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The Submission of The Translators

By Brian Donovan

Following the death of Queen Elizabeth I in 1603, the newly crowned King James I sat down to meet in conference with England's religious leaders to hear and determine "things pretended to be amiss in the church." The Church of England's Anglican Bishops were represented, as well as a select few (four chosen men) to represent the Puritan claims. The Separatists were purposefully excluded, as they were considered "extremists" and were in the process of being railroaded out of the country anyway.

To begin the meeting, the King asked the Puritans to retire so that he could speak with the Bishops in private. The meeting began well with the delighted Bishops thinking the King was mostly on their side after hearing his opening comments. When allowed to speak, they essentially made their case for the Anglican Church to continue with their sacramental and hierarchal Bishop-run system. Since the Church of England was closest to the primitive church as any on earth, and had remained so strong over the last forty years, why change anything? King James interjected, "It was no reason that because a man had been sick of the pox forty years, therefore he should not be cured."

The Bishops soon found out that they were dealing with no ordinary King. Their new King was able to turn to any verse in the Bible and translate from Latin to French, as well as from French to English. As much as they liked to

poke fun at his Scotch accent behind his back, this was a man who was fluent in Greek, Latin, French, and English. After a lengthy discussion regarding baptism, King James shot down their arguments with Scripture, and though he still wanted to keep the Anglican Church strong, he also wanted it cleansed of its fat and strutting Bishops.

Dismissing the Bishops with glee, the King agreed to meet with the Puritans. Since he had lived his whole life in Presbyterian Scotland, James was familiar with the Puritans' arguments before they ever brought them. Reynolds,

Chaderton, Sparke, and Knewstubs, though far more Scriptural in their arguments than the Anglican Bishops, were nevertheless summarily put down by the King. There was no way that he was going to allow a group of reformers to set up a church that would not bow to his authority. In spite of all this, the Lord used this meeting to have the suggestion by John Reynolds be put before King James to have the Bible translated.

It was this suggestion that resulted in an announcement a few weeks later (February 10, 1604) that "a translation be made of the whole Bible . . ."

The Bishops' Bible, made under Queen Elizabeth in 1568, was considered a pompous work of fourteen Bishops and was never accepted by the common Englishman. The Geneva Bible of 1560 was completed by only a few Puritans and naturally came out heavily biased toward their views. One of the amazing things about this new translation work in 1604 was that it was to be done by a large committee of translators. With six companies of eight men each and a supervisor over each of the six companies, the total of 54 men working on the

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Happy Birthday, KJV

Part II

By Dr. Peter S. Ruckman

"Happy birthday to you; happy birthday to you. Happy birthday, Holy Bible; happy birthday to you!"

This is the KJV's 400th anniversary. At this time, all those of us who love you and believe you and accept you as "the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth" wish you a very happy birthday. This 400th anniversary of your birthday is by far the greatest celebration of that event yet. As we observed last time, there were 400 years between Malachi and Matthew during which God never revealed anything to anybody, and after the King James Version showed up, the Lord gave us another 400 years of silence until the Second Coming. If the Second Coming were this year, that would be during

your 400th anniversary.

Old KJV, we've "got your number." Not only is it 999 (see our last article), but it is also the famous crap shooters' number: when they roll the dice, they often say: "Seven come eleven." We've "got your number," because your birthday began with 1611, and one and six is seven ("seven come eleven"). It would be a nice joke on your part if you gave us the year our Lord is to come. He showed up the first time after 400 years of silence; wouldn't it be something if He showed up the second time after 400 years of silence!

Happy birthday to you for your chapter and verse numberings and your number system which turns out to be supernatural "by accident."

You told us what happened to the Gentiles back in Genesis 11. They are listed in

Genesis 10, since Noah was the tenth from Adam (1 Chron. 1:1-4). With their first kingdom in verse 10 is a picture of the Antichrist, who has ten Kings with him when he shows up.

Then we noticed that after the last big mention of the Gentiles in Genesis 10, the next time you said anything about anybody, you picked Abraham, the father of the Jews, in Genesis 12 and promised to give him the Middle East (Gen. 15). It wasn't hard for us to figure out with the chapter and verse numbers you have, which all the modern "Bibles" had to follow even though they didn't want to since it made it easier for readers to check and see where they were in error; but then you never did miss anything to start with (or to finish).

We knew chapter 12 was

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Higher Education Without Formal Schooling

Part one of two

Sooner or later, most Christians in America are sucked in by one of the nation's three gods: *money, sex, and higher education*. In these two articles, we address ourselves to that last god, with the full knowledge that the One who created us and saved our souls and has fixed eternity for us told us that all **"wisdom and knowledge"** is not to be found in kindergarten, grade school, middle school, high school, College, Seminary, or postgraduate work. Colossians 2:3 informs us that if we want **"wisdom and knowledge,"** it is to be found in *one person*: the second person of the Godhead—the Lord Jesus Christ.

