-25.

7. Revelation 22:10-13, 15, 20. Revelation 22:10 **“And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand”** concerning the Book of Revelation is the unsealing of what Daniel was told to seal in Daniel 12:4 **“But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end...”**

For today’s believer devotionally, doctrinally, practically, spiritually the unsealing of **“...the sayings of the prophecy of this book...”** is in accordance with Luke 24:45 **“Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures.”**

For Revelation 22:11, 15 **“He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still...For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie”** see [www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ Revelation 21](http://www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/Revelation%2021) p 9 and this extract with particular reference to Revelation 21:27.

[Revelation 21:27 **“And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb’s book of life”** reveals] the complete fulfilment of what is depicted and typified on earth during the Lord’s thousand-year earthly reign Revelation 20:4 via...Isaiah 60:18 **“Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise.”**

Note therefore with respect to the fulfilment of Revelation 22:11, 15 it is predicated upon the prior fulfilment of Revelation 20:15 **“And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.”**

Revelation 22:11 **“...and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still”** refers to:

Church Age saints of whom Paul states **“...ye are washed...ye are sanctified...ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God”** 1 Corinthians 6:11 and as indicated:

End Times saints said to **“...keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ...that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus”** Revelation 12:17, 14:12. See also [www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/ Revelation 7](http://www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/Revelation%207) p 8 and this extract.

[Revelation 7:14] **“These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb”** did so because they did **“...hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end”** Hebrews 3:6 **until the Second Advent when “Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death”** Revelation 12:10-11.

Any and other non-Church Age saints meeting the conditions of Psalm 15:1-2 **“LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart”** and context and where for Old Testament saints or End Times saints Revelation 12:17, 14:12 would apply James 2:18 **“...I will shew thee my faith by my works”** must be followed and whose *works in continuance* passed the works-based judgement of the **“...great white throne, and him that sat on it...”** Revelation 20:11.

Revelation 22:12, 20 **“And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be...He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus”** are pre-Second Advent insertions with the same sense of urgency as Romans 13:11-14, Revelation 1:1, 3, 21:5, 22:6-7 addressed above and are a strong incentive to today’s believer since abiding must lead to faithful obedience to continue applying 1 John 2:28 **“And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.”**

Revelation 22:13 **“I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last”** first in power and authority and last in the last stage of perfection is clearly inserted to underwrite the Book of Revelation and indeed *all* of the AV1611 **“the scripture of truth”** Daniel 10:21 according to Psalm 119:89 **“For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven”** and Ecclesiastes 8:4 **“Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?”**

8. Revelation 22:14-20. For Revelation 22:14, 15, 17, 20 see remarks under:

Revelation 22:1, 14, 17

Revelation 22:10-13, 15, 20

Revelation 22:16, 21 **“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...The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen”** certify both the Sender and the intended recipients of the Book of Revelation and indeed *all* of the AV1611 **“the scripture of truth”** Daniel 10:21 according to His declarations and promises from which today’s believer should derive great encouragement of John 1:16, 14:26, 16:13, Revelation 3:7, 1 Kings 1:36 **“And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace...But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you...Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come...These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth...And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, and said, Amen: the LORD God of my lord the king say so too.”**

Revelation 22:18-19 **“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: 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, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book”** with Deuteronomy 4:2 **“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 **“Every word of**

God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar” constitute the third of the three Biblical sentinels² for the integrity of the word of God at the beginning, middle and end of the scriptures in accordance with Ecclesiastes 4:12 “...**a threefold cord is not quickly broken.**”

See the following attached studies that reveal how *Catholics* both *add to* and *subtract from* “...**the words of the prophecy of this book...And...the words of the book of this prophecy**” Revelation 22:18-19 where “...**this book...**” can be taken to refer in principle to “...**all the counsel of God**” Acts 20:27 as well as the Book of Revelation explicitly and *Christian fundamentalists* are notorious for *subtracting* from those words, *subtraction* being both *alteration i.e. adulteration* and *direct deletion*. Note that Rome via Cardinal Ximenez is responsible for today’s fundamentalist fixation with ‘the Greek.’ Those studies are listed as follows.

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It is therefore not surprising with respect to Bible-corrupting Rome from Revelation 22:18 that “**Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her**” Revelation 18:8. Concerning Bible-corrupting Christian fundamentalists with respect to Revelation 22:19 Paul decisively declares that “**Every man’s work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man’s work of what sort it is...If any man’s work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire**” 1 Corinthians 3:13, 15 insofar as John reveals specifically for “...**the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven...there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie...**” Revelation 21:2, 27.

