



DON'T TAKE ANY WOODEN NICKELS

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Many years ago a young girl sat in church school Bible class, clutching a stack of memory verse cards, listening to the teacher warning the class that they should treasure up in their minds the words of the Bible because someday Satan would try to take away our Bibles from us. He warned of New Bibles being brought out that were based on false manuscripts corrupted by pagan and papal error, and designed to bring in the One World Religion that would soon persecute God's true church!

When we saw these counterfeit Bibles we were to reject them, we were to cling to the time honored foundation of the Advent faith, the Authorized version, because the false Bibles would prove pitfalls to our feet, leading to confusion and loss of faith. The same message came also from Godly Sabbath-school teachers and from the pulpit.

Now this same girl sees her church saturated with the dangerous counterfeit Bibles and those who treasure the pure Word ridiculed and considered ignorant and backward! WHY?

If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do? Psa.11.3

'YEAH HATH GOD SAID?'

After the time of the Apostles, the Holy scriptures were carried rapidly throughout the world from the center of Antioch. Before the time of Jesus there existed a false school in Alexandria under a Jew named Philo who sought to combine Judaism with Greek philosophy. It was there that the corrupt Old Testament manuscript, the Septuagint, was produced which confused many so they did not recognize the Messiah when He appeared. From this school also arose false teachers such as Clement and Origen who produced corrupt New Testament manuscripts combining Greek philosophy and their own personal views. These men followed Plato. They did not believe in the inspiration of

the scriptures and felt they were free to change whatever they wished according to their own scholarship! **From hence came the corrupt MS. from which Jerome's Catholic Latin Vulgate later was drawn—The Codex Vaticanus and the Codex Siniaticus. E. G. White states this version had "many errors".**

From the center at Antioch, the Word of God, selected under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, streamed out into the world. **This pure text was translated early into many languages and became known as the "Textus Receptus" or Received Text.** The Waldenses had it, and other primitive Christians. Where ever it went, light and truth and hope sprang up in the hearts of believers. Once the leaders had the Received Text, the reformation became unstoppable! Wherever the corrupt Alexandrian text went there followed confusion. God is not the author of confusion.

*"The Jesuits' task was to entice Protestant scholarship back to Rome. **They knew that they could not wean the leaders of Protestantism back to Rome as long as the stubborn "heretics" clung to the pure text of the Reformers.** This Bible would have to be replaced with one which contained the pro-Roman Catholic readings of Jerome's Vulgate and the Jesuit translation of 1582. **It would be necessary to "educate" the Protestant scholars to believe that their Reformation Text was unreliable and that their Authorized Version was "not scholarly".** Once thus programmed, the egotistical scholars would spontaneously attack their own Bible and believe that they were helping God!!!" pg. 98-99 Understandable History of the Bible: S.C. Gipp*

'Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of Thy righteous judgments endureth for ever' Psalm 119:160

God protected His Word! look at the fruits—wherever the Received Text went came light and power—The common man heard it gladly and it changed his life and set him free in Jesus. Where ever the Alexandrian text went it brought confusion and enslavement to the Papacy!

The foundation of our faith was laid on the firm foundation of the Majority Text—confirmed by the blood of martyrs!

THE MEN:

Who were the men who were involved with the production of the 'Revised Version'?

Professors Wescott and Hort who produced the 'New Greek Text' based on the corrupt Alexandrian manuscripts the Siniaticus and the Vaticanus, were, like the scholars who originated these imposters, great believers in Greek mythology and philosophy. They leaned strongly to Rome and later joined her. They espoused Mariolatry, as well as evolution, socialism, spiritualism, (Wescott formed a psychic society known as the Ghostly Guild) as well as believing in purgatory while denying the inspiration and truth of the scriptures, salvation by grace, conversion, a literal heaven and so on. These men

are venerated as spiritual giants and yet they themselves had no respect for the Word of God they meddled with—and preferred to read Plato!

Like their spiritual fathers, Origen and Clement, they saw no problem with harmonizing the Word of God with Greek philosophy and pagan and papal doctrines and these have become woven into all the new versions put out since their time including NIV, NKJV, NASV, and so on.

