

THE PERFECT BIBLE

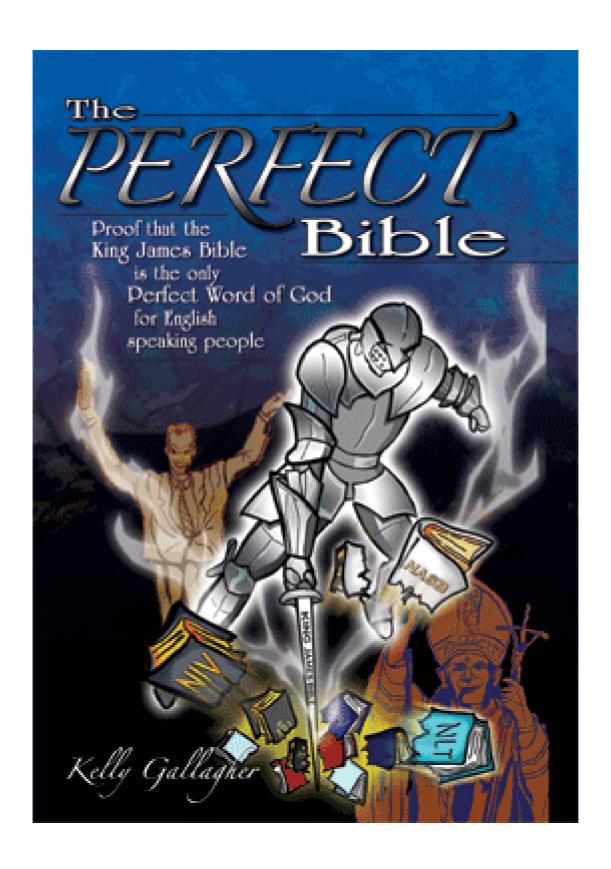
PROOF THAT THE

KING JAMES BIBLE

IS THE ONLY PERFECT WORD OF GOD

FOR ENGLISH SPEAKING PEOPLE

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FOREWARD

There is only one perfect Word of the living God in English.

This statement is so foreign to the lips and ears of English speaking people and contrary to the conventional church wisdom in the twenty first century, that it actually sounds like blasphemy to the average modern Christian of this generation.

With the exception of a few great seminary trained men of the past 150 years, almost all theologically trained persons would vehemently disagree with the idea that one version alone for English speaking people can be trusted to be the perfect Word of God for our generation.

The vast majority of highly educated men and women of our day would consider the King James Bible to be, at best, a fairly good, but archaic translation of the original autographs of Greek, Hebrew and Aramaic originals which make up the Old and New Testaments accepted by "Protestant" Christians today.

How is it possible that the above statement is true? How can it be proven beyond a shadow of a doubt (not just a reasonable doubt) that the King James Bible is, and ever will be, the complete, perfect and preserved Word of God for English speaking people?

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Saint Paul has been the example for doing this and John the Baptist the main inspiration for this ministry. Paul worked "day and night" to both provide for his own needs and to work hard for the Kingdom of God. David the King is also a main inspiration for this writer, as he loved the Word of God so much that he spent many a sleepless night in pursue of God through meditation of God's word.

Whatever the motives of those who have toiled honestly to obtain degrees in Theological schools, the truth is that most who come out of Seminaries today, and for some time now, are hardened to the truth of God, and cannot hear His voice. Jesus promised that his true sheep would hear His voice; yet if the premise of this book is correct, few actually can discern that the King James Bible is the perfect Word of God.

This writer does not wish to attempt to "reinvent the wheel". Others, such as D.A. Waite, Dr. Sightler, and Gail Riplinger, have written masterful works on this very

subject which are highly recommended. In fact, there are hundreds of worthy books on this very subject. This book is the authors' attempt to synthesize, and distill 30 years of study so that others may benefit from his labor and have in one small book a complete and thorough proof that the King James Bible is the very Word of God for this generation. There will be no other even close to it until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Satan, the enemy of the word of God, is like Goliath compared to little David. Yet David, a man taught by God and filled with God's Holy Spirit, defeated him. In like manner, this writer is trusting God to guide him in a similar attempt to defeat the armies of the uncircumcised in heart, and ear, who have devoted their lives to corrupt, mutilate, water down, replace, and merchandise the only offensive weapon a true Christian has, the Word of God.

It is this writer's prayer that the truth in this book will penetrate the shields of those who are influenced by the spirit of Leviathan (Job 41) and that "air", i.e. the Holy Spirit can once again touch their hearts and minds through the truth and make them free.

In the wilderness,

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CHAPTER ONE: WHERE DO WE BEGIN...THE HISTORY OF CORRUPTION

In the Garden of Eden, the enemy, Satan, began to corrupt the Word of God. This is not something new. Adam and Eve heard the very spoken words of God in the garden. These were perfect human beings, not born with a corrupt sin nature, yet they were deceived by the arch-deceiver in to accepting a corrupt corpus of the Word of God, which led to banishment and the fall of the entire human race.

What a cost to pay for allowing the enemy to change, dilute or corrupt the Word of God. In fact, it was just one sentence that the enemy corrupted, even a few words that cause man to sin, and rebel against God. Today, the vast majority of those who consider themselves born again Christians have again bought the ancient lie, "Did God say?" and have fallen for a corrupt, distorted Word of God, and are paying the consequences in similar apostasy.

Here is the first command of God to our progenitors:

(Gen 2:16) And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

(Gen 2:17) 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.

We see that the enemy wishes to corrupt, distort, and mutilate, the Word of God for the purpose of disobedience. We show our love for God by obeying His commandments. Satan hates God, who banished him forever from His presence. Therefore, Satan tries to take as many people (made in the image of God) out of God's presence through disobedience, as he can. One way is to incite man to sin, the other is to corrupt the commandments of God so that man does not know what is sin, and therefore sins by default, and ignorance.

Eve and Adam heard these words of God. The Bible tells us that only Eve was deceived. Adam obeyed Eve rather than God because of an idolatrous love for his wife rather than true love for God, which must supersede all human love, or love for anything in this world. This same pattern shows itself throughout the Bible with weak men, and strong, Jezebellic women.

Hear what Satan, the serpent, says to Eve, and how craftily, and subtly he twists the word of God. It is fitting that Satan himself is changed into a "crooked serpent," whose nature is to twist the Word of God, and the paths of men.

Job 26:13) By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.

Satan speaks the Word of God. Do not marvel that Satan and his servants are preaching, and teaching the word of God today. A true Christian should have the discernment to tell the difference, but few have this discernment, because this discernment comes from the Word of God (Hebrews 5:13,14), and most Christians today do not read or know the true Word of God, but are being corrupted by new versions.

- (Gen 3:1) Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?
- (Gen 3:2) And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:
- (Gen 3:3) But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.
 - (Gen 3:4) And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:
- (Gen 3:5) For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.
- (Gen 3:6) And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.
- (Gen 3:7) And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.
- (Gen 3:8) And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

Here is a definition of the word subtil:

Subtil

SUB'TIL, a. [L. subtilis. This word is often written subtle, but less properly.]

- 4. Sly; artful; cunning; crafty; insinuating; as a subtil person; a subtil adversary.
- 5. Planned by art; deceitful; as a subtil scheme.
- 6. Deceitful; treacherous.
- 7. Refined; fine; acute; as a subtil argument.

This same word, subtil, is used to describe two persons in the Bible. One is Jonadab (2 Sam. 13:3), whose evil counsel led to the rape of David's daughter Tamar, and the murder of Amnon, his son. The other is the woman in Proverbs 7:10, who, dressed as an harlot, seduces the gullible into sexual sin and destruction.

Satan said to Eve, "Did God say?" In other words, he gets her to QUESTION THE AUTHORITY OF THE WORD OF GOD. Today, subtil Bible "scholars" in seminaries around the world have deceitfully, and treacherously (and successfully) twisted the scriptures, schemed to corrupt the scriptures, and convinced a vast majority of Christians that there is no Bible in the English language that they can hold in their hands that is the perfect Word of God.

Specifically, Satan asks, "Did God say that you should not eat of every tree of the garden?" He twists the Word of God by implying that God is trying to deprive them of something. In fact, God said, "You may eat of any tree of the garden...but the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat." God is freely giving Adam and Eve full access to the many wonderful varieties of fruits to eat, but one. With his question, Satan is implying that God is telling them not to eat ANYTHING.

Eve answers the serpent. She should not have been talking to the serpent. She should have let the man teach her the Word of God and be her protector. If Eve had simply run to her husband, and told him what the serpent said, there may not have been a fall. She is out of God's order. THE SAME MISTAKE IS MADE TODAY by men, and women who are not called of God, and not born again of the Spirit of God arrogating to themselves the holy task of handling. and translating. and teaching the word of God, out of God's ordained order. By a careful study of the holy lives of the 47 translators, and those holy men who translated the scriptures into English before the King James translators did their work, we see that God's

order was followed. Pre-King James translators such as Wycliffe, Tyndale, Coverdale, Rogers, and others, taught that they were led by God's Holy Spirit to do their work, and that they were unequal to the task in their natural talents. God always uses the foolish things of this world to confound the wise.

(Gen 3:2) And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

(Gen 3:3) But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

Eve has committed two sins here. One, disobeying the order of God by not submitting to her husband, and two, ADDING TO THE WORD OF GOD. God did not say, "Neither shall you touch it, lest ye die." She misunderstood the Word of God. It was only by EATING the forbidden fruit that there was sin. Likewise, today, many paint a FALSE PICTURE OF GOD as a hard taskmaster who denies pleasure, and delights in the poverty, and failure of His children. That He is a strict task-master with a lot of dos and don'ts, and rules, and regulations. This is far from the truth. God wants us to have the best, and desires that we abstain from things that destroy us. Many churches have added to the word of God regulations about clothing, hair, amusements like movies, and playing cards, drinking alcohol, and others that make religion seem dull. and monotonous, and bring us back under a new law of bondage.

Eve is saying to the serpent, "we can't even touch this fruit! God must not like us very much." But God did not say this! Satan and his human servants today have added to the word of God through a process called dynamic equivalence, words that unsaved men and women believe God is saying, but are not in the Greek or Hebrew words that God breathed out for our salvation. This is a damnable sin, and leads to damnation for all who commit this act.

(Rev 22:18) 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:

(Rev 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.

Is there no fear of God anymore? Who would dare to add to the Word of God knowing that plagues and damnation await all those who do such things? Yet, many translations, and paraphrases of the Bible today have done just this with impunity, and the authors of such have reaped plagues, early death, and damnation. Can we hear the cries from hell of those learned men, and women, who have tinkered with the holy words of God and have reaped eternal fire for it? Do we not partake of the same spirit of iniquity when we assent to, read, and teach such corruptions?

This writer would be afraid to attempt to re-translate the Greek and Hebrew scriptures even if he were to study these languages his entire life. Thankfully, the task has been done for English speaking people once for all time in the Authorized King James Version. Before you scoff at this like the rant of some backwoods, ignorant fool, take heed that you are not consumed by the fire that consumed, and will consume, all who tamper with the holy words of God. Two men simply touched the Ark of the Covenant in an attempt to keep it from falling to the ground, but their good intentions caused their instant death because they dared touch the holy things of God, without permission. No man, or woman, is given permission to do such today. No further attempt to re-translate the scriptures into English should be attempted, for God has done this once, and He has done it perfectly.

(Gen 3:4) And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

(Gen 3:5) For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

(Gen 3:6) And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

The serpent said that Eve would not die, and he is whispering the same lie in the ears of those who, often with right intentions, are attempting to translate, or paraphrase, the Word of God that they will not be damned for doing so.

The serpent had NO AUTHORITY TO SAY THIS, and to this day women are forbidden to USURP AUTHORITY OVER MEN. Why? Because Eve allowed Satan to usurp the authority of God in the area of contradicting the very words of God. Much destruction has come to the church because of weak, effeminate men, allowing women to usurp authority and teach scripture, and to corrupt the scriptures themselves. Yet

the men of the King James translation were masculine, powerful, REAL men; evidenced by their holy lives, manly, and often painful labors in the Word of God, and the masculine character and style of the Authorized Version

The three fold love of the world in 1 John 2:15,16 is evidenced in the heart of Eve. The lust of the eyes – she SAW that the tree was good, pleasant to the eyes. The lust of the flesh – it was good for food. The pride of life – it could make her wise. These lusts prove that the love of the Father was not in her, but rather love of self. Love of self is endemic to human nature, and can only be overcome by the cross of Christ, and the Word of God, which divides soul and spirit (Hebrews 4:12).

Adam and Eve were forcibly thrust out of the Garden of Eden because of one sin of tampering with, and thereby disobeying, the Word of God. Since then, man's disobedience to, and corruption of, the Word of God, has increased; as the amount of God's Word has increased, until the canon of scripture was completed in AD 96, when the apostle John wrote the book of Revelation. John closed the canon of scripture, and warned man not to add to, or take away, ONE WORD from the entire Bible; not just the book of Revelation. The consequence of doing this is to have your name removed from the book of life, and your damnation to everlasting fire.

What most Christians don't seem to understand is that the Bible (if it is a King James Bible) they hold in their hands, is the very Word of God. This Word does not have a beginning, or an ending, but is timeless. Jesus Christ was the Word of God made flesh (John 1:1) but we are no longer to look at Him as he was while on earth (2 Cor 5:16) but as He is now, the Word of God with crucified, and risen flesh; whose very name is the Word of God (Rev 19:13).