Today’s believer should therefore abide steadfastly by 2 Corinthians 2:17, 2 Timothy 1:13 “**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...Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.**”

Conclusion



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Revelation 22 Study Questions and Sample Answers

Study Questions

1. For whom is the **“water of life”** Revelation 22:1 intended?
2. From what would the nations of Revelation 22:2 need to be healed?
3. What curse to which Revelation 22:3 refers could have been lifted?
4. What service could **“his servants”** have been performing?
5. With reference to Revelation 22:4 how could **“his name...be in their foreheads”** for today’s believer?
6. With reference to Revelation 22:5-7 how would God give you light now **“...to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done”** so that **“...blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book”**?
7. Revelation 19:10 reads **“...worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”** Why do you think that in the context of Revelation 22:8-9, Revelation 22:9 reads simply **“...worship God”**?
8. How would you summarise the declarations of Revelation 22:11 in the context of Revelation 22:11-13?
9. How should today’s believer perceive Revelation 22:14?
10. Why do you think David is mentioned in Revelation 22:16?
11. How would you apply Revelation 22:17 today for an unsaved person?
12. What should today’s believer’s attitude be to the admonitions of Revelation 22:18-19?
13. How should today’s believer respond to the promise and benediction of Revelation 22:20-21?

Sample Answers

1. It is intended for **“whosoever will”** according to Revelation 22:17 **“And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.”**
2. **“We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)”** 2 Corinthians 6:1-2.
3. John testifies that **“...the whole world lieth in wickedness”** 1 John 5:19 but the curse of wickedness has been lifted because **“The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear”** Matthew 13:41-43.
4. They could be performing service by means of delegated responsibility that began when the Lord established His worldwide reign in Isaiah 2:3 **“And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.”**
5. Paul explains **“That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise”** Ephesians 1:12-13.

6. Noting the plural ***“The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple”*** Psalm 119:130.
7. Prophecy has ceased when Revelation 22:8-9 come to pass as Paul indicates in 1 Corinthians 13:8 ***“...whether there be prophecies, they shall fail...”***
8. ***“...if the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be”*** Ecclesiastes 11:3.
9. See Question 5 and answer noting that ***“...that holy Spirit of promise...is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory”*** Ephesians 1:13-14.
10. David is mentioned because ***“JESUS...shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end”*** Luke 1:32-33.
11. Individuals may well need healing from however they were afflicted by ***“...any thing that defileth...whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie”*** Revelation 21:27.
12. ***“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”*** 2 Corinthians 2:17.
13. ***“If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be Anathema Maranatha. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen”*** 1 Corinthians 16:22-24.

The 1611 Holy Bible versus Bible Corrupter Edwin Palmer

www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/why-the-av-only-7434.php *The AV1611 Holy Bible versus Bible Corrupter Edwin Palmer* pp 1, 4-6 Extract

Introduction

The late Edwin H. Palmer 1922-1980 was the overseer for all the work on the NIV, New International Version. See:

New Age Bible Versions by Gail Riplinger Chapter 13 *Another Gospel*

www.biblica.com/uploads/pdf-files/niv_mct.pdf *The NIV: The Making of a Contemporary Translation* 1991 Preface...

B and *Aleph* are the basic manuscripts for Palmer's NIV. For an overview of these manuscripts see '*O Biblios*' – *The Book* pp 8-9 and the following extract. References have been inserted but no format changes have been made.

1.6 Codex B and Codex Aleph, the “Sin-Vat”

[*Let's Weigh the Evidence* Barry Burton, Chick Publications] pp 60-61, [*Problem Texts* Dr Peter S. Ruckman] p 408

The two most prominent Alexandrian manuscripts are Codex B Vaticanus and Codex S, Aleph, Sinaiticus. A summary of their history and contents reveals their corrupt nature.

1.6.1 Codex B Vaticanus

1. It was found in excellent condition in the Vatican library in 1481 and never influenced the Protestant Reformation.
2. It omits Genesis 1:1-46:28, parts of 1 Samuel, 1 Kings, Nehemiah, Psalm 105:26-137:6, Matthew 16:2, 3, John 7:53-8:11, the Pauline Pastoral Epistles, Hebrews 9:14-13:25, Revelation.
3. It leaves blank columns for Mark 16:9-20, [*Counterfeit or Genuine? Mark 16? John 8? 2nd Edition* David Otis Fuller, D.D.] p 67, thus providing additional testimony for the existence of this passage.
4. It includes the Apocrypha as part of Old Testament Text. Protestant Bibles do NOT [standardbearers.net/uploads/The_King_James_Version_Defended_Dr_Edward_F_Hills.pdf *The King James Version Defended* 3rd Edition Edward F. Hills Th.D.] Chapter 4, p 98.