We have all heard of the so called 'inferior scholarship' of the King James translators—the facts are that the chairman of the Old Testament committee at Cambridge was reading and writing Hebrew at age 6 and at 15 was already a student in Cambridge where he was renowned for corresponding with his superiors in Greek! Academically and in worthiness of life there are no twentieth century scholars today who could shine the shoes of the men of those committees!

EASIER TO READ??

What of the propaganda we keep hearing about the new versions being easier to understand? It was a fact that the translators followed Wescott and Horts rule that if there was disagreement in which manuscript to choose from they were always to choose the more complex wording!

Then what about—"They are easier for the young people to understand".

The Flesch-Kincaid research grade level indicator rated the KJV easier in 23 out of 26 comparisons! Average grade level—5.8 NIV-8.4; NASB-6.1; TEV-7.2; NKJV-6.91.

Facts are stubborn things!

Why is KJV easier?— Because it uses 1 or 2 syllable words while new versions use complex multi-syllable words and phrases. What KJV says in 72 syllables in a selection of verses NASB takes 214!

Many of the NKJV words are much more obscure than the KJV. ie. Syrtis sands?? What on earth is that? KJV says quicksand. The readability advertised for NIV is a falsehood. When trying to meditate on or memorize the Bible, one becomes entangled in a maze of multi-syllabic "cerebral" sounding sentences.

And what Mom would want her child to say this 'memory verse' from The Living Bible? "You son of a bitch" 1 Samuel 20:30 or, "You illegitimate bastard" John 9:34 No, you are not seeing things, that kind of language is in some modern translations!

WOMEN'S RIGHTS?

In the Greek culture, which spawned the corrupt manuscripts that the New Greek MSS. of the modern versions are based on, Plato's 'women are slaves' philosophy altered the

then radical New Testament documents that "preach deliverance to the captives" (Luke 4) Dozens of verses that in the KJV say 'children,' or 'ye', are rendered 'sons' or 'men' in the new versions! And in the NIV Heb.11:11 makes a change not found in any original MS, crediting Sara's faith only to Abraham! KJV; *"Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised."*

NIV; "By faith Abraham even though he was past age—and Sara herself was barren—was enabled to become a father because he considered him faithful who had made the promise."

Want a Bible that 'liberates' women? Look back to the KJV!

'Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud: for the Lord hath spoken...But if ye will not hear it, my soul shall weep in secret places for your pride; and mine eye shall weep sore, and run down with tears, because the Lord's flock is carried away captive. Jeremiah 13:15,17

'THEES AND THOUS

Realize that the 'Thees and Thous' are not 1611 English, but Bible language. At the time of the translation, these singular forms had already been replaced in conversation by 'you'. The glaring difference between the style of the KJV's preface and text reveals that, "Its style is that of the Hebrew and New Testament Greek". Replacing thee, thou, thy and ye with you and your does not convey the significant spiritual distinction between the singular (Thee, thou, thy) and the plural, ye. (eg. Matthew 16:13-20)

God wrote a world-class book, not a nineteen-nineties novelty. The language of the KJV was carried from continent to continent for 400 years as the British Empire colonized the globe. The British presence, power, and cultural pull, on the New, Far and Middle East, Africa, India, Australia, Canada, Russia, etc. has carried Anglistics to centuries of students. pg 210, New Age Versions.

'YEAH HATH GOD SAID?'

The first words spoken by the serpent to Eve have come echoing down the ages to us today in the form of so called 'scientific bible scholarship' and 'higher textual criticism' causing anyone who delves into these 'New Versions' to soon find himself repeating the serpents question, "Yeah, hath God said?"

One is advised that Mark 16:9-20 should be discarded because it is not found in the "best" manuscripts—But when the truth is known, the actual evidence confirms its mysterious presence in 618 manuscripts while it is missing in only 2—the Vaticanus and Siniaticus! And in one of these there is evidence it was removed.