Jesus came in the flesh AND the Word of God came literally in the words of scripture.

(Psa 40:7) Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me,

(Heb 10:7) Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

Jesus came in the volume of the book. In other words, "I come in the volume of the book written of me." This is backed up by Jesus' own words

that scripture is "spirit and life," and John's testimony of Jesus that He is "life" itself.

(Joh 14:6) Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(Joh 17:17) Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

Jesus is the life, and the truth, out of His own mouth; and again, the Word of God is truth. Jesus is the Word of God which we can hold in our hands today in the Authorized Version. It is our "paper Pope," as some Catholics apologists say in a derogatory manner; but it is true. No man, or leader of the church, is infallible. Peter made several serious mistakes; he rebuked Jesus for going to the cross, and Jesus called him Satan; not that he was influenced by Satan, but that he was Satan at that time because he savored the things of men, not of God. God would also call every man, or woman, Satan in the flesh, who dares to correct His words, and touch his anointed truth.

No piece of round bread is Jesus, contrary to what a billion Roman Catholics believe; but the words of scripture are Jesus, according to our Savior's very own words; they are the very Lord Jesus Christ Himself. In fact, God Himself reverences His own Word above His own name.

(Psa 138:2) 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.

The Jews, who had the task of copying the scriptures, had this kind of reverence for the Word of God. They would bathe before working on copying the Hebrew scrolls. Every letter in Hebrew has a numerical equivalent, and they would add up the numbers on each page to verify PERFECTION. If one number was wrong, they would destroy that page, and start over. Many of the King James translators would only stand while working on the scriptures. Many, such as Sir Lancelot Andrewes, would pray FIVE HOURS A DAY, before the exhausting work of translation.

Each of the forty seven examined, and translated their sections, and examined all other sections of the Bible, and gave corrections, or counsel, for wording, to the other teams. This writer, after 30 years of labor in the Word of God, and study of the history of translations, and

this very issue, has come to the conclusion that the King James Bible is a fulfillment of Bible prophecy itself.

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

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

The "furnace of earth," is the flesh of the men who worked on the King James, and the predecessor translations from Gothic to Wycliffe, Tyndale, Coverdale, the Bishops Bible, the Matthews Bible, and then the Each one was purifying the work of the King James Bible itself. predecessors a total of SEVEN TIMES. Many of the men involved were martyrs who sealed their testimony and life's work with their own blood. How many of today's effeminate men and often masculine (even lesbian) women working on modern translations have died for their faith? Most have lived well off the millions of dollars extorted from the unlearned church world, and Roman Catholics who purchased 150-200 million copies of these corrupt versions (which should be free of copyright fees and profits). Their pockets were lined with money that could have gone to printing real Bibles, or translating the true Greek and Hebrew texts into languages that have no scriptures yet.

There are some fanatical King James Only people who believe that the King James is superior to the Greek and Hebrew texts, and that one would have to learn English to get the true Word of God. This is another tactic of Satan to get Christians eyes off the sparrow of truth in this issue. God has promised the words of God would be available for "all generations." All tongues shall partake of this salvation and be represented in heaven at His second coming.

(Rev 7:9) After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

How can this happen if the very Word of God is not available in all languages? God shall judge people by every word of God, so His name is at stake to accomplish this task, and He will do it. Satan, and his servants, are actually slowing down the coming of Christ by sending out false versions that shorten, delete, or add to, the Word of God. God, however, will have a

remnant that will honor, protect, and rightly translate the true scriptures into every language with preaching accompanying it; and then the end shall come. Are you going to be on God's side, or helping to fight against His words by funding, using, teaching from ,and proliferating, false and mutilated imposters of His Word? This is probably the most vital issue other than salvation itself. The wrong decision could take away that very salvation from you.

Since Adam, and Eve, were expelled from the Garden, Satan has continued his assault on the Word of God. From Adam to Moses there was no written word of God. Few, if any, had the ability to hear God; but men such as Enoch, the seventh from Adam, heard His still, small voice, and followed it. Enoch "walked with God," and obeyed His voice, so pleasing God that he did not see death, but was taken up to heaven bodily.

Noah heard God, and found grace in His sight. He obeyed God, moved with fear, to build the ark (representing salvation,) and saved his family from the flood. From Noah came a godly line of men, and women, who heard the words of God, and taught their children God's Word orally. Men like Abraham, who heard God after destroying the idols in his father's house, and in his own heart. By faith, he left his family, and moved to the land of Ur of the Chaldees. He lived the word of God in his own life, and taught his children God's words. He literally met the Word of God, in flesh, in the person of Melchizedek (Hebrews 7:1-5). Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, became a godly line that pleased God. Jesus called His own Father "the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." Of Jacob's twelve sons, only Joseph heard the words of God in dreams, and visions, and obeyed God. God made Joseph ruler of all Egypt, and used him to teach the pagans God's wisdom.

(Psa 105:20) The king sent and loosed him; even the ruler of the people, and let him go free.

(Psa 105:21) He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his substance:

(Psa 105:22) To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach his senators wisdom.

God used one man, who heard and obeyed His voice, to save an entire nation. After 400 years, God raised up another man who heard his voice (audibly and face-to-face) to save the nation out of bondage in Egypt, and bring them out to the Promise Land. Moses wrote the first scriptures down in the wilderness, the Ten Commandments. God Himself invented the

Hebrew language with the points (jots and tittles,) and Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible. Jesus said, thousands of years later, after hundreds of copies of the Law of Moses were made, that "not ONE jot or tittle shall fail of the law till all be fulfilled." Here, God preserved his word for thousands of years, without error, until the time of Jesus Christ using imperfect human beings to do it.

(2Pe 1:19) We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

(2Pe 1:20) Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

Here Peter is saying that the written word of God is more sure than even a vision of God from heaven (the verses previous describing the vision of God in the mount of transfiguration).

(2Pe 1:21) For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

Peter says that HOLY men were moved by the Holy Ghost, without error, to translate the Words of God into written form. All the prophets, and Old Testament writings, are perfect as well as the New Testament.

The LIE from so called scholars today, and over the past several hundred years that ONLY THE ORIGINAL AUTOGRAPHS are the word of God has been proven wrong, by scripture itself. No one has the original writings of Moses, the prophets, or the apostles; but Jesus said they were available in his day as the perfect words of God. He promises through David, and others, that He will preserve his Word forever.

(Mat 24:35) Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

They will not be lost, corrupted, shortened, added to, or made imperfect, or Jesus is a liar. How can we trust Jesus Christ to save us eternally if we don't believe His words? Men may attempt to destroy Bibles, deceitfully introduce corrupted texts, and wipe out the faith of God on earth; but God always has His people to carry on the torch of truth. Even Elijah, a great prophet of God, believed the lie that faith was destroyed on earth.

(1Ki 19:18) Yet I have left *me* seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him.

Seven thousand who followed the way of God in truth, and have not compromised with Baal, who is emblematic of the false religion, the anti-religion of Elijah's day, and our day. Are we not bowing the knee to Baal and kissing his mouth when we embrace words that come out of false religion to replace the truth?

The PERFECTION of scripture is also seen in fulfilled Bible prophecy.

(Dan 9:25) Know therefore and understand, *that* from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince *shall be* seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

Daniel prophesied TO THE DAY the coming of Jesus Christ. Seven weeks of years, 7 plus threescore, 60 and 2 weeks, equal 69 weeks of years: 69x7 equals 483 years, which, based on 360 days a year, per the calendar at that time, equals 173,880 days. It has been calculated that day was the day Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. Perfect prophesying because of a perfect Word of God. It was prophesied hundreds of years before Jesus' birth that He would be born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2,) that he would be crucified and that he would rise again. We can trust the Bible to predict things accurately, but why do we not trust God to preserve His Word in every language?

After the scriptures were completed in AD 96 when John wrote the mighty book of Revelation, grievous wolves entered into the church, just as Paul had prophesied, "not sparing the flock." Wolves, dressed in religious garb, highly educated, and SUBTIL men, who corrupted the word of God.

Men like Marcion, whose own father excommunicated him from the true church, fell into heresy, and mutilated the scriptures; choosing only those he liked. Justin Martyr (c.100-165) wrote, in the 150 a.d. area, that Marcion was "teaching men to deny that God is the maker of all things in heaven and earth and that the Christ predicted by the prophets is His Son."(1)

Marcion refused, point-blank, to allegorize the OT text. Instead, he rejected it completely. Paul, Marcion claimed, was the only true apostle,

and gathered together ten of his epistles; excluding 1 & 2 Timothy & Titus, from which he carefully removed any 'Jewish corruptions.' (2)

Marcion selected Luke as the only reliable Gospel, editing out all Old Testament references, including the accounts of the birth of Jesus, and John the Baptist (because they contain OT prophesies and links to historical events); His genealogy, records of historical local rulers of the time (Luke 3:1) and began at Luke 4:31 "...Jesus came down to Capernaum..." By this, his readers were to suppose that He simply appeared from heaven, fully grown. (3)

E.H. Broadbent in *The Pilgrim Church* concludes: "Any error may be founded on parts of Scripture; the truth alone is based on the whole. Marcion's errors were the inevitable result of his accepting only what pleased him, and rejecting the rest." (4)

We can see that men and women reject parts of the Bible because it does not please them today. Homosexuals wish that the references to sodomy would be taken out, and so it has been in many of the new versions today. The very word "sodomy" has been removed from all new versions. The word "effeminate" has also been removed. The word "fornication" has also been removed, and these words have been replaced with words that DIMINISH the meaning God intended, and water down, or misconstrued, God's intended warnings against such sins.

(Jer 26:2) Thus saith the LORD; Stand in the court of the LORD'S house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD'S house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word:

One man tried to cut out, with a penknife, the offending scriptures that Jeremiah wrote. His name was Jehoikim. His own name was cut out of the book of life.

(Jer 36:23) And it came to pass, *that* when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, he cut it with the penknife, and cast *it* into the fire that *was* on the hearth, until all the roll was consumed in the fire that *was* on the hearth.

(Jer 36:24) Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, *neither* the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words.

(Jer 36:25) Nevertheless Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king that he would not burn the roll: but he would not hear them.

(Jer 36:26) But the king commanded Jerahmeel the son of Hammelech, and Seraiah the son of Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel, to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet: but the LORD hid them.

(Jer 36:27) Then the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned the roll, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying,

(Jer 36:28) Take thee again another roll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah hath burned.

(Jer 36:29) And thou shalt say to Jehoiakim king of Judah, Thus saith the LORD; Thou hast burned this roll, saying, Why hast thou written therein, saying, The king of Babylon shall certainly come and destroy this land, and shall cause to cease from thence man and beast?

(Jer 36:30) Therefore thus saith the LORD of Jehoiakim king of Judah; He shall have none to sit upon the throne of David: and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to the frost.

(Jer 36:31) And I will punish him and his seed and his servants for their iniquity; and I will bring upon them, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the men of Judah, all the evil that I have pronounced against them; but they hearkened not.

Jehoiakim is simply not mentioned in the genealogy of Christ, even though it mentions all the kings to David. God removed him from the book of life:

(Mat 1:11) And Josias begat (Jehoiakim should be here) Jechonias and his brethren, about the time they were carried away to Babylon:

God will do the same to any man who cuts out what he considers to be offending scriptures. In fact, we are forbidden to even diminish the words of God, by using a word that is weaker. The new versions diminish the power of the English of the King James Bibles by using modern words with less power and authority.

(Jer 26:2) Thus saith the LORD; Stand in the court of the LORD'S house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD'S house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; **diminish not a word:**

Have not the new versions diminished the words of scripture by replacing "fornication" with "sexual immorality?" Modern men, and women, believe it is only immoral to have sex with a partner if there is no love, not ALL sex outside of marriage. "Sodomites" has become "temple

prostitutes" in many new versions; as if same sex relations are acceptable, as long as they are not prostitutes in temples.

This writer believes that the power, and authority, of the English language itself has diminished since the King James times. Therefore, ANY modern version, even if perfectly translating the true Greek, and Hebrew texts, would DIMINISH GOD'S WORDS. God's one and only perfect translation in English was accomplished at the HEIGHT OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

From Marcion, we go to other famous mutilators of the scriptures. Origen, around the year 250 a.d., translated the scriptures in what is called the "Hexapla," a six column translation of the Bible. This writer believes that what is widely thought to be a pre-Christ Greek translation of the Hebrew Scriptures known as the "Septuagint," is actually one of Origen's Greek translations of the Hebrew Scriptures. This is what later became the corrupt texts used by Constantine, Jerome, and the Roman Catholic Church.