1.6.2 Codex S, Aleph, Sinaiticus

1. It was found in a trash pile in St. Catherine's Monastery near Mt. Sinai in 1844 by Count Tischendorf, who finally obtained the entire manuscript in 1859.
2. It omits Genesis 23:19-24:46, Numbers 5:27-7:20, 1 Chronicles 9:27-19:17, Exodus, Joshua, 1 and 2 Samuel, 1 and 2 Kings, Judges, Hosea, Amos, Micah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Mark 16:9-20, John 7:53-8:11.
3. It adds *Shepherd of Hermes* and *Epistle of Barnabas* to the New Testament Text.

Codices Aleph and B disagree with each other over 3,000 times in the Gospels alone [*Let's Weigh the Evidence*] p 60. Nevertheless, they have been designated as “*The most reliable early manuscripts*” and “*The earliest and most reliable manuscripts*” by the NIV New Testament, pp 70, 127*²⁰¹². Note Burgon's verdict.

*²⁰¹²1978 Edition. The 1984 Edition reads “*The earliest manuscripts and some other ancient witness*” and “*The earliest manuscripts and some other ancient witness.*” The milder tone of the updated annotations very likely reflects the influence of King James Bible believers on the NIV editors during the intervening decade.

“The impurity of the Texts exhibited by Codices B and Aleph is not a matter of opinion but a matter of fact. These are two of the least trustworthy documents in existence. So far from allowing Dr Hort’s position that ‘A Text formed by taking Codex B as the sole authority would be incomparably nearer the truth than a Text similarly taken from any other Greek or single document’ we venture to assert that it would be on the contrary, by far the foulest Text that had ever seen the light: worse, that is to say, even than the Text of Drs Westcott and Hort. And that is saying a great deal.” Dean Burgon [www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/36722?msg=welcome_stranger#toc9, *The Revision Revised* Dean John William Burgon,] pp 315-316.

See further for most incisive analyses of Palmer’s favoured manuscripts Aleph and B:

New Age Bible Versions by Gail Riplinger, Chapter 39, *The 1% Manuscripts*

Our Authorized Bible Vindicated by Benjamin Wilkinson:

kjb.benabraham.com/html/chapter-1.html *Fundamentally, Only Two Different Bibles*

kjb.benabraham.com/html/chapter-2.html *The Bible Adopted by Constantine and the Pure Bible of the Waldenses*

Wilkinson’s Chapter 2 contains an excellent diagrammatic overview of the Traditional Text sources of the 1611 Holy Bible versus the corrupt sources for Rome’s counterfeit versions, later including Palmer’s NIV.

NOTE: The two great families of Greek Bibles are well illustrated in the work of that outstanding scholar, Erasmus. Before he gave to the Reformation the New Testament in Greek, he divided all Greek MSS into two classes: those which agreed with the Received Text and those which agreed with the Vaticanus MS....

The Two Parallel Streams of Bibles

Apostles (Original)	Apostates (Corrupt Originals)
Received Text (Greek)	Sinaiticus and Vaticanus Bible (Greek)
Waldensian Bible (Italic)	Vulgate (Latin) Church of Rome's Bible
Erasmus (Received Text Restored)	Vaticanus (Greek)
Luther's Bible, Dutch, French, Italian, etc., (Received Text)	French, Spanish, Italian, etc., (from Vulgate)
Tyndale (English) 1535 (from Received Text)	Rheims (English) from Vulgate (Jesuit Bible of 1582)
King James, 1611	Oxford Movement
	Wetscott and Hort (B and Aleph), English Revised 1881
	Dr. Philip Schaff (B and Aleph), American Revised 1901

The King James from the Received Text has been the Bible of the English speaking world for 300 years. This has given the Received Text, and the Bibles translated from it into other tongues, standing and authority. At the same time, it neutralized the dangers of the Catholic manuscripts and the Bibles in other tongues translated from them [including Edwin Palmer's NIV].

Note Palmer's dogma that few clear and decisive texts...declare that Jesus is God. Gail Riplinger has shown that Palmer lied particularly in that respect, her emphases.

See www.avpublications.com/avnew/content/Critiqued/james1.html.

Palmer, for example, communicated his belief that he thinks the Bible has "FEW CLEAR AND DECISIVE TEXTS that declare that Jesus is God." He said this amidst this discussion [see extract above] of John 1:18, citing it as one of them. A Bible translator that only can find a few such texts strikes me as "chilling," to say the least. *New Age Bible Versions* followed Palmer's quote (p. 305) listing hundreds of places (pp. 302-383) which document that his NIV does have few compared to the many in the KJV.