In that same book, in the same chapter, we are also told that there are *three things* that will *prevent* you from getting a proper education. These will be: 1) **"philosophy,"** 2) **"the tradition of men,"** and 3) **"the rudiments of the world"** (Col. 2:8). The reason these are found in the book of Colossians is because *that one book mentions the Laodicean church by name five times* (see Col. 2:1, 4:13, 15–16); that is more times than you find it in the book of Revelation (see Rev. 1:11, 3:14).

As any Bible student knows, the Laodicean church is the last church on this earth before the Rapture. It is characterized by its bragging about being **"rich, and increased with goods,"** but spiritually the Lord says it is **"wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked"** (Rev. 3:17). Why? *Because it threw out Colossians 2.*

That chapter said if a man wanted to have any kind of success, he was going to have to look out for **"philosophy,"**

"tradition," and the world system (i.e., **"the rudiments"** or basic teachings **"of the world"**). If he wants *higher education*—what is called "higher scholarship" or "high academic standards" or what the German infidels used to call "higher criticism"—it is to be found in the presence of one person: the One who died on the cross for his sins and was buried and rose again from the dead (1 Cor. 15:3–4).

Now it is that man, the Lord Jesus Christ, who commanded you to **"search the scriptures"** (John 5:39); at least He says that in the *King James Bible*. He doesn't do that in the other "Bibles" like the NASV and the NIV. All He does is just mention the fact that *some* of the people to whom He's talking do the searching, but there is no *command* to **"search."** Such modern perversions of the Holy Scriptures were made by men who didn't want you studying the Scriptures, because not only did they eliminate the command to **"search the scriptures,"** they also changed the command to **"study"** them as well in the only passage that told you to do so (2 Tim. 2:15).

Christ told you to **"search the scriptures"** because they **"testify"** of Him (John 5:39). So if wisdom is to be found in Him (Col. 2:3), then it is to be found in the *Scriptures*. Five books in the Bible are called "Wisdom books" (Job–Song of Solomon), but they are not the only books that can teach you wisdom. As a matter of fact, if you will take the time to read these articles, you will see that a man can learn anything he *ought* to know from simply *reading the Book*.

It was Thomas Jefferson who said: "A man who reads *nothing* is far smarter than a

man who reads nothing but *newspapers*." The reason for this should be pretty apparent now, 200 years after Jefferson, because all newspapers today major in *falsehood*. I tell people: "The news media will get you killed." You will see that right in front of your face if you check them very often.

If a man is really interested in learning something, all he has to do is pick up the Bible and *read it*. He will find that almost no matter where he looks, he is *learning lessons* that he could not learn in *any* College on earth, or if for some reason he did, it would take him years.

Take, for example, the book of Job. When you *read* the book of Job, do you know what you can learn *without the help of a teacher* or a test or a thesis or any "finals"? You can learn:

1. The best of men are *sinners*.
2. If you live godly, you will *suffer persecution*.
3. God can use the *Devil* to glorify Himself.
4. Some tragedies in life are *unexplainable*; apart from revelation, you're not going to be able to explain everything.
5. Only *one sin* can keep a sinner from salvation.
6. God will be merciful to *any* sinner.
7. God will be merciful to any sinner who *forsakes his own righteousness*.

Those are quite some things to learn, did you know that? How do you like those for some real lessons? Those things are *solid, absolute truths*. You didn't need a textbook; *Job was your textbook*. You didn't need a teacher; *the Holy Spirit was your teacher*.

Take another book: Ecclesiastes. Did you ever look at the book of Ecclesiastes? You talk



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about an *education!* There are *seven lessons* you can learn from Ecclesiastes that many a candidate for a Ph.D. or a masters degree never did get, no matter how much education he had.

1. You are *individually accountable to God* after death. There wasn't one Greek philosopher before the time of Christ who knew that or could find out anything about it with the schools and teachers of his day, *not a one* of them.
2. You can get your heart's desire and be *miserable*.
3. Life is short and unpredictable.
4. *No man on earth is sinless*.
5. Oppression, violence, and pain can come upon *anybody*.
6. Life without belief in God is a *tragedy* worse than *pain* or *death*.
7. There is a proper time and place for *everything* on earth.

Now there are two "courses" for you: Job and Ecclesiastes. All you had to do was *read them*. Of course, if you didn't *believe* them, you'd learn nothing, but if you believed what you read, you would have learned more than the wisest men on this earth (by the thousands) have ever known.