(Greetings. In one of your online articles, you stated that Mark 16:9-20 is in 618 manuscripts, and absent from two. However, that statement is based on an observation made by John Burgon back in the 1800's. Since the time Dean Burgon wrote, many more manuscripts have been discovered and catalogued. The actual number of Greek manuscripts which contain Mark 16:9-20 is above 1,500.)

With the 4th century codices Vaticanus and Siniaticus being recommended as the two most reliable MS. worthy of supplanting the time honored Textus Receptus, one is amazed at the facts of their defective character which reveal their disagreement with each other in over 3,000 places in the Gospels alone!



We hope you like our Bible

AN OPEN LETTER;

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter to you in the hope that you are the kind of person who, before making up your mind on an important issue, tries to make an honest effort to carefully examine all sides of that issue.

If you are a Christian the issue of which Bible is the Word of God should be very important to you. You should want to know if the Bible you are reading and studying can be trusted as the TRUE Revelation of God and if you can rely on It to be free from all error. I would think that any sincere person would want to know if any Bible can be trusted to be the TRUE WORD OF GOD.

The issue of which Bible, if any, constitutes the Word of God is a very controversial subject. Personal Bias and Prejudice are very difficult to set aside, especially when a person's religion or personal belief is involved. However, I believe that the TRUTH can always stand an open inquiry and that no one should be afraid to have their beliefs examined unless they are unsure of what they believe.

I first became acquainted with this controversial subject (Which Bible?) in 1969, and have spent hundreds of hours in study and research through more than 50 books and many booklets and pamphlets. This issue is not only very controversial it is also somewhat confusing since the subject of the History of the Transmission of the Text of

the Bible cannot not be taught in the "Public" i.e. Government Schools, and is not taught in most of the churches in the United States today. Ignorance may be "bliss" for some people, but I would think that any thinking, reasonable person who is honest and sincere would want to know if there is present in the world today—a physical copy (a Book you can hold in your hands)—of God's Revelation to man. I would also think that it would be good to know if that Book (the Bible) is Pure, Holy and without admixture of error.

If you are unfamiliar with the Bible; If you do not know much about Church History; If you have never studied the History of the Transmission of the Text of the Bible; If you are not familiar with the so-called "science" of Textual Criticism; If you have never examined, weighed and carefully investigated New Testament Manuscript evidence; and if you have never made a comparative study of Bible Translations, You may be a target for misinformation, propaganda, deception and lies. Be extra "Careful" about what you accept as TRUTH! Take the time to "Check Out" everything you hear or read. And "Make Sure" of the PEOPLE (teachers, professors, friends, relatives and loved ones) and the INSTITUTIONS (schools; colleges; universities; "christian" or not; churches; fellowships etc.) that you put your trust in.

Let's clear the air of any misconceptions that may cloud this issue. The following FACTS are significant and irrefutable:

1. ALL of the ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPTS to the Bible are LOST!
2. The Major Battle over which WORDS "belong" in the Bible has taken place in the New Testament Text. (As opposed to the Old Testament)
3. The Major Battle over which MANUSCRIPTS are to be "trusted" has taken place over the known New Testament Manuscripts. (As opposed to the known Old Testament Manuscripts)
4. From 100 A.D. to 1611 A.D. There were fewer than ten (10) complete Bibles in English.
5. From A.D. 1611—first printing of the AUTHORIZED VERSION [A.V.] (Now known as - The King James Bible)—until 1881 a few new translations were made, usually by individuals unhappy with the A.V. 1611, and without any success.
6. From 1881 to the present day—NEARLY ONE (1) NEW TRANSLATION PER YEAR has come off the presses, again without much lasting success.
7. Nearly all the "new" Translations are based on just a FEW, A VERY FEW MANUSCRIPTS: (Vaticanus & Sinaiticus—Primary "Authorities")
8. The many GREEK TEXTS for the "new" Translations are different from the GREEK TEXT of the A.V. 1611 in over 5000 places!

9. ALL the GREEK TEXTS for the "new" Translations are derived from and modeled after the Westcott and Hort GREEK TEXT.

10. The vast majority of the "Textual Critics" and "Biblical Scholars" subscribe, at least in part, to the complex Westcott and Hort Textual "THEORY".