Note further that Palmer's own NIV is a moveable feast "*Lest thou shouldst ponder the path of life, her ways are moveable, that thou canst not know them*" Proverbs 5:6 on John 1:18. Moreover, a reading that entirely dispenses with the word "*begotten*" in John 1:18 is not modern and elegant but ancient and heretical. Sister Riplinger explains Palmer's heresy. See below. Additional answers to Palmer's above disinformation are as follows. No format changes have been made. See www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/ 'O Biblios' – The Book pp 52, 239-240, 260-261.

The Greek versus the Scripture

Extract from *In Awe of Thy Word* by Gail Riplinger pp 30-31 and Evaluation

Professor Kermode of Cambridge University agrees, noting that words in, “works transmitted inside a canon are understood differently from those without” (*Literary Guide To The Bible*, p. 609). Wycliffe too recommends “putting aside foreign ...grammars, submitting instead to the grammar and logic of scripture” (Levy, p. 15). Greek text editors such as “Erasmus, Theodore Beza, and Estienne (Stephanus) drew attention to the difference between biblical and classical Greek [used by lexicons], a primary issue still” (*Cambridge History of the Bible*, vol.3, p. 522). Erasmus warned of the font from which lexicons are taken and their “danger of taking words in a sense they may well have in classical Greek, but which is not the sense in which they are used in the New Testament.” Sometimes, “The new words implied a new theology.” This was the thesis of *New Age Bible Versions* (*Cambridge History of the Bible*, vol. 2, p. 366 et al.). Erasmus recommends only the Bible’s built-in dictionary, where one can “compare texts fruitfully one with another” (*Cambridge History of the Bible*, vol. 2, p. 504).

Erasmus stands in sharp contrast to his contemporary Greek text editors who promote the *false* notion that “Scripture remains full of meanings “which are not able to be understood in any way other than from the very fount of the original languages” [*quae nequeant aliunde quam ex ipso archetypae linguae fonte cognosci*]. This quote is taken from the preface of the Catholic *Complutensian Polyglot* produced by Cardinal Ximenez in 1517; this Catholic ‘father’ spawned “the first” Greek New Testament lexicon, which bred today’s mongrels (*Pelikan*, p. 110; *The Cambridge History of the Bible*, vol 3, p. 525).

Our generation has worn out so many eyes spying what man says about the scriptures, that we are blind to how popish we have become. The homage which was once lavished on Catholic ‘saints’ has in our generation been redirected to the ancients and others whose quotes become the revered relics of our religion. According to St. Strong, ‘the Bible is wrong’; according to St. Vine, ‘correct that line.’ What happened to “...according to thy word”? (Psa. 119:41)

SECTION 2

Q. What methods and resources were used by the King James Bible translators?

PREVIEW CHAPTER 15

KING JAMES BIBLE TRANSLATORS'
HIDDEN NOTES & PUBLIC VIEWS

A. For hundreds of years, the methods and thoughts of the KJV translators remained lost, until our generation, when every attack possible has buffeted the KJV. “But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound” (Rom. 5:20). The revealing translation notes of the King James Bible committee have been found. These include three documents: Manuscript 98, the Annotated Bishops’ Bible, and the handwritten notes from the decisive and final translation committee meeting. This author’s word-for-word collation of these documents demonstrates that the KJV translators considered and *rejected* words used in today’s new versions. These documents also reveal the translators’ use of a treasure trove of ancient Greek codices and vernacular translations that may not be available to today’s translators. The KJV translators’ method of translation is shown, which includes the use of the Bible’s built-in dictionary, looking for a word’s “brother” or “neighbor.” The translators believed men could “hear **Christ speaking** unto them in **their mother tongue**...by the written word translated.” The scriptures foretold that with—

“**other tongues** and other lips will **I speak**...” (1Cor. 14:21).

God said, “I have not spoken in secret,” in lexicons hidden on scholars’ bookshelves, but “in the volume of the book” in “other tongues,” such as English (Isa. 45:19, Heb. 10:7). The phrase, “in the Greek” and “in the Hebrew” is too often immediately followed by echoes from the “bottomless pit,” warns Rev. 9:11. Unlike today’s editors, the KJV translators’ final authorities were Bibles, not lexicons. They saw the KJV as the final “perfected” and “finished” English Bible. “Satan,” they warned, benefited from “various editions.”