Origen was a neo-Platonist, which means he tried to amalgamate the Platonic philosophy, with Christianity, to make it more palatable to the Greeks, and Romans, who valued philosophy. In addition, Origen tried to make the scriptures match, and, back translated the apostle's quotes of the Old Testament to match his Greek translation, which is falsely called a pre-Christ Septuagint. It is a FABLE that 70 Jews went down to Egypt and translated the scriptures around 250 b.c. This fable tells how all 70 translated the entire Old Testament into Greek, and ALL SEVENTY VERSIONS WERE MIRACULOUSLY THE SAME. Because verses like Hebrews 10:5 are different in the New Testament from the Old Testament Hebrew Bible, but match Origen's so called Septuagint; almost every modern scholar believes that the apostles quoted from the Greek Septuagint, rather than the Hebrew. This is absurd; many of them did not even speak Greek, except for Paul, and Barnabus, and a few others. Jesus said not one jot, or tittle, would fail from the Law, which is perfect. Why would the apostles quote from an error filled translation that removes many of the verses that speak of Jesus Christ as being the creator of all things (Gal 3:9,) and says that Jesus is the "Only begotten God," rather than the "Only begotten Son." in John 1:18? There was no pre-incarnate begotten God; this comes from the Gnostic Redeemer myth. Yet, Origen, believed in it because he was a Gnostic. Origen got his idea of the Only Begotten God from Justin Martyr.

"Justin Martyr developed the first Christology....Folling the suggestion of the double meaning of Logos and the precedent of a similar distinction in Philo (A Jewish teacher who tried to merge Judaism and Greek philosophy), he distinguishes in the Logos, that is, in the divine being of Christ, two elements: the immanent, or that which determines the revelation of God to himself within himself; and the transitive, in virtue of which God reveals himself outwardly. The act of the procession of the Logos from God he illustrates by the figure of generation, without dimunition or division of the divine substance; and in this view the Logos is the only and absolute Son of God, the only-begotten." The generation, however, is not with him an eternal act, as with Athansius in the later church doctrine. Justin...in his efforts to reconcile this view with monotheism, he at one time asserts the moral unity of the two divine persons, and at another decidedly subordinates the Son to the Father. Justin thus combines hypostasianism, on the theory of the personal (hypostatical) divinity of Christ, with subordinationism; he is therefore, neither Arian nor Athanasian" (5)

Of course, this comes from the ancient Babylon religion, and its FALSE TRINITY.

"In Babylon, the three persons (of the trinity) had come to be; the Eternal Father, the Spirit of God incarnate in a human mother, and a divine Son, the fruit of that incarnation." (6)

It was Origen who believed in the pre-existence of souls that influenced the Christology of the Church with his idea of the "pre-existent" man

"He (John the Baptist) did not know that 'this is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit and fire,' when he had seen 'the Spirit descending and remaining on him.' John did not know, however, that he (Jesus) was a 'man,' and the first man."(7)

Origen also believed that the HUMAN nature of Jesus pre-existed his incarnation. "But in addition to these things a 'man' is mentioned who comes after John, who existed before him and who was before him, that we

might learn also that the human nature of the Son of God which was united with his divinity antedates his birth from Mary." (8)

Because Origen taught the ETERNAL GENERATION OF THE SON, he denied that Jesus was really the first, and the last. Therefore, the Gnostic Redeemer is a begotten "god" who was incarnated as a human. This incarnate, pre-existent Redeemer, is not the first or the last.

"God the Word transcends the higher order of these gods, himself being transcended by 'the God' of the universe." (9)

"The Savior says in his prayer to the Father, 'That they may know you the only true God.' On the other hand, everything besides the very God, which is made God by participation in his divinity, would more properly not be said to be 'the God,' but 'God.' To be sure, his 'firstborn of every creature,' inasmuch as he was the first to be with God, and has drawn divinity into himself, is more honored than the other gods beside him...

By being with THE God, he always continues to be 'God'. But he would not have this if he was not with God, and he would not remain God if he did not continue in unceasing contemplation of the depth of the Father...God the Word is the minister of deity to all the other Gods." (10)

Origen, mistranslating Phil 2:6,7, says, "he had considered being equal to God robbery." Origen denies that Jesus is the Alpha and Omega. "In addition to these names [we must consider] how he is described in the Apocalypse as the 'first and the last.' As first, he is different from the alpha and the beginning, and as last, he is not the same as the omega and the end." (11)

Origen emasculated himself with a hyper literal application of Jesus' teaching that some make themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of God, so he could teach women, and royal families, without suspicion. Would that today's Christians show some of the same zeal, however misguided his was, to defend, and protect the true scriptures. This writer believes that God does a spiritual emasculation on any man who corrupts the word of God. It is no accident that the head of the Old Testament committee for the New International Version, is widely suspected of being homosexual, and, Virginia Molenkott, a self avowed lesbian, were involved in the stylistic

choices of the NIV. In her own words, Virginia Molenkott said that lesbians and homosexuals need to INFILTRATE translations until they are powerful enough to come out in the open. (12)

By taking out EXCLUSIVE terminology in the Bible, like the name Jehovah: the terminology that indicates that Jesus created the worlds, and by replacing the name of God with the new age "the One," new versions are made more palatable to all religions. Catholics use the NIV, which has the imprimatur of Rome because it is almost perfectly matched with their corrupt manuscripts, Sinaitcus, and Vaticanus. These manuscripts are believed to be two of the 50 expensive vellum copies made by Eusebius for Constantine, and are preserved to this day in Rome and the British museum. Whole books are added, and entire books removed from these corrupt texts; yet most modern versions are based on these two corrupt Alexandrian texts. Alexandria is where Origen taught, and learned, from Gnostic, and neoplatonic teachers such as Clement of Alexandria, and Philo, an apostate Jewish teacher, who tried to mix the things of God with the philosophy of this world. This was what Paul warned the Colossians about, who were steeped already in Gnosticism, and the demonic philosophies of this world.

(Col 2:8) Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

Solomon had the same ecumenical spirit as Origen, and Clement, in that he tried to bring foreign idol worship, and mix it with the true religion of Jehovah.

- (1Ki 11:4) For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, *that* his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as *was* the heart of David his father.
- (1Ki 11:5) For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites.
- (1Ki 11:6) And Solomon did evil in the sight of the LORD, and went not fully after the LORD, as *did* David his father.
- (1Ki 11:7) Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the hill that *is* before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon.
- (1Ki 11:8) And likewise did he for all his strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods.

(1Ki 11:9) And the LORD was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice,

(1Ki 11:10) And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods: but he kept not that which the LORD commanded.

Notice it was Solomon's desire to please his wives that led to compromise. We cannot be people pleasers; yet there is a great move to accept all religions, and water down the exclusive nature of Christianity, to be more acceptable to the coming world religion. To the degree that we please men, we cease to please God.

(Gal 1:10) For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

Is it not true that the Word of God is the very image of God? (Hebrews 1:3). If we deface, mutilate, shorten, or add to the Word of God, are we not creating a false image of God, and therefore erecting an idol no less abominable to God that what Solomon built for Chemosh, the abomination of the children of Moab (a hybrid and incestuous offspring of Lot and his daughters)?

Moses, through his anger and lack of mercy MISREPRESENTED GOD to the people, and was denied access to the Promise Land. Is there not a worse punishment for so called scholars that misrepresent the very express image of God, the Word of God, by diminishing it through weak, modern English, and flat out false interpretations of "dynamic equivalence" and paraphrases? Why do we not tremble at His Word?

Wycliffe, Tyndale, and the King James team, all felt unequal to the task of translating God's holy Word, but felt compelled to do so. Tyndale said that he would not take all the treasures on earth to knowingly change, or diminish, one word of scripture. Where is this reverence today, when the head of the NIV, Kenneth Barker, laughingly says that he would simply change the next version of the NIV when caught with a mistake? The NIV and the New American Standard Version (NASB) have both been updated with substantial changes. Does the word of God change? There is only the occasional PRINTER error, the sound and words of the King James is as the 1611 original. This writer has examined both and they are the same except for font style and spelling changes. God does not change, neither does His word. Those who bought the NASB in the late 1960s will no doubt want to

purchase the 1995 update and bring more filthy lucre to the coffers of those who mutilate, and mar the image of Christ, even today.

(Pro 30:6) Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.

All liars have their part in the lake of fire. Why do these men and women not fear God? Is it any wonder that many who corrupt the Word of God are also idolaters, whoremongers, and sorcerers, etc.?

(Rev 21:8) But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, **and all liars**, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

What of the others in church history who have taken upon themselves to corrupt the scriptures? Jerome used Origen's corruptions to produce the "Latin Vulgate," the Bible approved by the Roman Catholic Church throughout the dark ages. The Waldensians, and their forefathers, protected the old Italic bibles which had the same text as the King James Bible for centuries; risking their lives, and hiding in the Italian Alps, being systematically hunted down like dogs by the papal armies. These men, and women, died for protecting the true Word of God. Six Waldensian bibles sat at the desks of the King James translators. They also had access to Rome's corrupt Vaticanus, and Sinaticus, and rejected their false additions, and subtractions from the true Word of God.

The Latin Vulgate was commissioned by Pope Damasus. The reign of Damasus I was plagued with controversy which began immediately with his election. At the time, the Church was not united, and a powerful faction supported another person, Ursinus, as Pope. Riots led to the deaths over 100 people, and it was only through the intervention of Emperor Valentinian I that peace was restored, and Damasus' hold on power was secured. Later, Damasus was accused of murder, and once again the emperor had to step in to rescue him.

Damasus also seems to have engaged in a program of converting women in Rome for the purpose of having them, in turn, convert their husbands. To a degree he may have been successful because Christianity became fashionable during his reign, although his charm with the women also lead to accusations of adultery.

In 376, Damasus made Jerome of Dalmatia his secretary, and then had him begin work on a new, authoritative translation of the Old and New Testaments. This helped establish Latin as the principle language of the Church for centuries to come.

Jerome being commissioned by the Catholic Church translated a revision of the Itala Vulgate, Jerome's Vulgate, which came to be known as the Latin Vulgate (382). The Catholic Church's Latin Vulgate, based on the Alexandrian family, was used for ushering in the Dark Ages. (13)

Through history, 1545-1563, the Council of Trent declared the Latin Vulgate the official Bible of the Catholic Church. In 1592, Pope Clement VIII authorized another authentic addition of the Latin Vulgate. While all the time it was the official version of the Catholic Church, it was not the readings used by Christians.

Jerome recognized the difference between the Received Text and the Alexandrian. The Catholic Church recognizes the difference between the Received Text, and the Alexandrian, and bases their official version today, as then, on the Alexandrian readings. Helvidius, and his pupil Jovinian, recognized there was a difference. Those Christians that used the Received Text at the cost of their blood certainly recognized there was a difference. F. J. A. Hort recognized a difference, and said, "I do not think the significance of their existence is generally understood... It is quite impossible to judge of the value of what appears to be trifling alterations merely by reading them one after another. Taken together, they have often important bearings which few would think of at first..." Vance Smith, a prominent contemporary of Westcott and Hort, says of the changes, "It has been frequently said that the changes of translation ... are of little importance from a doctrinal point of view ... [A]ny such statement [is] ... contrary to the facts."

"No one, I believe, has till now made a systematic examination of the quotations occurring in the writings of the Fathers who died before A.D. 400 and in public documents written prior to that date. . . The testimony therefore of the [76] Early Fathers is emphatically according to the issue of numbers in favor of the Traditional Text, being about 3:2. But it is also necessary to inform the readers of this treatise, that here quality confirms quantity. A list will now be given of thirty important passages in which evidence is borne on both sides, and it will be seen that 530 testimonies are given in favor of the Traditional readings as against 170 on the other side. In

other words, the Traditional Text beats its opponent in a general proportion to 3 to 1." (14)

The Received Text was used by Christians those many years, and that at the cost of much blood. For fifteen hundred years, the Textus Receptus was used by Christians, and the Alexandrian readings rejected. The readings of the Alexandrian remained the foundation during that time of the Catholic Church, and are the foundation used for the Catholic Church yet today. Since 1881, the many modern versions being issued have been based on the Alexandrian readings, and so align with the Catholic Church in that respect; using the Alexandrian family, and not the readings of the Reformation, they are on the opposite side of the many that lost their blood beginning back in the first centuries of Christendom, to hold the Received text, and so are opposed to the Textus Receptus (Antiochian family), Tyndale's Bible, Luther's Bible, Geneva Bible, and the 1611 King James Version.

"The Italic or pre-Waldensian Church produced a version of the New Testament which was translated from the Received Text by the year AD 157" Fredrick Henry Scrivner, *A Plain Introduction to the Criticism of the New Testament*, 1874.

"The Bible translation of the Italic Church came to be known as the Itala translation. The point of all this is that the Itala Bible was translated from the Received Text." Kenyon, *Our Bible and the Ancient Manuscripts*, 1859.

Amidst persecution and bloodshed, for one thousand years, the Waldenses, Albigenses, and other groups of Christians, rejected the Catholic Church, and their Latin Vulgate, and copied the Received Text as used for the Itala Vulgate.

But it is noteworthy, various sources show the Old Latin (Itala) as being in the lineage of the 1611 King James Version, allied with the Received Text, while Jerome's Latin Vulgate, is shown to be part of the Alexandrian lineage, and not part of the Received Text. Grady, in *Final Authority*, p. 9, says the original Old Latin (Itala Bible) was the preserved word of God for Latin speaking believers, and Grady says it is closely allied with the Textus Receptus (*Final Authority*, p. 35). The Itala and the Jerome Latin Vulgate are two separate and different sources.

The Catholic Latin Vulgate has text that agrees with Aleph and B, Alexandrian, and that was available for Tyndale, and for the KJV translators. Some, trying to slip the Alexandrian text in place of the traditional Received Text, say the Alexandrian were not available to the translators back then. They certainly were, in the Latin Vulgate. They rejected them however.