11. Most of the "critics" and "scholars" embrace Griesbach's elaborate Manuscript FAMILIES "HYPOTHESIS".

12. Most of the "new" Translations DIFFER from the A.V. 1611 in as many as 5000 places in the New Testament alone!

13. ALL The "new" Translations are ALIKE, that is they RESEMBLE EACH OTHER in contrast to the A.V. 1611, King James Bible.

14. ALL the "new" Translations have been made in a period of time marked by DISBELIEF, DISOBEDIENCE and APOSTASY.

15. ALL the "new" Translations have a COPYRIGHT.

Please note that up to this point I have made no accusations, neither have I presented any charges against anyone or made any claims of any sort. So far I have presented some of the "FACTS" having to do with this issue. ("Facts" that can easily be verified through a little bit of research and study.)

Here are some "FACTS" about the King James Bible (A.V. 1611) you may not have known:

1. The A.V. (King James Bible) was translated near the beginning of the Reformation.

2. The A.V. (King James Bible) was the 7th complete translation of the Bible to be made in English from the beginning of the Reformation.

3. The A.V. (King James Bible) was translated by over 50 men divided into three groups: The Westminster Group; The Oxford Group; and The Cambridge Group.

4. Many of the translators, their families and friends had personally endured hardship and persecution for their personal beliefs.

5. The high caliber and qualifications of these truly scholarly men has NEVER, never been matched by ANY group of translators since.

6. The A.V. (King James Bible) was translated after nearly 1000 YEARS of Spiritual DARKNESS, At the dawning of a Spiritual AWAKENING.

7. Except for the PRIVATE "Reference" and "Study" materials found in some King James Bibles. There is NO Copyright on a King James Bible (A.V.).

8. The A.V. (King James Bible) has been called, by believers and non-believers, the most beautiful piece of English literature in all the world.

9. The A.V. (King James Bible) has reigned supreme over ALL the other Bibles ever printed for 375 years.

10. The A.V. (KING JAMES BIBLE) is the MOST POPULAR BOOK in the WORLD. There have been MORE A.V.'S (KING JAMES BIBLES) PRINTED than any OTHER Book or Bible in existence.

A careful review of the Bible on the subject of It's Own Authority reveals that the Bible should be the Sole Source of AUTHORITY on all matters of faith and practice for the Christian. With the exception of God Himself, a Christian should place nothing above the Bible, nor should the Bible be put in subjection to the Christian's own culture, prejudices and biases. No church; no ecclesiastical organization; no group; no government; no school; no man or movement; should be placed above the Bible.

When approaching the subject of which Bible constitutes God's Word it is very important that we do not allow our own prejudices to "color" the issue. We should not be asking: Which Bible do we "prefer"? or which Bible is "EASIER" for me to read? or which Bible do my friends like? or which Bible does my Bible School or Church recommend?. Instead we should be asking: Which Bible does God Prefer? or Which Bible has God obviously Blessed the use of? or Which Bible does God witness to? or Which Bible does God want us to use? or Which Bible did God PRESERVE? Choosing the Bible that you are going to use should not be based on anyone's personal taste, likes, preferences etc., the choosing should be done after a thorough study of the facts.

In choosing "Which Bible" be careful of assumptions and suppositions. The Bible, by Its own claim, is no ordinary book and anyone studying any of the various subjects involved in this issue must keep in mind that there is a Spiritual Dimension to this issue that must be taken into account in every area of study.

In Psalm 12:6, 7. (In the A.V.) God says; "His WORDS are PURE WORDS." and that He, that is God, is going to "PRESERVE HIS WORDS FOREVER!"

The Lord Jesus Christ said; that the "SAME WORDS" that He spoke nearly 2000 years ago are going to be used to JUDGE the world and mankind. (John 12:48)

The Lord also said that Heaven and Earth will pass away but, "His WORDS shall not pass away."