Rome's Strategy via "in the Greek" versus the Scripture

The extract from *In Awe of Thy Word* shows that Rome via Cardinal Ximenes was first to propagate the supposed supremacy of the Greek over the authority of faithful vernacular Bibles such as the pre-Reformation Tepl Bible³ from the Waldensian Text that were encouraging a widespread break with Rome. The extract shows that Rome's strategy of "in the Greek" was from "the bottomless pit" Revelation 9:11 and a direct assault on the priesthood of all believers, 1 Peter 2:5, 9 by a Renaissance counterpart of "Mattan the priest of Baal" 2 Kings 11:18, 2 Chronicles 23:17, who encouragingly came to a bad end.

Ximenes' Greek New Testament was no doubt part of Rome's Greek-supreme strategy against vernacular Bibles and Rome's intention would probably have been to conform Ximenes' text to Jerome's Latin Vulgate once the Greek-supreme strategy had triumphed over vernacular versions.

That strategy was forestalled by God's providential provision of an abundance of Greek New Testament manuscripts in Western Europe in the 16th century that served as valuable witnesses to the Traditional Text and enabled Erasmus and other editors to publish Greek Received Text New Testaments independently of Rome. Rome's Greek-supreme strategy leading to Jerome's Vulgate overall supremacy was delayed three hundred years until the Oxford Movement and the Westcott-Hort minority Catholic text that brought to evil fruition the Catholic texts of Griesbach, Lachmann, Tischendorf, Tregelles, Alford, Wordsworth and spawned today's Vatican versions.

See Bro. Kinney's articles brandplucked.webs.com/kjbarticles.htm *Undeniable Proof the ESV, NIV, NASB are the new "Vatican Versions" Parts 1, 2.*

Cardinal Manning summed up Vatican thinking about Britain in 1859⁴ p 26: "If ever there was a land in which work is to be done, and perhaps much to suffer, it is here...We have to SUBJUGATE and SUBDUE, to CONQUER and RULE, an imperial race. We have to do with a will which reigns throughout the world, as the will of old Rome reigned once. We have to BEND or BREAK that will which nations and kingdoms have found invincible and inflexible. Were heresy conquered in England, it would be conquered throughout the world. All its lines meet here, and therefore in England the Church of God must be gathered in its strength."

That *invincible will* came from a belief in an *invincible Book*. The Roman Catholic F. W. Faber, 1814-1863⁵ p vii, wrote this: "Who will not say that the uncommon beauty and marvellous English of the Protestant Bible is not one of the great strongholds of heresy in this country? It lives on the ear like music that can never be forgotten, like the sound of church bells. Its felicities often seem to be things rather than words. It is part of the national mind, and the anchor of national seriousness."

The English Protestant Bible thus became the focal point of Rome's assault on England.

Jesuit Infiltration Strategy

Rome's essential strategy of supplanting the scripture with the Greek that brought forth the Westcott-Hort text was a wholly academic thrust achieved by means of Jesuit infiltration of the higher centres of learning as Benjamin Wilkinson⁶ shows, author's emphases.

Ignatius Loyola came forward and must have said in substance to the Pope: Let the Augustinians continue to provide monasteries of retreat for contemplative minds; let the Benedictines give themselves up to the field of literary endeavor; let the Dominicans retain their responsibility for maintaining the Inquisition; but *we, the Jesuits, will capture the colleges and the universities. We will gain control of instruction in law, medicine, science, education, and so weed out from all books of instruction, anything injurious to Roman Catholicism. We will mould the thoughts and ideas of the youth. We will enroll ourselves as Protestant preachers and college professors in the different Protestant faiths. Sooner or later, we will undermine the authority of the Greek New Testament of Erasmus, and also of those Old Testament productions which have dared to raise their heads against the Old Testament of the Vulgate and against tradition. And thus will we undermine the Protestant Reformation.*

Jesuit Infiltration Infestation

As evidence of Jesuit academic infiltration, note that the society⁷ with its Greek-based title **The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi** (or simply **Phi Kappa Phi** or **ΦΚΦ**) has *world domination* for its insignia, Baton Rouge, Louisiana for its headquarters and for its motto **Φιλοσοφία Κρατεῖτω Φωτῶν** (*Philosophía Krateítō Phōtôn*) i.e. “*Let the love of learning rule humanity.*” That is *against* both the priesthood of all believers, 1 Peter 2:5, 9 and the words of the Lord. **“In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight”** Luke 10:21.



Jesuit Infiltration Tactics

Benjamin Wilkinson describes Jesuit tactics that accompanied their infiltration strategy. As the proliferation of Westcott-Hort departures from the AV1611 and especially that of the Westcott-Hort mentality have shown, both strategy and tactics have worked well.