Origen was probably the worst corrupter of the scriptures in the early church.

"... HE CONTRIBUTED TO WEAKEN THE AUTHORITY OF THE RECEIVED TEXT OF THE NEW [TESTAMENT]. In the course of his Commentaries, he cited the versions of Aguila, Symmachus, and Theodotion, on the former part of the Canon, he appealed to the authority of Valentinus and Heracleon on the latter. WHILE HE THUS RAISED THE CREDIT OF THOSE REVISALS, WHICH HAD BEEN MADE BY THE HERETICKS, HE DETRACTED FROM THE AUTHORITY OF THAT TEXT WHICH HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY THE ORTHODOX. Some difficulties which he found himself unable to solve in the Evangelists, he undertook to remove, BY EXPRESSING HIS DOUBTS OF THE INTEGRITY OF THE TEXT. In some instances he ventured to impeach the reading of the New Testament on the testimony of the Old, and to convict the copies of one Gospel on the evidence of another: thus giving loose to his fancy, and indulging in many wild conjectures, HE CONSIDERABLY IMPAIRED THE CREDIT OF THE VULGAR OR COMMON EDITION, as well in the New as in the Old Testament" (emphasis added) (15)

¹⁾ Justin Martyr, 1 Apology 58.

⁽²⁾ F.F. Bruce, *The Canon Of Scripture*. (Downers Grove: IVP, 1988), 138-139. "Christ's earliest apostles proved failures, but he raised up Paul after them." Edwin C. Blackman, *Marcion and his Influence*. (London: SPCK, 1948), 48. "Marcion claimed that only Paul understood the true nature of Christ's mission." Blackman, 96. "In overstraining the difference between Paul and the other apostles, he was the forerunner of the Tubingen school of critics." Schaff, 486.

⁽³⁾ Bruce, *Canon*, 138.

- (4) E.H. Broadbent, *The Pilgrim Church*, 2nd edn. (London: Pickering & Inglis, 1935), 15.
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- (6) Alexander Hislop, The Two Babylons, p. 19
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CHAPTER TWO: THE CORRUPTION CONTINUES

From the early corrupters of scripture, such as Marcion, and Origen, and Jerome, we move forward in history about 1600 years to the year 1881 a.d. The Roman Catholic Latin Vulgate was the dominant Bible translation for over 1000 years. God always has a lamp, a witness, however.

The Waldensians of Italy were considered heretics by Rome. They were persecuted for their non "orthodox" faith as well as their "heretical" scriptures, which happened to match the text received, and accepted by the aggregate true body of Christ all through the dark ages.

The King James translators had six Waldensian Bibles among the consulted texts, and translations used in the King James Version. They also had foreign language Bibles, and even had access to the Latin Vulgate of Rome, which they rejected. The true underlying Greek texts, that cost many true believers their lives over the centuries, were preserved by God, and were thoroughly examined, and collated by the 47 scholars working on the King James translation.

The Church of England broke away from the Roman Catholic Church, because Henry VIII desired a divorce from his Catholic wife, who had no child. She was Henry VIII's brother's wife, and the king felt that the marriage was cursed by God because of this. He sought a divorce from Rome so he could marry again, and have sons. Rome refused to grant a divorce, and so Henry made himself the head of the Church of England. By 1881, the Oxford Movement, was gaining momentum with many in the Church of England leaving, and going back to Rome. Many others stayed in the Anglican Church, but were sympathetic to Rome.

B.F. Westcott and F.J.A. Hort were two such men, who, in their own son's biographies of them showed their hatred of fundamentalists, and their sympathies with Rome. They conspired to create a new Greek text over a period of 30 years, and changed the received text to match the corrupt Vaticanus, and Sinaiticus manuscripts, which they felt were the original

writings of the apostles. These two manuscripts disagreed with each other in over 3000 places in the New Testament alone. When the decision was made to update the language of the King James Bible in 1881, Hort, and Wescott rammed through their corrupt Greek text, and the English Revised Version of 1881 was born, the first corrupt version of the New Age.

In 1851, Hort, and Westcott started the Ghostly Guild, which over the years included some of the most noted intellectuals in England, including future Prime Minister Arthur Balfour. Balfour was at the center of an elite group which had inherited great political power, wealth, and social position. They were leaders in the occult revival of the 19th century, and founders of the New Age Movement with Luciferian Helen Blatavsky.

Westcott believed the book "the Shepard of Hermas" should be included in scripture because it was in his beloved Sinaiticus manuscript.

"In their immoderate desire to find evidence for the authenticity of the New Testament, the best men, the most erudite scholars, even Protestant divines, but too often fall into deplorable traps. We cannot believe that such a learned commentator as Canon Westcott could have left himself in ignorance as to Talmudistic, and purely kabalistic writings. How then is it that we find him quoting, with such serene assurance as presenting 'striking analogies to the Gospel of St. John,' passages from the work of *The Pastor of Hermas*, which are complete sentences from kabalistic literature?" (1)

Hort and Westcott literally fulfilled Bible prophecy and were used as tools of Satan from WITHIN THE RANKS OF PROTESTANT CHRISTIANITY to introduce doctrines of demons into the scriptures that many men and women died to protect.

- (Jud 1:4) For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.
- (Eph 4:14) That we *henceforth* be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, *and* cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;
- (1Ti 6:3) If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, *even* the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;

(1Ti 6:4) He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

(1Ti 6:5) Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

F.J.A. Hort denied the atonement of Christ's blood.

"Certainly nothing can be more unscriptural than the modern limiting of Christ's bearing our sins and sufferings to His death; but indeed that is only one aspect of an almost universal heresy." (2)

Hort believed in baptismal regeneration, a Roman Catholic invention, and one of the most damnable heresies ever.

"...at the same time in language stating that we maintain 'Baptismal Regeneration' as the most important of doctrines...the pure 'Romish' view seems to me nearer, and more likely to lead to, the truth than the Evangelical." (3)

Bishop Wescott denied the infallibility of scripture.

"I am very glad to have seen both your note and Lightfoot's - Glad too that we have had such an opportunity of openly speaking. For I too "must disclaim setting forth infallibility" in front of my convictions. All I hold is, that the more I learn, the more I am convinced that fresh doubts come from my own ignorance, and that at present I find the presumption in favour of absolute truth - I reject the word infallibility - of Holy Scripture overwhelming." (4)

Both Hort and Wescott were sympathetic with Roman Catholic Mariolatry.

"After leaving the Monastery, we shaped our course to a little oratory which we discovered on the summit of a neighboring hill...Fortunately, we found the door open. It is very small, with one kneeling-place, and behind a screen was a 'Pieta' the size of life (i.e. a Virgin and dead Christ)...Had I been alone, I could have knelt there for hours." (5)

"It is smaller than I expected, and the colouring is less rich, but in

expression it is perfect. The face of the virgin is unspeakably beautiful. I looked till the lip seemed to tremble with intensity of feeling---of feeling simply, for it would be impossible to say whether it be awe or joy or hope---humanity shrinking before the divine, or swelling with its conscious possession. It is enough that there is deep, intensely deep, emotion such as the mother of the Lord may have had."

I have been persuaded for many years that Mary-worship and 'Jesus' worship have very much in common in their causes and results. (7)

Does God let such heretics, and sinners, translate His Holy Word? No! The task of translation is a holy one, and only those who are born of His Holy Spirit should attempt the task, and then only with pure intentions. Satan found two men who were highly esteemed among men, but were an abomination to God.

(Luk 16:15) And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

These men brought the corruptions of Rome into the very text of Greek and Hebrew that the church has used for centuries to produce the true Word of God in all languages. Since that time, in 1881, almost all the translations produced followed Westcott, and Hort. Only the New King James Bible followed the Textus Receptus, but questioned the readings in their footnotes and followed the Hort/Westcott text in many important places. They did not use the same Hebrew text for the Old Testament.

How many millions of lives have been destroyed by Hort and Westcott? What effect have their corrupt texts had on the church? We can see that from 1881 on, there has been a general apostasy in the church, and a growing ecumenical movement back to Rome among so called Protestants who don't know why we left Rome in the first place. Division has been caused in the churches as each Christian does what is right in his own eyes, and chooses a translation that appeals to his desires: we no longer speak the same words, and think the same thoughts because of the proliferation of false Bibles. It is no accident that the secular New Age Movement, the Ecumenical movement, Darwinian evolution, and Communism were unleashed on the world at the same time.

Where was the outcry from pastors and leaders in the church then and today? Except for a very small minority, there has been almost none. Yet the Word of God, which has been preserved for us in the King James Version, without error, has been tossed aside by many for one of the hundreds of corrupt translations, or paraphrases, available today.

If there is any true revival to come in the last days, it will be among the true sheep of Christ, who can hear His voice in the King James Bible, and reverence His Words with all their hearts.

Hort denied the existence of a real personal devil.

"Now if there be a devil, he cannot merely bear a corrupted and marred image of God; he must be wholly evil, his name evil, his every energy and act evil. Would it not be a violation of the divine attributes for the Word to be actively the support of such a nature of that?" (8)

"The Word upholds his existence, not his evil. That is in himself; that is the mysterious, awful possibility implied in his being a will. I need scarcely say that I do not mean by this acknowledgement of an evil spirit that I acknowledge a material devil. But does anyone?" (9)

Is it not true that Satan can best use those who deny his very existence? Hort and Westcott were actually the fathers of the modern day channeling movement. By committing the sin of necromancy, they became channels for powerful, intelligent demonic spirits to use them to corrupt the Word of God, a feat no Roman Catholic could do. Every seminary teacher and student who assents to these corruptions partakes of the spirit of Westcott and Hort and their judgment from God. The fight to expose this deception is one of the most important battles a true Christian has in these last days.

1864 Sept. 23rd - Hort: "I believe Coleridge was quite right in saying that Christianity without a substantial Church is vanity and dissolution; and I remember shocking you and Lightfoot not so very long ago by expressing a belief that 'Protestantism' is only parenthetical and temporary. In short, the Irvingite creed (minus the belief in the superior claims of the Irvingite communion) seems to me unassailable in things ecclesiastical." (10)

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CHAPTER 3: THE KING JAMES ONLY CONTROVERSY

Author James White of *The King James Only Controversy*, has been on many radio, and television programs denying that the King James Version is the perfect Word of God for English speaking people.

He believes that the King James Version is the Word of God, but so are other good translations such as the New American Standard Version (NASV) and the New International Version (NIV). He has stated that God has preserved His Word through all the various textual differences and Greek text types, but clearly prefers the "oldest and best" manuscripts Vaticanus, and Sinaiticus. He was recently rewarded with a position on the NASV committee, which published a 1995 update (and no doubt more as "improvements" in linguistics and knowledge of languages increase).

In the propaganda video put out by John Ankerberg's ministry on the King James Only debate, the pro new versions panel outnumbered the King James side by several men, who had a much higher percentage of total time to speak. In addition, Ankerberg himself debated against the King James side, and gave obvious preference to the "scholars" of the pro new versions panel.

Ankerberg, and his obvious soul-mates on the new version side conspired together to set up the other side to make them look foolish. We

have watched this video many times, and are convinced that the questions asked were one-sided and biased.

James White, author of the book, *The King James Only Controversy*, was also on the show. Here is a quote of his position: "God's work of preservation has taken place not through the use of a particular group, a particular geographical area, or a particular text type. God has preserved His Word in the entire mass of New Testament manuscripts, including those of every text type....Some of the greatest treasures we have discovered in the past century have been the papyri manuscripts that have lain in the sands of Egypt for nearly 1800 years." (1)

It was in Alexandria, Egypt, that Philo, Clement, and Origen began their corruptions of the scriptures in an attempt to make them more palatable, and universal. They also introduced changes that line up with their Gnostic, neo-Platonic philosophy, and the Egyptian mystery religions that influenced them. God cannot be the author of confusion. The gospels, the letters of Paul, and the other apostles that make up the New Testament, have one reading. The corruptions, and alternate readings of Alexandria cannot be given equal (or more) weight than the texts received by the true body of Christ over the years.

We who are born of God's Holy Spirit are the new priesthood. Only members of God's priesthood are allowed to translate the scriptures, not unbelieving pagans who try to blend Christianity with false religions. The children of the flesh cannot hear God because He is not their Father, but as Jesus said, their father is the devil. The devil, therefore, is who they hear, and are influenced by.

James White is a member of a Reformed Baptist Church. I am not going to judge his salvation; however, even some who are born-again of God's Spirit have dulled their ears, and hearts, and cannot hear God's Word. The main thesis of White that all text types and variants are the Word of God, and any translation of any of these can be called the Word of God, is fundamentally flawed, anti-biblical, and dishonoring to God, who promised to preserve His words perfectly. Whites' thesis, however, conveniently opens the door for a need for highly educated "scholars," such as himself, who can interpret the true intent of the apostles for those of us who don't have the knowledge of Greek, Hebrew and other cognate languages. They

have become our interpreters, and a new Protestant version of the priest class/laity class distinction of the Roman Catholic Church.