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Alibis for Living Like the Devil

By Dr. Peter S. Ruckman

The modern apostate Fundamentalists, Evangelicals, and Conservatives (several million since 1901) have made a lifelong practice of *spiritual sin*. This lifelong habit is the alibiing of their sins by appealing to the “historic position” or the depraved conjectures or

the occasional transgressions of *other sinners*. Studying the faculty members of Tennessee Temple University, Crown College, Liberty University, Bob Jones University, Pensacola Christian College, and Hyles-Anderson College is kind of like watching Ham or Shem getting drunk *because Noah*

did or like watching Aaron lose his temper *because Moses did* or like watching Hezekiah commit adultery and kill somebody *because David did*.

Among the many men to whom apostate Fundamentalists appeal in order to justify their ungodly devilment are Charles Haddon Spurgeon,

Arthur Farstad, Philip Schaff, John Broadus, Erasmus, A. T. Robertson, and John Gill. Of those men, three were five-point Calvinists, four were Amillennialists, and all seven of them had an *old nature* exactly like Noah, Moses, David, Bob Jones Sr., John Wesley, Peter, James, John, Billy Sunday, Dwight Moody, and Demas. In fact, when dealing with matters of Biblical authority, the modern apostate Fundamentalist is always very careful to circumnavigate two important issues.

1. *Satan's part in Bible translating*. There isn't one book on the market by any “recognized scholar” in three centuries that discusses *Satan's interest* in reinstating the Dark Ages Jesuit *Rheims Bible* of 1582 via Fundamental schools and scholars in America and Europe. All are as silent as a turkey farm on Thanksgiving day.

2. There has never been any discussion on the *two natures of the believer* when

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the number of the *Jews* because that was the number of their tribes, just as we knew that *ten* was the *Gentile* number because the “father of the Gentiles” (Noah) was the tenth from Adam and all his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren appeared in *Genesis 10*. Immediately, we saw that “seven come eleven” (Gen. 11) would land us right in the middle of the first “UN” getting one big “global family” together for God to tear up (cf. Zeph. 3:8).

We also noticed it was “**the days of Lot**” (Luke 17:28–30) because Lot's name first occurs in *Genesis 11:27*. If *seven days* complete the week (and they do—Lev. 23:3), and if *seven weeks* complete something before Pentecost (Lev. 23:15), and if *seven months* take place for the Feast of Trumpets, the Day of Atonement, and the Feast of Tabernacles (Lev. 23:24, 27, 34), and if *seven years* take place for the Jubilee (Lev. 25:4), and if *7,000 years* take place before Eternity begins (cf. 2 Pet. 3:10), then we would figure “seven come eleven” that “**the days of Lot**” in *Genesis 11* warns us about fire coming down from Heaven at the Second Advent (2 Thess. 1:7–8) just like *Lot saw with the sodomites* (2 Pet. 2:6–7).

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As a celebrator of your 400th birthday, let me say,

personally, thank you for being the instrument that got me out of Hell and gave me a free passport to Glory. Thank you for preserving my life and keeping me in the ministry. Every good thing I have, I owe to you.

“**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path**” (Psa. 119:105). “**The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple**” (Psa. 119:130). “**Thy word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it**” (Psa. 119:140).

I consider you my life's bread, for “**Man shall not live by bread alone, but by**

every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God” (Matt. 4:4). Your *words* (not just your “word”—see Psa. 12:6–7) have sustained me 89 years when nothing else could. Thank you again, and may I wish you a very happy birthday!

“Happy birthday to you; happy birthday to you. Happy birthday, Holy Bible; happy birthday to you.” Happy Birthday, oh Book of all books; happy birthday, Monarch of the books.

“*Heil Jesus; die Bibel über alles!*” And please don't forget “seven come eleven” on your 400th birthday.

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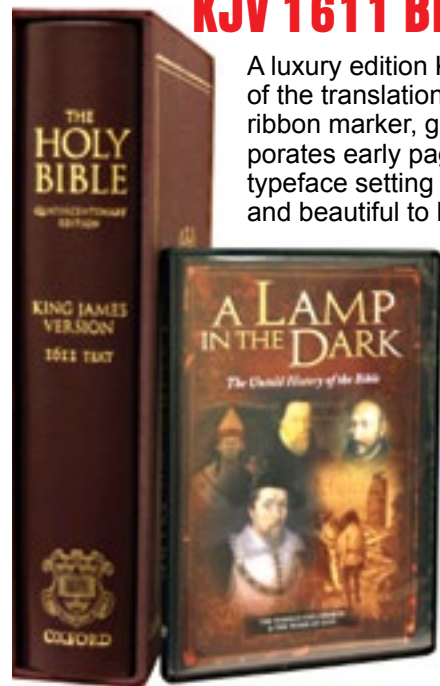
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 Bible seemed daunting. Two companies each in Oxford, Cambridge, and Westminster would work over the next seven years (1604-1611) to produce the *King James Bible*. Large committees such as these are known for compromise and empty air. Anyone knows that it is individuals who produce great works, not committees. The United States Senate and the House of Representatives are living proof that truth cannot come out unscathed after meeting in committees. But we are dealing with the Bible, not politics.