Dr. Wylie indicates that these great changes were effected, not by a stirring message from God, but by indirection, little by little, as the Jesuits operate:

*“Tract 90, where the doctrine of reserves is broached, bears strong marks of a Jesuit origin. Could we know all the secret instructions given to the leaders in the Puseyite movement, — the mental reservations prescribed to them, — we might well be astonished. ‘Go gently,’ we think we hear the great Roothan say to them. ‘Remember the motto of our dear son, the cidevant Bishop of Autun, — “surtout, pas trop de zele,” (above all, not too much zeal). Bring into view, little by little, the authority of the church. If you can succeed in rendering it equal to that of the Bible, you have done much...”’... “...one sinner destroyeth much good” Ecclesiastes 9:18 yet the Jesuits collectively could say **“My name is Legion: for we are many”** Mark 5:9.*

“The root of the matter” Job 19:28

P.D. Stuart⁸ has written a detailed study of the Jesuit Order entitled *Codeword Barbêlôn*. His evaluation says it all about Rome and her centuries-long war against the scriptures via **“in the Greek”** from **“the bottomless pit”** Revelation 9:11. *“When one thinks of the endless Jesuit-staged conspiracies, one is reminded of what Leonardo Donato, [Chief Magistrate] of Venice, 1606-1612, told the Pope’s Nuncio after having imprisoned certain seditious priests in his city. “Go back to Rome and tell your Master [Pope Paul V] that there is never a deed of shame done in any part of the Republic but some worthless priest is at the bottom of it.””*

Bible Believers’ Threefold PR Counter Strategy

“Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men” Romans 12:17.

“Prove all things; hold fast that which is good” 1 Thessalonians 5:21.

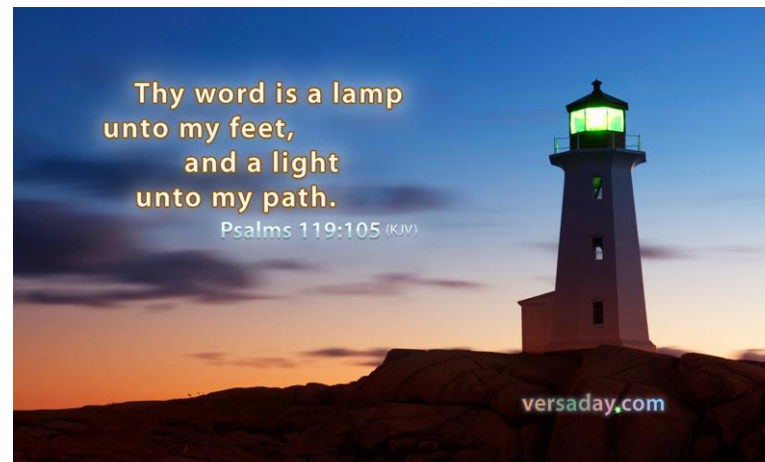
“Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you” 2 Thessalonians 3:1.

Table The 1611 Holy Bible versus Vatican Versions, Disputed New Testament Verses
 1984, 2011 NIVs, 1977, 1995 NASVs, NLT New Living Translation,
 1984, 2013 NWTs, JB, NJB Jerusalem, New Jerusalem Bibles

Verse	AV1611	NIVs	NASVs	Ne	NLT	NWTs	JB, NJB
Rom. 16:24	The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.	OMIT	OMIT	OMIT	OMIT	OMIT	OMIT
1 John 5:7	For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.	OMIT	OMIT	OMIT	OMIT	OMIT	OMIT

Notes

1. The AV1611 has been compared with **6** generic modern versions for the **17** whole New Testament verses that critics of the AV1611 dispute.
2. **102** AV1611-modern version comparisons have therefore been tabulated. The modern versions show **100** of **102** possible departures from the AV1611. The JB, NJB include Mark 7:16, John 5:4 but wrongly read "*angel of the Lord*" in John 5:4. The NASVs brace [] words for omission.
3. Evangelicals, fundamentalists, the most prominent Greek editors, charismatics, cultists, papists are **98% against** the AV1611.
4. **8** of the **17** verses that critics dispute or almost half are direct statements *by the Lord Jesus Christ*; Matthew 17:21, 18:11, 23:14, Mark 7:16, 9:44, 46, 11:26, Luke 17:36.
5. These **8** verses address fasting in prayer, the purpose of the 1st Advent, "*greater damnation*" of posturing, plundering, bullying religious 'godfathers,' the importance of being "*swift to hear, slow to speak*" James 1:19, eternal torment in hell, the importance of forgiveness, the suddenness of the 2nd Advent *and the shape of planet earth by means of Luke 17:34-36*.
6. The other **9** verses address fulfilment of Biblical prophecy, *satanic* healing, "*confession...made unto salvation*" Romans 10:10, pastoral care, "*false witnesses*" Matthew 26:60, Acts 6:13, "*blindness in part...to Israel*" Romans 11:25, assurance of the Lord's grace and the Godhead.
7. *Birds of a feather* Matthew 13:32, Revelation 18:2, evangelicals, fundamentalists, Greek editors, charismatics, cultists, papists *cut those verses out*.
8. *Only* the AV1611 is "*light in the darkness*" Psalm 112:4 to fulfil Psalm 119:105 "*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.*"