There are many more verses showing that God's Word has been preserved, but I don't have the space to repeat them here. However, in I Peter 1:23 God states that those of

us who have received Christ as our Saviour have been "born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth FOREVER." Is God a man that He should Lie? (Numbers 23:19)

It should be noted that "The Bible" was known as the "Authorized Version" from 1611 A.D. until the early 1900's when the Publishers (\$\$\$\$) of the "new" Bibles changed the name of "The Bible" from The Authorized Version to The King James Version..... trying to make it look like the King of England was responsible for its creation. About the same time (1901), these Publishers (Remember they are in the business of SELLING "NEW" BOOKS \$\$\$\$\$\$\$) dropped the "Forward to the Reader" from the Translators of the A.V., and yet they print page after page of the forwards to the "new" Bibles. (Does this mean anything to you? Does it make you wonder at all?)

In your study of which Bible constitutes God's Word you should seek the answers to many questions some of which are:

Do we have God's WORDS today?—Just exactly as He would want us to have them? Where does one find the WORDS of God today?

Does God require all Christians to be "experts" in Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek and Latin?

Can today's Christian TRUST modern "christian scholarship" to provide us with a Holy Bible? Or even honest answers to questions about the History, the Manuscripts, the Text or the Transmission of the Bible?

Did God go to all the trouble of Inspiring "All Scripture" (2 Tim. 3:16) and then just left His Words alone to the luckless winds and shifting sands of time?

In order to cover the subject of "Which Bible" more completely certain Warnings, Claims and Charges must be made—I would encourage the reader to carefully check out any and all of the following:

ALL the "new" Translations low-rate, play-down or omit references to the DEITY of the Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL the "new" Translations slander, omit, or change the WORDS of God.

ALL the "new" Translations are much harder to MEMORIZE.

ALL the "new" Translations attack the GODHEAD i.e. THE FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT AS BEING ONE, by omitting and changing references to IT.

ALL the "new" Translations attack the VIRGIN BIRTH by omitting or changing references to it.

ALL the "new" Translations are result of modern, unbelieving, humanistic so-called "scientific scholarship".

Why do the Translators and Scholars avoid identifying the "older", "better", or "more ancient" manuscripts that they cite when they change the WORDS of God?

How can the "new" Translations be God's HOLY WORD when they differ with the A.V. (King James Bible) in better than 5000 places? If the "new" Translations are God's HOLY WORD what does that make the A.V. (King James Bible)?

Why do ALL the "new" Translations compare themselves to the A.V. (King James Bible), instead of each other?

Why do most of the "textual critics" and "bible scholars" continually attack and downgrade the A.V. (King James Bible) in their classrooms? In their schools? In their papers? and in their books?

Why have ALL the major Bible publishers stopped printing the forward (not the dedicatory) to the A.V. King James Bible?

As you can see this issue is complex, controversial and confusing. To help you get at the "FACTS" you will find a list of books enclosed with this letter. The "FACTS" are very hard to find unless you read some of the not so well-known "unpopular" Authors:

IN THE PAST:

John W. Burgon, Edward Miller, F. H. Scrivener, Herman Hoskier, Bishop Wordsworth, Canon Cook, Sir Robert Anderson, Philip Mauro, Joseph C. Philpot, George Sayles Bishop, Benjamin C. Wilkinson, Robert Dick Wilson and Edward F. Hills.

PRESENT DAY:

J. J. Ray, Terence H. Brown, Henry Coray, Zane C. Hodges, Alfred Martin, David Otis Fuller, Peter S. Ruckman, David Fountain, Gordon P. Gardiner, Wilbur N. Pickering, Donald T. Clarke, Bruce Cummins, Dick Cimino, Barry Burton, Perry F. Rockwood, Greg Estep, Billy Bartlett, Larry Bartlett and Herbert Noe.

Every one of these men have defended the Word of God or are still defending It as best they could from the 1880's up to the present day.

You can't find these books in most bookstores, major publishers will not print these men's works, "christian" newspapers, magazines etc. won't advertize these books, "christian" radio and T.V. programs won't have these men on the air. Most modern Bible "scholars and critics" either haven't heard of these men or their books, or they just choose to "ignore" what they have to say.