Look at the arrogance in this statement in White's book:

"It should be axiomatic among Christian scholars that open discussion, and liberty, should prevail. THAT IS ONE REASON WHY KJV ONLYISM HAS FOUND NO TRUE PROPONENT AMONGST CHRISTIAN SCHOLARS: it denies anyone the freedom to examine the KJV on the very same basis as any other translation. The position is, by its nature, anti-intellectual, anti-scholarship, and anti-freedom" (emphasis added) (2)

The opponents of those who believe that God has a perfect Word of God label them as "King James Onlyites" – a derisive term that implies a back-woods, ignorant hillbilly, who can barely read. In addition to the arguments that the King James Version has mistakes, and that the new versions are based on superior texts, they quote the King James translators themselves to prove that they believed other translations could improve on theirs. Here are some examples from the preface to the King James Bible written by the translators.

"Now to the latter we answer; that we do not deny, nay we affirm and avow, that the *very meanest translation of the Bible in English*, set forth by men of our profession, (for we have seen none of theirs of the whole Bible as yet) containeth the word of God, nay, *is the word of God*."

"For is the kingdom of God to become words or syllables? Why should we be in bondage to them if we may be free, use one precisely when we may use another no less fit, as commodiously?"

"Some peradventure would have no variety of senses to be set in the margin, lest the authority of the Scriptures for deciding of controversies by that show of uncertainty, should somewhat be shaken. *But we hold their judgment not to be sound in this point.*" (emphasis added)

"...it hath pleased God in his divine providence, here and there to scatter words and sentences of that difficulty and doubtfulness, not in doctrinal points that concern salvation, (for in such it hath been vouched that the Scriptures are plain) but in matters of less moment, that fearfulness would better beseem us than confidence..." (emphasis added)

"There be many words in the Scriptures, which be never found there but once, (having neither brother or neighbor, as the Hebrews speak) so that we cannot be holpen by conference of places."

"Doth not a margin do well to admonish the Reader to seek further, and not to conclude or dogmatize upon this or that peremptorily?"

"For as it is a fault of incredulity, to doubt of those things that are evident: so to determine of such things as the Spirit of God hath left (even in the judgment of the judicious) questionable, can be *no less than presumption*." (emphasis added)

"Therefore as S. Augustine saith, that *variety of Translations is profitable for the finding out of the sense of the Scriptures*: so diversity of signification and sense in the margin, where the text is no so clear, must needs do good, yea, is necessary, as we are persuaded." (emphasis added)

"They that are wise, had rather have their judgments at liberty in differences of readings, *than to be captivated to one, when it may be the other.*" (emphasis added)

"...we have not tied ourselves to an uniformity of phrasing, or to an identity of words, as some peradventure would wish that we had done, because they observe, that some learned men somewhere, have been as exact as they could that way." (emphasis added)

"Yet before we end, we must answer a third cavil and objection of theirs against us, for altering and amending our Translations so oft; wherein truly they deal hardly, and strangely with us. For to whomever was it imputed for a fault (by such as were wise) to go over that which he had done, and to amend it where he saw cause?"

"But the difference that appeareth between our Translations, and our often correcting of them, is the thing that we are specially charged with; let us see therefore whether they themselves be without fault this way, (if it be to be counted a fault, to correct) and whether they be fit men to throw stones at us: O tandem maior parcas insane minori: they that are less sound themselves, out not to object infirmities to others."

"...About the need for Scripture in vulgar (common), everyday language, not some archaic language or dialect."

"Indeed without translation into the vulgar tongue, the unlearned are but like children at Jacob's well (which is deep) [John 4:11] without a bucket or something to draw with; or as that person mentioned by Isaiah, to whom when a sealed book was delivered, with this motion, "Read this, I pray thee," he was fain to make this answer, "I cannot, for it is sealed." [Isa 29:11]"

"But we desire that the Scripture may speak like itself, as in the language of Canaan, that it may be understood even of the very vulgar."

"But, when the fulness of time drew near, that the Sun of righteousness, the Son of God should come into the world, whom God ordained to be a reconciliation through faith in his blood, not of the Jew only, but also of the Greek, yea, of all them that were scattered abroad; then lo, *it pleased the Lord* to stir up the spirit of a Greek Prince (Greek for descent and language) even of Ptolemy Philadelph King of Egypt, to procure the translating of the Book of God out of Hebrew into Greek. This is the translation of the Seventy Interpreters, commonly so called, which prepared the way for our Saviour among the Gentiles by written preaching, as Saint John Baptist did among the Jews by vocal." (emphasis added)

"It is certain, that that Translation was not so sound and so perfect, but it needed in many places correction; and who had been so sufficient for this work as the Apostles or Apostolic men? Yet it seemed good to the holy Ghost and to them, to take that which they found, (the same being for the greatest part true and sufficient) rather than making a new, in that new world and green age of the Church, to expose themselves to many exceptions and cavillations, as though they made a Translations to serve their own turn, and therefore bearing a witness to themselves, their witness not to be regarded." (emphasis added)

"The translation of the Seventy dissenteth from the Original in many places, neither doeth it come near it, for perspicuity, gravity, majesty; yet which of the Apostles did comdemn it? Condemn it? Nay, they used it...which they would not have done, nor by their example of using it, so grace and comment it to the Church, if it had been unworthy the appellation and name of the word of God." (emphasis added)

At first glance it seems that the King James translators believed that their translation was imperfect, that all translations should be called the Word of God, and that they were looking for future generations to correct their mistakes, and somehow increase the accuracy of the scriptures, and make it more, and more error-free, and closer to the original Greek, and Hebrew.

One thing the above quotes prove is that the King James translators were imperfect men. So were the apostles and prophets who wrote the scriptures in the first place. This writer is convinced that the corruptions in the so called Septuagint cannot be considered to be the word of God. The story of the Septuagint coming from King Ptolemy of Egypt hiring 70 Hebrew scholars to translate the Bible into Greek, is a fable. The King James translators were deceived here, BUT THEY DID NOT USE THE SEPTUAGINT. Why not? Because they knew it had the same corruptions as the Latin Vulgate, which they also rejected.

Their humility would not allow them to think their translation was perfect, as any true Christian should take the humble opinion of himself. Yet the product was the Word of God purified over, and over again beginning with the translations made before the King James Bible.

A true believer in God's preserved Word does not believe what some of the radical King James people believe. The King James Bible is not the only translation that could be done that is the perfect Word of God. Those who believe that God promised to preserve His Word believe that He will do so in every language, and tongue. A similar feat of translating the Greek and Hebrew could be done today in modern English, but there are three reasons why it will not be done. One, it has been done once, and there is no need to redo it. Two, there are so many corruptions in Lexicons, that getting the true sense of the Greek, and Hebrew would be nearly impossible. Three, we are in an age of apostasy, and this apostasy will get worse, and worse as we get near the coming of Christ. This writer believes that the small remnant of those who live holy lives, and have discernment, agree that the King James Bible is the true Word of God. Apostates only corrupt the word of God as Marcion, Origen, Westcott and Hort, as well as modern translators have done.

Contrary to what James White believes about preservation through all texts and variants, the logical and necessary belief is that God preserved His Word, and made it available to all Christians from all times since Christ.

"If you adopt one of these false views of the providential preservation of the Scriptures, then you are logically on your way toward the denial of the infallible inspiration of the Scriptures. For if God has preserved the Scriptures so carelessly, why would he have infallibly inspired them in the first place? It is not sufficient therefore merely to *say* that you believe in the doctrine of the special, providential preservation of the holy Scriptures. You must *really* believe this doctrine and allow it to guide your thinking. You must begin with Christ and the Gospel and proceed according to the logic of faith. This will lead you to the Traditional text, the Textus Receptus, and the King James Version, in other words, to the common faith." (3)

- (1) http://www.aomin.org/Holandrep.html
- (2) (The King James Only Controversy, James White, p. 151).
- (3) (Hills, Believing Bible Study, Des Moines, Iowa: 1967, pp. 216-220).

CHAPTER 4: THE PROOF IS IN THE PUDDING – HOW THE NEW VERSIONS FOLLOW NEW AGE AND ROMAN CATHOLIC DOCTRINES

In the preceding chapters, we have tried to show the history of corruption of the Word of God. In this chapter, we will attempt to show how the actual translations themselves show the footprints of Satan, and expose the conspiracy of corrupt men, influenced by devils, to weaken, pervert, and shorten the message of a loving God to a generation that needs it pure and undiluted more than almost any before it.

Jesus, God in the flesh, prophesied that the generation proceeding His second coming would be as corrupt and the days of Noah and Lot (Sodom and Gomorrah).

(Luk 17:26) And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.

(Luk 17:28) Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;

(Luk 17:29) But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed *them* all.

(Luk 17:30) Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.

Look at this example of Catholic theology. This is from the Douay-Rheims translation done by Jesuits in an attempt to pre-empt the King James translation:

(Psa 110:3) With thee is the principality in the day of thy strength: in the brightness of the saints: from the womb before the day star I begot thee. (Douay-Rheims)

(Psa 110:3) Thy people *shall be* willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth. (King James Version)

The Roman Catholic Apocrypha also teaches this doctrine, which is polytheistic and based on the Babylonian Egyptian Trinities, not a biblical theology of the three members of the Godhead.

Sirach 24:5, "I came out of the mouth of the Most High, the first-born before all creatures."

The Roman Catholic teaching that the Son was eternally begotten of the Father before creation is proven by this verse in the Douay Rheims, which is based on the Latin Vulgate. This verse, however, in the Received Text, says nothing like this. Some who criticize the King James only proponents point out that many pro-King James people deny the doctrine of the eternally begotten Son. This is because the King James does not teach that the Son of God was begotten in eternity past but only at the incarnation, and again at the resurrection of Christ, not before.

(Act 13:33) God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

This verse is the fulfillment of the verse that speaks of the begetting of the Son.

(Psa 2:7) I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou *art* my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

This verse seems to say that Jesus was considered begotten of God when He was made flesh:

(Joh 1:14) And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

There is no verse in the King James Bible that speaks of an eternal begetting of the Son, and the Bible alone is where the Church should get her doctrines, not mixing with pagan philosophies, and religions.

An example of how the Gnostic Alexandrian manuscripts manifest in the new versions is this:

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." Vaticanus and Sinaiticus take out "by Jesus Christ," and this is how the New Berkeley, New International Version, and the New American Standard Version read. The Gnostics did not want to believe that Jesus created the worlds.

The Gnostic influence of the new versions is seen clearly in John 1:18. The King James says "the only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father has declared Him." The NASB says, "the only begotten God." The NIV says, "God the one and only, who is at the Father's side". One has a begotten God, and the other an unbegotten God. Both are wrong. The NIV adds to the Bible by saying that Jesus sits at the side of the Father, where the King James never places the Son and Father in heaven side by

side. The Gnostic and Grecian philosophy influence in Alexandria, Egypt, introduced the idea that the Logos was a separate, sub-deity created for the purpose of creation. Jesus is not a begotten God, but God the Word in flesh who created the world he came into. He is Jehovah in the flesh.

Alexandrian synthesis cannot stand for Jesus Christ to be God in the flesh. The ASV committee in 1881 had a Unitarian who denied the deity of Christ.

Consider the following statement by Matthew Riddle, a member of the ASV translation committee:

"Dr. Ezra Abbot was the foremost textual critic in America, and HIS OPINIONS USUALLY PREVAILED WHEN QUESTIONS OF TEXT WERE DEBATED... Dr. Ezra Abbot presented a very able paper on the last clause of Romans 9:5, arguing that it was a doxology to God, and not to be referred to Christ. His view of the punctuation, which is held by many modern scholars, appears in the margin of the American Appendix, and is more defensible than the margin of the English Company... Acts 20:28. 'The Lord' is placed in the text, with this margin: 'Some ancient authorities, including the two oldest manuscripts, read God.' ... Dr. Abbot wrote a long article in favor of the reading [which removes 'God' from the text]" (1)

(Act 20:28) Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

This verse proves the deity of Christ, that the blood that was in Christ was the very blood of God Himself. Any verse that made Jesus Christ God was anathema to Origen, who along with others in Alexandria wanted to blend Christianity with Grecian philosophy and Egyptian mystery religions.

Dangerous New Age doctrines are introduced by the new versions, based on corrupted texts from Alexandria. The King James mentions one name in the forehead of those who are marked for God, the New American Standard mentions two names. Who is "his name?"

(Rev 14:1) And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty *and* four thousand, having **his Father's name** written in their foreheads. (KJV)

(Rev 14:1) Then I looked, and behold, the Lamb *was* standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having **His name and the name of His Father** written on their foreheads. (NASV)

Another example of New Age teaching entering modern versions is this verse:

- (Rev 13:18)This calls for wisdom. If anyone has insight, let him calculate the number of the beast, for it is man's number. His number is 666. (NIV)
- (Rev 13:18) Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number *is* Six hundred threescore *and* six.(KJV)

Notice that the New International Version denies the personal antichrist with this verse. It is the number of man in general, not A MAN, THE ANTICHRIST.

Another significant change in the Bible is to delete the name of Lucifer and change it into a name given to the Lord Jesus Christ:

- (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!
- (Isa 14:12) How you have fallen from heaven, **O star of the morning**, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations! (NASB)
- (Isa 14:12) How you have <u>fallen</u> from heaven, O **morning star**, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! (NIV)

Yet, in the New Testament, Jesus is called the Morning Star!