Correcting the Greek with the King James English

Introduction

The issue of ‘the Greek’ so-called versus the English i.e. the AV1611 may be resolved simply. The 16th century Protestant Reformation saw the publication of editions of the Received Greek New Testament Text or Textus Receptus. One editor was Robert Stephanus, whom God also used to devise the verse divisions of the New Testament. See www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/ ‘O Biblios’ – *The Book* pp 12-13. This work uses Stephanus’ 1550 Received Text Edition.

These editions drew from the majority of extant Greek New Testament manuscripts and bore witness to the true text of scripture of vernacular Bibles that reached back to apostolic times. They stood against Catholic bibles drawn from the corrupt Alexandrian manuscripts. These are few in number but they influenced Constantine, effectively the first pope, to found the Catholic Church **“O full of all subtilty and all mischief, thou child of the devil, thou enemy of all righteousness”** Acts 13:10.

See *The Bible Adopted by Constantine and the Pure Bible of the Waldenses* by Benjamin Wilkinson kjb.benabraham.com/html/our_authorized_bible_vindicated.html.

The 1611 Holy Bible is based upon the Received Text but *principally* upon the faithful pre-1611 English and vernacular foreign Bibles according to the AV1611 Title Page *being with the former translations diligently compared and revised by His Majesty’s special command*. **“Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?”** Ecclesiastes 8:4.

Rome attacked the AV1611 for 300 years and in the 19th century her destructive critics brought forth a series of Greek editions derived from Rome’s mutilated Alexandrian manuscripts.

See kjb.benabraham.com/html/our_authorized_bible_vindicated.html *Three hundred year attack on the King James Bible* and www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/ ‘O Biblios’ – *The Book* pp 116-118 on Rome’s destructive critics and their texts. **Table 1** shows that the AV1611 English in agreement with Stephanus’ Receptus corrects these corrupt Greek texts of which Nestle’s is the best known.

Table 1 is based on *The Christian’s Handbook of Manuscript Evidence* by Dr Peter S. Ruckman Chapter 8 *Correcting the Greek with the English* and www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/ ‘O Biblios’ – *The Book* pp 202-203 on the DR vs. the AV1611. **Red-shaded** verses are from Chapter 8.

Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W are Nestle (21st Edition), Griesbach, Lachmann, Tischendorf, Tregelles, Alford, Wordsworth respectively, Rome’s 19th century destructive critics. Brackets mean that the editor doubts a reading. No brackets mean that he cut it out of the New Testament.

DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT are the 1749-1752 Douay-Rheims version, 1881 Westcott-Hort Revised Version, 1984, 2011 New International Versions, New King James Version footnotes, Jerusalem, New Jerusalem Bibles, 1984, 2013 New World Translations respectively. DR, RV, NIV etc. means that the DR, RV, 1984, 2011 NIV etc. cut out, dispute or alter the AV1611 reading listed.

Notes on Table 1

- Table 1** lists **71** verses of scripture. The AV1611 and Stephanus’ Receptus agree in all **71** verses *against* what are rightly called *today’s Vatican versions* both Greek and English.
- Table 1** then shows that the non-AV1611 sources *as a group* depart from the AV1611 but the pre-Nestle Greek sources do not agree in total. Moreover, Nestle’s text that underlies the JB, NJB, NIVs, NWTs is not fixed. Gail Riplinger reports in *New Age Bible Versions* pp 494, 497 *Changes in...the Nestle’s text...have been made over the years...In the recent Nestle’s twenty-sixth edition (1979) the chameleon becomes a cobra with a whopping 712 changes in the Greek text...nearly 500 of these changes were ‘white flags’, retreating back to the pre-Westcott and Hort Textus Receptus readings...Much like Nestle’s dramatic turn around, the UBS third edition was forced to make 500 changes from its second edition...The New International Version (NIV) followed the UBS first edition (1966), thereby missing hundreds of updates...*
- Stephanus’ Receptus is not over the AV1611. See www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/ *Seven purifications of the Textus Receptus*. The Textus Receptus *now* is AV1611 English *not* Greek.