In this world the truth is sometimes difficult to find, especially when you are dealing with the WORDS of God. I hope this letter will challenge you to dig deeper into this controversial subject. The books in the following list cover the following subjects:

1. The Question: Which Bible?
2. The Internal Evidence: What Does God Say?
3. Old Testament History of The Text.
4. New Testament History of The Text.
5. The History of The Transmission Of The Text Of The Bible In The Church Age.
6. The Manuscript Evidence.
7. A Comparison of Versions.

If you don't have the time to read all of the books on the list, I hope that you will try to read a broad representative sampling of them. Don't be deceived; Don't be complacent; and whatever you do don't take anyone's opinion, (including any that you may find in this letter) for granted. Check it out, search out the truth, sift the facts, read the "other side" also. There are lots of books on the market that are on the opposite side of this issue—check them out.

Should you need any other information or if you have any questions I would be happy to assist you in your search for the Truth. In these evil days God is looking for men who will be "Valiant for the Truth" and not like God's People in Jeremiah 9:1-5. Oh that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!

Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my people, and go from them! for they be all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men.

And they bend their tongues like their bow for lies: but they are not valiant for the truth upon the earth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and they know not me, saith the LORD.

Take ye heed every one of his neighbour, and trust ye not in any brother: for every brother will utterly supplant, and every neighbour will walk with slanders.

And they will deceive every one his neighbour, and will not speak the truth: they have taught their tongue to speak lies, and weary themselves to commit iniquity.

Yours for Christ and His Word,

George H. Anderson Jr.

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

"If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" Psalm 11.3

DANGER!

The emerging 'new 'Christianity—with its substitution of riches for righteousness, a crown for a cross, and an imitation for a new creation—is shown to be a direct result of the wording in new versions.

Thousands of words, verses, and doctrines are changed, left out , added on, and corrupted, by which new versions prepare the apostate churches of these last days to accept the religion of the New Age Papal rule and Lucifer worship. And what about the fact that all new versions are copyrighted—The Word of God copyrighted to make profit for the translators??

Wake up brothers and sisters, Satan is taking away our sword and giving us a butter knife! Don't let him do it! It is vital that we all understand the issues involved in this subject. See Foxe's Book of martyrs for a record of the rabid hatred of the papacy for The Word. How could we ever believe the Catholic scholars now uphold the true Word? This tract can only touch the surface. Your soul's salvation could be involved! Study this issue. The following are a few excellent sources:

'The Authorized Bible Vindicated' Wilkinson

'NIV or KJV? Burnside

'New Age Bible Versions' Riplinger

'Which Bible?' video-LLT (They no longer sell it)

'Which Bible?' Fuller

'Final Authority' Grady

'Let's Weigh the Evidence' Burton

'The King James Version Defended' Edward Hills ThD. (very scholarly)

'If The Foundations Be Destroyed' C. Salliby (excellent!)

"The faith which for centuries was held and taught by the Waldensian Christians was in marked contrast to the false doctrines put forth from Rome. Their religious belief was founded upon the written word of God, the true system of Christianity. But those humble peasants, in their obscure retreats, shut away from the world, and bound to daily toil among their flocks and their vineyards, had not by themselves arrived at the truth in opposition to the dogmas and heresies of the apostate church. Theirs was not a faith newly received. Their religious belief was their inheritance from their fathers. They contended for the faith of the apostolic church,—"**the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.**" **Jude 3. "The church in the wilderness," and not the proud hierarchy enthroned in the world's great capital, was the true church of Christ, the guardian of the treasures of truth which God has committed to His people to be given to the world.**" Great Controversy 64.

Friends, the Siniaticus and Vaticanus manuscripts were both in the keeping of that 'Proud Hierarchy'—They were not the guardians of God's Truths! The 'Received Text' (Textus Receptus) from which our Authorized Version descended, was the scripture of the 'Church in the Wilderness.'

Our Forefathers Lived for It—They Died for It—Does It Matter to You?