- (2Pe 1:19) We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: (KJV)
- (2Pe 1:19) So we have the prophetic word made more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the **morning star** arises in your hearts. (NASB)
- (2Pe 1:19) And we have the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the **morning star** rises in your hearts. (NIV)

The Hebrew word for "Lucifer" is heylel, (pronounced hay lale') and means "shining one". A similar word in Arabic signifies the new moon, and may be a reference to the moon-god Allah.

And in Arabic *hilâl* signifies the new moon, which might be called ben-shacar (son of the dawn), from the fact that, from the time when it passes out of the invisibility of its first phase, it is seen at sunrise, and is as it were born out of the dawn (2)

Modern "scholars" scoff at the ignorance that the term "Lucifer" comes from Jeromes' translation in Latin, which means "light-bearer" and was incorporated into the King James Bible by ignorant men. It is simply referring to the king of Babylon.

The truth is that the term Lucifer refers to Satan falling from heaven.

"It seems minor, but - the actual term used in the Greek Septuagint version of Isaiah 14:12 (given that there is no ONE way of accurately transliterating) is Eo(u)s phoros, morning star/DAWN god of light

The actual name, "Lucifer," goes back to the Greeks, before the Romans. Socrates and Plato talk about this "god of light"; surprisingly, not in the context of Eos (god of Dawn), but -- as a morning star -- juxtaposed with the sun (Helios) and Hermes. This information can be found in Plato's *Timaeus* (38e) and in Edith Hamilton's *Mythology*." (3)

The King James translators knew that this was speaking of the god Lucifer, also known as Hermes and Baal, the sun god. It goes back to the Greeks, not Jerome.

Modern day churches call themselves Luciferian, they know if refers to Satan:

Lucifer's planetary element is Venus, Lucifer being known as the morning star or first star of morning, otherwise known as Venus. Venus, known as the "Planet of love" represents the beauty of Lux Ferre (Latin for light bearer/bringer or Lucifer).

Lucifer's consort/Female aspect is Lilith, Lilith being the first wife of Adam before becoming the queen of the damned. It is said Lilith comes from the mud and the dust and is queen of the Succubi/Luciferic Witch. When Lucifer and Lilith mate they equal the androgynous being known as "Baphomet" or the "Goat of Mendes" also called "God of the Witches". Liliths number is two, also known as the number of the eternal female. Lilith is considered an equal to Lucifer to some, and the feminine aspect of Lucifer himself to others. (4)

If God had wanted to say "morning star" in Isaiah 14:12, He would have used the same Hebrew words as he did in Job 38:7 The Hebrew here is boqer (bo ker') (morning) Kokab (ko-kawb') (stars). The new versions are using mythology to prove that the same name Jesus uses for Himself in Revelation 22:16 and 2:28 as well as II Peter 1:19 is the name for Satan.

Notice that the reference to Satan is missing in the new versions in Luke 4:8:

- (Luk 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. (KJV)
- (Luk 4:8) Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD AND SERVE HIM ONLY." (NASB)
- (Luk 4:8) Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only. (NIV)

Look also at the mutilation of Luke 11:2-4:

- (Luk 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.**
 - (Luk 11:3) Give us day by day our daily bread.
- (Luk 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**.
- (Luk 11:2) And He said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come.
 - (Luk 11:3) 'Give us each day our daily bread.

(Luk 11:4) 'And forgive us our sins, For we ourselves also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation."'(NASB)

(Luke 11:2-4) ²He said to them, "When you pray, say: " 'Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. ³Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. ¹ And lead us not into temptation." (NIV)

Notice the missing words. This prayer could be referring to any "father" nothing is mentioned about doing the will of God, and no prayer to be delivered from evil.

The mother of the New Age Movement, Helena Blavatsky, says that this comes from Marcion, who corrupted the gospel of Luke:

"We find in Supernatural Religion the following startling sentence: 'We are, therefore, indebted to Marcion for the correct version even of the Lord's prayer." (5)

Irenaeus said this about Marcion:

"Wherefore also Marcion and his followers have betaken themselves to mutilating the scriptures not acknowledging some books at all; and curtailing the gospel according to Luke." (6)

Again, the new versions take out reference to WHOSE FATHER WE WORSHIP; the Alexandrians wanted the Bible to be able to apply to all religions.

(Eph 3:14) For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, (KJV)

(Eph 3:14) For this reason I bow my knees before the Father (NASB)

 $^{(Eph\ 3:14)}$ For this reason I kneel before the Father (NIV)

Again, the new versions omit half of a verse that describes the Kingdom and power and glory of God the Father:

(Mat 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. (KJV)

- (Mat 6:13) 'And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.]'(NASB) Put in brackets here.
- (Mat 6:13) ¹³And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. (NIV) Relegated to a footnote about "later manuscripts"

New versions also refer to Jesus as "the One".

- (Rev 1:18) I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death. (KJV)
- (Rev 1:18) I am **the Living One**; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.(NIV)
- (Joh 15:21) But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. (KJV)
- (John 15:21) They will treat you this way because of my name, for they do not know the One who sent me.(NIV)
- Listen to this quote by Virginia Mollenkott, who was a stylist for the NIV:
- "To refer to God Herself seems to me a humanly just way of referring to the One who is neither male nor female." (7)

The new versions give New Age names to Jesus Christ:

- (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*. (KJV)
- (Joh 1:18) No one has seen God at any time; the **only begotten God** who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained *Him.* (*NASB*)
- (Joh 1:18) No one has ever seen God, but **God the One and Only**, who is at the Father's side, has made him known.(NIV)
- Again, the new versions use New Age language for Jesus Christ, calling Him "the One."
- (Luk 9:35) And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

(Luk 9:35) Then a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!"(NASB)

Even the New King James Bible has new age language in Luke 7:20 it says "the Coming One."

(Luk 7:20) When the men were come unto him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another? (KJV)

(Luk 7:20) When the men had come to Him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to You, saying, "Are You the **Coming One**, or do we look for another?" (NKJV) Capitals in original.

Listen to New Ager Alice Bailey:

"Humanity in all lands today awaits the Coming One- no matter what name they may call him..Then shall the Coming One appear...Let death fulfill the purpose of the Coming One." (8)

Notice how some new versions change the cornerstone to the capstone. The pyramid on the back of the one dollar bill has a capstone hovering over a pyramid, symbolic of the coming New World Order.

(1Pe 2:7) Unto you therefore which believe *he is* precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, (KJV).

(1 Pet 2:7) Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, "The stone the builders rejected has become the **capstone**" (NIV)

This author has heard a minister in the Dallas area, Mike Hayes, pastor of Covenant Church, say that the kingdom of God was like a pyramid building up, and in, and Jesus being the capstone.

The Bible proves that a cornerstone is a FOUNDATION, not a capstone:

(Isa 28:16) Therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a tested stone, A costly **cornerstone** *for* **the foundation**, firmly placed. He who believes *in it* will not be disturbed. (KJV)

The King James Version has confession of faults, not sins.

- (Jam 5:16) Confess *your* **faults** one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.
- (Jam 5:16) Therefore, confess your **sins** to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.
- (Jam 5:16) Confess your **trespasses** to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. (NKJV) note points to Nestle/UBS text.
- (Ja 5:16) Therefore confess your **sins** to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. (NIV)

A big part of this verse is omitted in New versions, could it be talking about priests?

- (Mat 23:13) But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in *yourselves*, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in.
- (Mat 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.
- (Mat 23:15) Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves. KJV
- ¹³"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You shut the kingdom of heaven in men's faces. You yourselves do not enter, nor will you let those enter who are trying to.
- ¹⁵"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You travel over land and sea to win a single convert, and when he becomes one, you make him twice as much a son of hell as you are. NIV (entire verse taken out!)
- (1) (Matthew Riddle, *The Story of the Revised New Testament*, Philadelphia: The Sunday School Times Co., 1908, pp. 30,39,83).
- (2) Keil & Delitzsch Old Testament Commentary Isaiah 14:12
- (3) The author of <u>The Polytheism Of The Bible And The Mystery Of Lucifer</u>, F.T. DeAngelis
- (4) www.lucifer.org Church of Lucifer, Rev. Frederick Nagash

- (5) H.P. Blavatsky, Isis Unveiled, Vol II (The Theosophical Publishing House Ltd. Reprint 1923), p. 168
- (6) Anti-Nicene Fathers, Volume 1, pp. 434-35
- (7) Sensuous Spirituality, p. 11
- (8) The Reappearance of the Christ, p. 64, 188. Alice Bailey (New York: Lucis Publishing Company, 1948)

CHAPTER 5: THE PLAIN TRUTH ABOUT WHICH BIBLE TO USE

In the new century, we have multiplicities of Bibles to choose from. We can purchase a full Bible for about \$10, or less, from Wal-Mart. Many families have several translations in their homes. James White, author of *The King James Only Controversy*, recommended on the John Ankerberg television show, that all Christians should use a four translation parallel: The King James, The New American Standard Version, the New International Version, and the New King James Version. He feels that all four are excellent translations, and that a four-way parallel would help the Christian today find the closest approximation to the words God intended us to have today.

The problem with this line of thinking (which SEEMS rational and fair-minded) is that it makes US the arbiter of God's truth, and denies God the glory of keeping His own promise to preserve His Word to a thousand generations. It is a sign of apostasy when "everyone does what is right in his own eyes." If God's plan is to leave it to us to decide what are His Words based on choosing out of a variety of modern translations, and paraphrases, then this means that it really doesn't matter to God to be accurate concerning His Words, but several various translations will suffice. THIS IS A BIG FAT LIE. It contradicts the very words of the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, who said that not one jot or tittle would fail of the law. Surely

this perfection of preservation would continue in the New Testament. It is not just a faith issue, it is a heart issue. If we believe God's promises to save our souls, then we need to believe God's promises to preserve His word perfectly in every language under heaven.

Even if a Christian believes God preserves His Word perfectly, however, another issue arises. Which translation is the perfect Word of God? Is it possible that a better translation than the King James Bible is available? How do we know where to find the words that we will be judged by in the last day?

The answer is twofold. First, Jesus promised that His sheep would hear His voice, and follow him. Second, the disciples of Jesus are truth seekers, and will search out a matter, which is the honor of Kings according to the book of Proverbs. The book of Revelation says that we who are born again are "kings and priests," unto God. True Christians will not be deceived by the Madison Avenue campaign of the new versions which promise superior modern improvements in linguistics, recent discoveries of papyri, and ancient manuscripts. ALL of them are subtly putting down the King James Bible as archaic, difficult to understand, and out of date for the modern Christian. After all, they say, we don't use words like withersoever, howbeit and other old English words. The new versions editors also claim that the King James Bible has mistakes, and flawed manuscripts. Then, after putting down the King James, they tout the superior manuscripts (much older in age than those used by the King James translators), superior knowledge of the true meaning of the Greek, Hebrew and Aramaic originals, as well as superior modern scholarship.

The truth is, any HONEST inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the King James translation, the character of the translators, their knowledge, and holiness will shine so bright compared with ANY modern translation as to be incomparable.

Most translations are done by one person, or a very small committee of paid professionals. Since the money to do this is limited to the amount of money that can be borrowed or raised. A few ventures such as the NASB, NIV, and New King James raised enough capital to get translation committees this writer would estimate at 20 or so, although all are reluctant to publicize their committee list.

In contrast, the King James Version, which is called the Authorized Version because it is the only translation authorized by a King with the full financial resources of a nation at the zenith of world power (Great Britain): a nation at the height of its spiritual character, the height of the English language and scholarship, and with the full nationwide participation of the churches, and universities. THIS CAN'T HAPPEN AGAIN UNLESS ANOTHER NATION FUNDS A SIMILAR RETRANSLATION WITH SIMILAR FINANCIAL, AND INTELLECTUAL RESOURCES.

The New King James translation committee may have been able to do a good job of updating the English of the original King James, but in word choices they absolutely failed in their mission. Their definitions are based on the corrupt Greek lexicons in many places, and match those of the NIV and NASV. The English is harder than that of the King James translation using longer, more difficult words in almost all cases. In this writers' opinion, the New King James translation committee is inadequate to the task of purifying the King James Version, or of being equally pure; it would take the government of America, and all the universities (which are filled with unsaved textual critics and modernism) to equal the time, talent, and treasure spent on producing the King James Bible.

This is not a secondary issue. It may not be a salvation issue, because we are saved by faith, and all translations preach the simple message of salvation. It is vital, however, to choose the true and complete, and pure Word of God because it will affect our walk with God, our doctrine, and our spiritual discernment. Without spiritual discernment, IT MAY BECOME A SALVATION ISSUE.

Jesus said that the deception to come would deceive the very elect, if it were possible. Spiritual children are tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine. People stay spiritual children because they are not strong in the Word of God. They lack discernment because they are not skillful in the Word of God (Hebrews 5:13,14).

Any true Christian would throw away a Bible if ONE WORD was taken away, or added to it. The NIV is 10% shorter than the King James Bible because it is based mainly on the Roman Catholic manuscripts Vaticanus, and Sinaiticus discussed earlier. Either the NIV, and other new versions are the true Word of God, or the King James alone is. The New King James is based on a similar text, but not the same one, and has 2000

places where it differs from the King James. It is your decision, but one that should honor God.