Table 1 Correcting the Greek with the AV1611 English

Verse	Words Cut, Changed from the 1611, 2011+ AV1611s	Against the 1611, 2011+ AV1611s
Matt. 5:22	without a cause	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, (Tr, A)
Matt. 6:13	For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Matt. 6:33	of God changed to: his or the	RV, NIV, JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, (A)
Matt. 9:13	to repentance	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Matt. 16:3	O ye hypocrites	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Matt. 20:22	and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A
Matt. 20:23	and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A
Matt. 23:8	even Christ	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Matt. 25:13	wherein the Son of man cometh	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A
Matt. 26:60	yet found they none	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, (L), T, Tr, A
Mark 1:2	the prophets changed to: Isaiah the prophet	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Mark 2:17	to repentance	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Mark 6:11	Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gormorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, (L), T, Tr, A
Mark 9:44	Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched	RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, T, (Tr)
Mark 9:46	Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched	RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, T, (Tr)
Mark 10:21	take up the cross	DR, RV, NIV, JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, (L), T, Tr
Mark 11:10	in the name of the Lord	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Mark 13:14	spoken of by Daniel the prophet	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, (L), T, Tr, A
Luke 2:14	on earth peace, good will toward(s) men is changed to: on earth peace to men on whom his favour rests or towards men of good will	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Luke 2:33	Joseph changed to: his father	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, T, Tr, A

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Verse	Words Cut, Changed from the 1611, 2011+ AV1611s	Against the 1611, 2011+ AV1611s
Luke 2:43	Joseph and his mother changed to: his parents	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Luke 4:8	Get thee behind me, Satan	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, (L), T, Tr, A
Luke 11:2, 4	Our, which art in heaven, Thy will be done, as in heaven so in earth, but deliver us from evil	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, T, Tr, A. L regards the fourth phrase as “doubtful.”
John 5:3, 4	waiting for the moving of the water. 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	RV, NIV, NKJV fn., NWT, Ne, (G), T, Tr, A
John 7:39	Holy	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, (Tr, A).
John 17:12	in the world	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Acts 2:30	according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A
Acts 4:25	Added: by the Holy Spirit and our father, or similar	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Acts 7:30	of the Lord	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Acts 15:24	saying, Ye must be circumcised and keep the l(L)aw	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Acts 16:7	Added: of Jesus	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A
Acts 16:31	Christ	DR, RV, NIV, JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Acts 17:26	blood	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, (A).
Acts 23:9	Let us not fight against God	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A,
Rom. 1:16	of Christ	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Rom. 8:1	but after the spirit	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Rom. 11:6	But if it be of works, then is it no longer grace: otherwise work is no more work	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, (A).
Rom. 13:9	thou shalt not bear false witness	RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Rom. 14:6	and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard it	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, (A).
1 Cor. 2:13	Holy	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
1 Cor. 6:20	and in your spirit, which are God’s	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
1 Cor. 10:28	for the earth is the Lord’s and the fulness thereof	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
1 Cor. 15:47	the Lord	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A

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Verse	Words Cut, Changed from the 1611, 2011+ AV1611s	Against the 1611, 2011+ AV1611s
2 Cor. 4:10	the Lord	DR, RV, NIV, JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Gal. 3:17	in Christ	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Eph. 3:9	by Jesus Christ	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
1 Thess. 1:1	from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, (L), T, Tr, A
1 Tim. 3:16	God changed to: which, who, He, or He who	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
1 Tim. 6:5	from such withdraw thyself	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A, W
Heb. 1:3	by himself	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
Heb. 7:21	after the order of Melchisedec	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, T, Tr, A
Heb. 10:30	saith the Lord	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, T, Tr
Heb. 10:34	in heaven	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A, W
Heb. 11:11	was delivered of a child	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A
James 5:16	faults changed to sins	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr
1 Pet. 1:22	through the Spirit, pure	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A, W
1 Pet. 3:15	the Lord God changed to: Christ as Lord, or the Lord Christ	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A, W
1 Pet. 4:14	on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
2 Pet. 2:17	for ever	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
1 John 3:1	Added: and we are, or similar	DR (has “and should be”), RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
1 John 4:3	Christ is come in the flesh	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A
1 John 5:7, 8	in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth...in one	RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Rev. 1:11	I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Rev. 12:12	the inhabitants of	DR, RV, NIV, JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Rev. 16:17	of heaven	DR, RV, NIV, JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A, W
Rev. 20:12	God changed to: the throne, or his throne	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Rev. 21:24	of them which are saved	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn, JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, G, L, T, Tr, A, W
Rev. 22:14	do his commandments changed to: wash their robes	DR, RV, NIV, NKJV fn., JB, NJB, NWT, Ne, L, T, Tr, A

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