CHAPTER 6: OUT OF EGYPT I HAVE CALLED MY SON

In this chapter, we will examine the evidence that the Egyptian manuscripts Vaticanus, and Sinaiticus, which were discovered in the 1850s, were not the word of God. Jesus is the Word made flesh. The written Word, therefore ,will manifest the same traits as the Word made flesh. For instance, Jesus is beautiful, pure, holy, separate from sinners, masculine, and powerful. The written Word is also these things. God called Jesus out of Egypt; in fact, nothing good every came from Egypt, but Egypt is a type of the world, with its corruptions, and confusions.

Look at these verses proving that Egypt is synonymous with rebellion, confusion and shame:

- (Isa 30:3) Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt *your* confusion.
- (Exo 13:3) And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand the LORD brought you out from this *place*: there shall no leavened bread be eaten.
- (Exo 20:2) I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
- (Isa 20:4) So shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with *their* buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt.

Egypt is the house of bondage, deception, corruption, and famine. Israel in the last days is spiritually called Sodom, and Egypt, because she has gone over to Satan, and become corrupt, and worldly.

The church of Jesus Christ will also experience sin, bondage, deception, and weakness spiritually, because she has gone down to Egypt for help in deciding what God has said to His people.

(Isa 31:1) Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because *they are* many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the LORD!

One thing is certain, God would not preserve his Word by hiding it in Egypt in the sands. He would not use compromising Alexandrian philosophers to corrupt His Word, and then somehow approve of that corruption as the Word of God. Nor would He make mere mortal man the arbiter of His truth by our own understanding of dead, ancient languages. He would do it by assembling the best of English translators who reverenced His Words, and who would take as much care as the ancient scribes, who would destroy an entire page of work if there was any mistake.

The deception that the oldest manuscripts are closer to the originals and, therefore, more accurate, has been bought by almost all seminary trained scholars. The true manuscripts are not around anymore because they were used up, and copied by the true church. Even so, there are thousands of manuscripts today, and 90 percent, or more, agree with those used by the King James translators. The oldest manuscripts are from Egypt because they were buried in the sands, and did not decay because they were rejected by the aggregate body of Christ. When they were discovered in the late 1800s, they were thought to be accurate because they were the oldest; some scholars believed that the longer readings of the King James translators were added by a heretic named Lucian in the second century. There is no proof of this other than the assumption that the oldest manuscripts must be the originals, and therefore the newer manuscripts were corrupted. This simple deception is the reason behind the almost universal acceptance of the new versions based on these manuscripts. Satan is going to replace the Bible totally, but he is doing it by degrees, instead of all at once. The effect of the new Bibles can be seen by the weak state of the Church, and the spread of heresy, and sin, all over the world. God has placed His stamp of approval on the King James Version evidenced by the many world-wide revivals that have occurred when this Bible alone was used, and exalted by preachers, and the church members at home in daily reading and memorization.

Memorization of scripture is almost now a lost art. This writer wasted years attempting to memorize different versions for different verses, whatever spoke something interesting, or was deemed to be worthy. The King James Version is easier to memorize because it uses simple words with cognitive scaffolding built in, as well as a supernatural flow of meter, and

repetition built in. Millions have learned to read, and write well, simply using the King James Bible as their only instructor.

CHAPTER 7: WHAT ABOUT THE ERRORS IN THE KING JAMES VERSION?

Many have pointed out that the King James Bible has errors in translation. Let us examine some of these.

First, in Acts 12:4, the King James translators translated the Greek word Pascha, which means Passover as "Easter." Was this a mistake?

No, in fact it would be a mistake to translate this Passover because the context speaks of being "in the days of unleavened bread". The 7 days of unleavened bread always happen after the Passover.

(Ezr 6:19) And the children of the captivity kept the passover upon the fourteenth *day* of the first month.

(Ezr 6:20) For the priests and the Levites were purified together, all of them *were* pure, and killed the passover for all the children of the captivity, and for their brethren the priests, and for themselves.

(Ezr 6:21) And the children of Israel, which were come again out of captivity, and all such as had separated themselves unto them from the filthiness of the heathen of the land, to seek the LORD God of Israel, did eat,

(Ezr 6:22) And kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with joy: for the LORD had made them joyful, and turned the heart of the king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands in the work of the house of God, the God of Israel.

The feast of Passover was one night, not seven, or eight. The seven days of unleavened bread were not part of the Passover. Herod was a pagan, who celebrated Easter, which would happen a few days after the feast of unleavened bread. The King James translators knew their history, and how to translate in context, and in harmony with the rest of the scriptures. Sometimes a word for word translation is wrong and here is a case.

On page 25 of James White's *The King James Only Controversy*, He shows a mistake in both the New King James Version and the New

American Standard Bible. The literal Hebrew is "days," but to match the rest of the Bible, it must be "years".

(Amo 4:4) Come to Bethel, and transgress; at Gilgal multiply transgression; and bring your sacrifices every morning, *and* your tithes after three years:

The third year after the sabbatical year is the year of tithes. Here, the King James translates correctly to line up with the Bible.

Here is another so called mistake.

Numbers 25:9 says that 24,000 people died in a plague, but 1 Corinthians 10:8 says that only 23,000 died. Read 1 Corinthians 10:8 again, and notice that 23,000 fell "in one day". The 24,000 died altogether in a few days.

Many of the so called errors in the King James Bible are the differences in the text between the Received Text and the corrupt Alexandrian texts. I John 5:7 is supposed to be a mistake as written in the King James Bible because it is not found in most Greek manuscripts. This is an important verse that has been accepted by the aggregate Body of Christ throughout the church age. Vaticanus is missing the entire book of Revelation, does that mean we should scrap that book?

The fact is, that no mistake has been found in the King James Version other than spelling or type-setting errors due to the difficult fact of printing in the years after 1611 AD. The King James Bible we have today is substantially the same as the one completed in 1611. So far, no one has been able to update the King James into modern English without diminishing its power, or adding corruptions. There are few words one would have to look up in a dictionary to find the meaning in 1611, but God wants us to be students of His Word, and spend some time investigating it. As it stands, the King James Bible is trustworthy, and is God's perfectly preserved Word, in fulfillment of Bible prophecy.

CHAPTER 8: THE KING JAMES CONTROVERSY CAUSES DIVISION – IS IT WORTH IT?

There is no doubt that the King James controversy has caused division in the body of Christ. The question is, is the division over the King James worth dividing the body of Christ?

Martin Luther struggled with this very same issue. He tried in vain to get the Roman Catholic authorities of his day to repent, and go back to the Bible concerning salvation by faith, and not by works. He tried to find a way to remain in the Catholic Church, and reform it from within. Anyone who has read the history, and works of Luther knows that the last thing he wanted was to lead a rebellion against the established Church and social order of his day.

Luther was forced, by the stubbornness of the church leaders of his day, and by his own conscience, which was held captive by the Word of God, to make a clean break from Rome. He still retained infant baptism, and a few other things that are not biblical, but, by and large, his break from Rome was complete, and severe.

Today, the battle for the truth is still raging. How many non-apostate Protestants would wish today that Luther had compromised with Rome? Of course, it was worth it. Some things are worth dividing over. The argument in the case of the King James is a straw man. It is the new versions that have caused the division in the church. Up until 1880, the English speaking Church almost universally accepted, and used the King James Version with great worldwide revivals led by Wesley, Jonathan Edwards, and D.L. Moody, as well as many others.

What has been the fruit of the versions begun in 1881 with the English Revised Version (using the corrupt text of Westcott and Hort) right up to the hundreds of paraphrases, ebonic versions, children's versions, etc, etc.? What was once the revered Word of God has become the version of the month club. How many churches can be found anymore that all use the same version? What has happened is that a new tower of Babel has been built with everyone reading the version that speaks to them. Since 1880, the

world has had two world wars, sin has abounded, and the general decline of the Protestant church has been steady, even though we have spent billions on marketing, and distributing new easy to read versions; we have not reaped a harvest of righteousness. Souls have been won using the new versions, and this is because they contain enough of the Word of God to save a soul. Yet, this does not put God's stamp of approval on it. God used Samson, and others with sin in their lives because there was no one else to do it at the time, but God does not approve of sin or compromise.

We have Laodicean temples holding 50,000 people with a nice positive message being preached by false pastors who care only about numbers and money. Almost all of them use one or many of the new versions, few if any preach only from the King James Version, or take a stand on it.

Division over the truth is both right, and necessary. If there is a new King James Version that uses the same text of the King James and has updated the English into modern words, what is wrong with using that? The problem is that the New King James did not follow the Textus Receptus in every word, but used other variants several thousand times. They made the English more difficult because of the derivative copyright law that requires substantial changes. This writer would be impressed with a group of men of godly character who raised enough money from the church to fund a translation WITHOUT A COPYRIGHT, who used simple words to correct the old words of the English in the King James, and did not change anything else. The problem with this is the money factor, and the almost universal acceptance of higher criticism make people tinker with the text, and the words. DIMINISH NOT A WORD, is the command of God. This writer has looked at some of the "archaic" words in the King James and can't find any modern words that express the meaning any better than the old ones. It would not hurt a student of God to learn a few old words like concupiscense, lasciviousness, shamefacedness, or, propitiation.

If there was one verse missing, even one word missing, from a corrupt manuscript in any Bible, this writer would not use it. The entire argument falls on this one point. If God has preserved His word for this generation, the He preserved it without error, or we do not have the Word of God, which is perfect. I don't want a book that "contains" the Word of God, or one that requires me to rely on modern scholars to tell me which Greek text to follow, and what is the modern meaning of each Greek word in context.

We have a new priesthood of arrogant, man-taught Greek and Hebrew scholars who believe that the uneducated, and untrained masses cannot understand, or interpret, for themselves. This is the same spirit behind the Roman Catholic hierarchy that dominates and controls the "laity," and keeps millions from a true salvation by a labyrinth of sacraments, and obscure practices.

The meaning of the word "occult," is to hide something, or partially obscure something. The occult is not just dabbling in magic, or voodoo. It is hiding the truth behind a smokescreen of complex religious dogmas, or removing, or changing part of the truth, or to diminish the bright, and shining truth with murky clouds of man's additions.

The time has come for the true church of Jesus Christ to unite behind the only English translation with power, authority, beauty, and absolute accuracy; one that has been tested in missionary fields in the remotest parts of the earth, and has brought light, undiminished light, to the world. There will be no more real revival unless this happens. We also need a revival of scripture memory of King James verses, which will be a powerful weapon, and a force of true unity.

CHAPTER 9: JEHOVAH VS YAWEH

The King James Version of the Bible is one of the few translations that uses the name Jehovah as the name of God.

(Exo 6:3) And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by *the name of* God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.

(Psa 83:18) That they may know that You alone, whose name is the LORD, Are the Most High over all the earth. (This is the NASB)

(Psa 83:18) That *men* may know that thou, whose name alone *is* JEHOVAH, *art* the most high over all the earth. (This is the King James)

The modern versions are replacing the name Jehovah with "Lord". Lord is not a name but a title, like God, Father, etc. God wants us to remember His Name and use it. It DIMINISHES the power and intent of the

Word of God to replace the personal name of God with a generic title, but this is what most of the new versions have done. This replacing of the name of God for a generic title did not even begin with the first revisions of 1881, and the American Standard Version. It began, with a few exceptions, with the modern versions after 1960, beginning with the New American Standard Bible.

Jeremiah wrote about the fact that false prophets and dreamers were causing God's people to FORGET HIS NAME.

(Jer 23:27) Which think to **cause my people to forget my name** by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, as their **fathers have forgotten my name for Baal.**

What happens when God's people cease to use His name in prayer, and worship, is that they forget His name, and ultimately forget his name for some other God. The generic "Lord" of many of the new versions is more acceptable to a world religion where a generic deity is worshipped, and all references to a specific name is taken away. This is why the new versions are considered to be part of a New Age conspiracy. A conspiracy to bring in a New Age of religious unity worshipping a generic God called "The One," and "The Name". Baal was also a generic name for the pagan god worshipped by the heathen. It is a biblical principle that forgetting the name of Jehovah leads to apostasy.

Some scholars believe that the pronunciation "Jehovah" is a recent development.

Jehovah" is generally held to have been the invention of Pope Leo X.'s confessor, Peter Galatin ("De Arcanis Catholicæ Veritatis," 1518, folio xliii.), who was followed in the use of this hybrid form by Fagius (= Büchlein, 1504-49). Drusius (= Van der Driesche, 1550-1616) was the first to ascribe to Peter Galatin the use of "Jehovah," and this view has been taken since his days (comp. Hastings, "Dict. Bible," ii. 199, s.v. "God"; Gesenius-Buhl, "Handwörterb." 1899, p. 311; see Drusius on the tetragrammaton in his "Critici Sacri, i. 2, col. 344). But it seems that even before Galatin the name "Jehovah" had been in common use (see Drusius, *l.c.* notes to col. 351). It is found in Raymond Martin's "Pugio Fidei." written in 1270 (Paris, 1651, iii., pt. ii., ch. 3, p. 448; comp. T. Prat in "Dictionnaire de la Bible," s.v.) 1.

If this is the case, the King James translators made a mistake. It would not be a perfect Bible and this would open up the door to question the entire translation for other errors.

Modern scholars prefer the name pronounced as "Yahweh" yet this is also a recent thing.

The German rationalist Heinrich Ewald (1803-1875) was the first to popularize the form *Jahve*, followed by the eminent E. W. Hengstenberg (1802-1869) promoting *Jahveh*.2

In the NT, the Lord Jesus Christ claimed the perfectly intact Hebrew OT Words (Mt. 4:4), the preservation of the consonants and vowels of Hebrew Words (Mt. 5:18), and the perfect preservation of all of His canonical words including the NT Words (Mt. 24:35). The Scriptures also teach the respective agencies which God promised to use for His preservation process. For the OT Scriptures, His agency was the Jewish nation (Rom. 3:2) and for the NT Scriptures, He promised to use the pillar and ground of the truth--the NT churches (I Tim. 3:15). In fact, bound up in the great Commission is the requirement of the churches to observe or guard His canonical Words (Mt. 28:19-20). The Lord's people, in their respective agencies, have the sole responsibility to preserve the Words of the Lord Jesus Christ for their generation and those that follow.

The first English transcription of the Tetragrammaton appeared on the title page of William Tyndale's translation of 1525 as "IEHOUAH." Subsequent translations into English, including Miles Coverdale's (1535), the Great Bible (1539), The Geneva Bible (1560), the Bishop's Bible (1568), and the Authorized Version of 1611, also used IEHOUAH in several places, while most translations substitute the title THE LORD in place of the Tetragrammaton. Some argue that this practice reflects the Jewish tradition that it is forbidden to say the name of God. Many modern Christian translations of the Bible continue to use THE LORD (in small caps); some notable exceptions are American Standard Version (1901) which used Jehovah throughout the text, the New World Translation (1950) which used "Jehovah" extensively, and The Jerusalem Bible (1966) which used Yahweh similarly.

It is likely that Tyndale's *IEHOUAH* comes from an interlace of YHWH and the vowels of Adonai as explained above, but it is difficult to substantiate this claim since we do not know which codex he used for his translation. The King James Version's *IEHOUAH* was definitely influenced by the Ben Chayim codex, which was the source used for the translation. The spelling *Jehovah* appeared first during the <u>1762-1769</u> editing of the King James Bible. Hence there is a certain basis to the claim that the transcription Jehovah is nothing but a misunderstanding by Christian translators of Jewish reading traditions. <u>As of 2005</u>, this is still the most common spelling of the Tetragrammaton in English.

In contrast, there are various arguments why Jehovah actually is the original pronunciation. For example, other transcribed names in the Bible containing portions of the name such as: *Jeho*-ram and *Jeho*-shaphat give linguistic support of this transcription. This point of view is occasionally associated with believers in the "King James Version Only" point of view. Recently Gerhard Gertoux advanced the pronunciation Yehowah and has gained a certain following.3

There is a theory that the name *Yahweh* is a lengthened form of *Yahu* or *Yaw*, a god whose cult pervaded the ancient Near East in early Jewish times and may have originated from the <u>Hurrians</u>

The pronunciation of the Tetragrammaton as "Yahweh" came from Greek Gnostics especially Clement of Alexandria. The New Catholic Encyclopedia says that "yahweh" is the correct translation of the sacred name as it comes from the Greek word translated from the Hebrew in the Septuagint. Clement got the Greek word iaovai, from a transliteration of the Samaritan word Jabe. German scholars translated this Javhe. The Yiddish name Yahweh developed from the German. 4

The Samaritans come from the ancient Amorites (destroyed by God for idolatry and sin). The God of the Amorites was "Yawi" also spelled Yahweh. THIS WAS ALSO ONE OF THE MANY NAMES FOR NIMROD.

Nimrod was worshipped by the ancient Amorites as Yawi and Nimrod's wife Semiramus was worshipped as Mari (later known as the Virgin Mary). Horus, her son, whom she claimed was Nimrod reborn, was called Jahi.

Look at this evidence that "Yahweh" is the name of the Canaanite god Yahoo.

Yw or Yawu is given as the original name of Yam in the Myth of Ba`al from Ugarit, and is probably the same as **Ieuo** in Philo of Byblos' *Phoenician History*. He is possibly to be identified with **Yahweh**. Coincidentally, a likely pronunciation of Yod-Heh-Vau-Heh really is Yahuh (Yahoo!). The name of this deity was used in theophoric personal names in a number of Canaanite cities and continues in use in Isra'el today - as in "Natanyahu"5

There is a link between "Yahweh" and "Baal". Is it possible that the forgetting of God's true name Jehovah has literally fulfilled the scripture in Jeremiah that they FORGET MY NAME FOR BAAL. The very false name "Yahweh" accepted by the Roman Catholics, and apostate so-called scholars, is in fact Baal himself! Look at this question and answer available from pagans on the internet:

Isn't Yahweh/YHWH just another Name for Baal? Although as Yahweh developed, He certainly absorbed the attributes of many surrounding Gods (not unusual at all, really), that doesn't in and of itself explain Yahweh's origins. My studies have shown me that Yahweh was most intimately connected to Baal Hadad - which hardly proves that the two are one and the same, or at least directly connected - but it is suggestive to me. I wonder if "Yahweh" might not have simply been an epithet (or descended therefrom) of Hadad Himself...

I do not believe that Yahwuh is "just" another name for Ba'al. Yahwuh appears to be a combination of 'El and Ba'al (and possibly some other gods). His description reflects aspects of both El and Ba'al, not to mention the **Ugaritic Yaw, a chaotic sea god**, who may be the Phoenician god Ieuo.

Although there is a passage in the Hebrew corpus which says, "Yahwuh is my Ba'al," it does not indicate a one-to-one correspondence between the two deities, since "ba'al" in both Canaanite and Hebrew, besides being a deity name, basically means "master."

The name or title "'El," which means simply "God," is familiar as a "name" of the single god of the Torah/ Bible. Although we have no Canaanite creation myth, his epithets indicate that 'El, like Yahwuh, is the

prime creator god of the pantheon. 'El is also the king, as is Yahwuh, and he is head of the divine assembly, the council of the gods, who may well be the Hebrew 'Elohim. He is described as an old bearded man and, in most stories we have, he is seated in his hall up on his mountain - between the two rivers which are the source of the world oceans. The generally accepted idea of Yahwuh is an old bearded man, although, of course, at the mystic level, the Ultimate Divine does not have human form.

Ba'al, on the other hand, is not the King, although he is identified as a ruler, while 'El and Yahwuh are kings. Among Ba'al's epithets:

- Most High/ Mightiest/ Most Powerful Master al'iyanu ba'alu (variously transliterated as 'Aleyin/ 'Aliyan/ 'Elioun/ 'Eleyin)
- Mightiest of or Conqueror of Warriors 'al'iyu qarradima
- Warrior dmrn (damaron), Demarous (Greek)
- Prince, Master of the Earth zubulu/zebul ba'alu 'aretsi (compare with the Qabalistic phrase Melek ha 'Aretz)
- Pidar, uncertain meaning, possibly Bright or Flash, relating to his control of lightning
- Rider on the (Storm)Clouds rakibu 'arpati/ rakab arpat (gee, maybe Jim Morrison was onto something . . .)
- Thunderer re'amim, rimmon (is this a pun on the word for pomegranate?)

Ba'al is the Canaanite and Phoenician god most actively worshipped, source of the rains and mists which nourish the crops. Therefore he is considered responsible for fertility, particularly of the Earth, for the growth of vegetation, and for the maintenance of life. He cares for the multitudes, the masses of humanity. While the word "ba'al" means simply "master" or "owner," he is considered a prince. Ba'al is a dynamic, executive force. He is often depicted striding forward (not seated like El), wearing a horned helmet and short wrap kilt of a warrior (whereas El wears a long robe), and carrying a mace and spear or lightning-bolt staff. Remnants of his worship remain in the Jewish prayerbook, when in late spring there is a prayer for dew, and in late fall, a prayer for rain.

Yawi is attested as a personal name in some older Canaanite cities east of Ugarit. Additionally, there is a reference in the Myths from Ugarit to Yah/Yaw/Yawu being the original name of Yam the Ocean who, among other things, represents uncontrollable destructive winter storms, especially on the

sea. The reference is a singular one at Ugarit, but later Phoenician sources refer to a god named Iahu, Iaio, Ieuo (in Philo of Byblos' "Phoenician History"), also mentioned in some other writings, and some scholars think this indicates a relationship with Yahwuh. **Perhaps YHWH is really a deity of the INTERNET since a likely pronunciation is "Yahoo**".6

Gail Riplinger in her book about the majesty of the King James also documents this modern apostate name for God "Yahweh" as coming from the Canaanite fertility god, Yahoo. The Jews, by trying to avoid naming the name of God for fear of being punished for blasphemy, forgot the true name of God, and ended up worshipping, and naming the name of Baal, Yahoo. We can trust that the King James translators were both wise and guided by the Holy Spirit.

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CHAPTER TEN: MISTAKES REFUTED

James White, author of *The King James Only Controversy*, points out OBVIOUS mistakes in the Kings James Bible. Let us examine this evidence.

"Mistake" 1:

(Mar 6:20) For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.

White believes that the word in Greek translated as "observed" should be translated "to protect" as in the NASV. He says the Greek word does not mean "to observe." How does he know this? Because of a Greek Lexicon written by apostates? White does not even know what he is talking about. In fact, the Webster's definition of observed is in addition to "noticed by the eye or mind" is "kept religiously; celebrated, practiced." According to Strong's Concordance,

suntereo means "mentally to remember" – exactly what the English word "observed" means. Certainly Herod did NOT protect John the Baptist as shown later on.

"Mistake" 2:

(Mar 9:18) And wheresoever he taketh him, he teareth him: and he foameth, and gnasheth with his teeth, and pineth away: and I spake to thy disciples that they should cast him out; and they could not.

White says that the Greek word translated "pineth away" here is a mistake. It should be translated "stiffens out" (NASB) or "become rigid" (NIV). The Greek word is "xeraino," which means "to dessicate, or shrivel." Even Thayer's Greek Lexicon says the same. Perhaps the Greek in the NIV or NASV is different, but his word is translated correctly, there is no mistake here.

"Mistake" 3:

(Luk 18:12) I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

White says that the Greek word translated "possess" should be translated "get." The Greek word is ktaomai, "to get" or "to possess." The argument here is that the Pharisee tithes only of the INCREASE, not his possessions, so the word is translated incorrectly. Albert Barnes, Bible commentator says that it could either mean all possessions or only the increase. To translate this word possess is not wrong, for the Pharisee's possessions have all been tithed upon at one time or another. This is not a mistake, and the attempt of White to strain a gnat here is indicative of the lack of any real mistakes in the King James Bible.

"Mistake" 4:

(Act 5:30) The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.

White says that the word "and" should be translated "by" since Jesus was killed by the cross and not killed first, then hung on the cross. First, how does White know that Jesus was killed by the cross? Jesus was actually killed by the cross? He was killed by a Roman soldier by a spear through his heart. This is what John wrote in

Revelation, "whom ye pierced." This is certainly not a mistake and again a Pharisaical straining at gnats.

"Mistake" 5:

(Heb 10:23) Let us hold fast the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for he *is* faithful that promised;)

White says that the Greek word translated "faith" here should be translated hope as it is every place else in the King James. This is not a mistake, since the KJ translators know what this word means. It actually means "anticipation," which could either mean faith, hope, anticipation. This is not a mistake, but actually a better translation than hope in this verse because we profess our faith, not our hope. Jamieson, Fausset, Brown commentary says this, "(hope) which is indeed faith exercised as the future inheritance. Hope rests on faith, and at the same time quickens faith, and is the ground of our bold confession."

"Mistake" 6:

(Isa 65:11) But ye *are* they that forsake the LORD, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for that troop, and that furnish the drink offering unto that number.

White says that the Hebrew words translated "that troop" and "unto that number" are actually names of false gods "Gad" and "Meni" as translated in the New King James Version. Actually, the history of these demon gods is unclear. This is not a mistake, but a conservative or literal translation of these words, rather than making them the name of some demon gods worshipped. Many times the Jews would set a table for more than one demon god, a "troop" of gods and a "number" of gods. The translation may actually be superior to those, like the NKJV, that actually names the gods.

CHAPTER ELEVEN: BACK TO BASICS

This writer wishes that the Church, the body of Christ, will be the pure Bride of Christ. Christ washes His Bride with the Word of God, and if that Word is corrupted in any way it must eventually reflect on the health of the Church.

In 30 years of studying the Bible, this writer has come to the conclusion that all modern versions of the Bible stunt real spiritual growth, and discernment. The very Bible that is being corrupted will fulfill Bible prophecy, but I believe that God is calling a remnant of true Christians to return to the old standards of the Bible. We live in a day when the average Christian is bombarded with mental persecution such has never been seen in history. We must keep our minds stayed on God (Isaiah 26:3), or we will be consumed by the torrent of filth coming through the media. Christ does wash the Church, but the Church must cleanse herself of all filthiness of the flesh, and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. (2 Corinthians 7:1)

If we as individuals do not have the sharpest sword, the purest water, to be washed in, we will not be ready for the return of our Lord, and Savior, Jesus Christ. I encourage those who can still hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to the churches in these last days, to choose wisely what weapons they use in the battles we must all face in the days ahead.

I have seen the ignorant become wise, and learned men, through reading the King James Bible. I have seen discernment increase, and deceptions broken, through reading and memorizing the King James Bible. May this little book help those who are willing to hear the truth find that God has provided a perfect reflection of His message to the English speaking people in this translation. A translation done by good men, highly educated men, at the time of the zenith of the beautiful English language.