The Bible already has one Author. Translation is not authorship, and the scholarly men of 1604 understood that concept like no one from 1880 onwards can imagine. The myriad of corrupt English translations that have come out since 1881 all have a statement to make. That statement is: "We have something to say; we are important and you need to hear us." But in 1604-1611, some men thought that it was God who had something to say and it was God who was important and needed to be heard. In order to do that, those men believed they needed to be in subjection to the word of God, not in judgment or criticism of it. The names of Chaderton, Ward, Bois, and Miles are not remembered; but the power, purity, majesty, and superiority of one Book is not forgotten. Martin Luther did a great work as an individual in translating the German Bible, but German was not the language that was to be used around the world till the Second Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. Martin's effort to "make Moses so German that no one would suspect he was a Jew" was satisfactory to reach Germans, but that would not cut it for the universal language of the world.

A scholarly committee of Englishmen with a mindset of submission would be used to translate God's words into English, and despite being "archaic," it is still alive four hundred years later. Despite being "sectarian," it still overcame the divisiveness between the Puritans, Anglicans, and the rest. The *Bishops' Bible* was eclipsed by 1612, and the *Geneva Bible* was eclipsed by 1644. Miles Smith said, "Translation it is, that openeth the window to let in the light," and the purified and preserved words of the Lord in the *King James English* has opened the window and let in the light. Perhaps the crowning example would be the King's English of Psalm 19: "**The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork**" (Psa. 19:1). The simplicity is combined with the perfect cadence, which all point to God.

Better yet, maybe it would be Psalm 8: "**When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and**

the stars, which thou hast ordained; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?" (Psa. 8:3-4). The commas are perfectly placed, and the semicolon tells you to slow down even more. Here is David looking up to God's handiwork, and it causes him to look down at himself and wonder how the Lord can be mindful of man.

Perhaps even better would be the very first verses of the *King James Bible*. Back in 1535, William Tyndale translated them beautifully as: "*In the beginning God created heaven and earth. The earth was void and empty and darkness was upon the deep, and the spirit of God moved upon the water.*" Some years later, a great improvement was made by the *Geneva* translators in 1560 as: "*In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the deep, and the spirit of God moved upon the waters.*" The addi-

tion of the article before both heaven and earth gave information Einstein never could figure out, while the addition of the word "and" to begin the second verse shows that the chronological teaching of the original finished creation of verse 1 is followed by an act that made it "**without form and void.**" But the depth of the purified words of the Lord in the *King James* 1611 make Bible believers wonder "**what is man that thou art mindful of him?**" Reading from "**the perfect law of liberty**" (James 1:25) of 1611, we find: "**In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.**" Besides changing the comma after the word "void" to a semicolon to get the reader to slow down even more, the addition of "**the face**" twice in verse 2 has a depth of suggestion that I

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discussing critical exegesis, higher criticism, lower criticism, or constructive or destructive criticism, although all Fundamentalists profess to believe the Christian has two natures. Somehow or another, all of them *overlooked* this when discussing *final authority*, especially when fooling with a *King James Bible*. It was almost as if they had decided ahead of time that their own crowd only had *one nature* when confronted with the authority of the Bible—a “good, godly” nature.

For a moment, I am going to pretend I am the head of a Bible department or Seminary in one of the ten largest Christian schools in America, and that I desire to assert *my authority* over the *Authorized Version* and to convince all of the students and faculty that

my education and my training has equipped me to *correct the Book*. If I wanted to do that, what would be the best way to proceed?

First, I would appeal to *Charles Haddon Spurgeon* because he preached one time from an *RV* (Westcott and Hort, 1885) on the 8th of February, 1891 and told his listeners that *translations are not inspired*, therefore the last appeal is to the “original.” He also added the *AV* was “faulty” in many places and should be *corrected* after having held up the *King James Bible* for fifty years saying it was “perfect” and that “God wrote it.” THE LORD TOOK HIM HOME THE NEXT YEAR.

Next, I would bring forth *John Gill*. He told some gullible soul that every translation was to be examined, tried, judged, and *corrected*

by the “Bible in the original languages.” Gill never found any “original manuscripts” with which to do this; all he used was 24 different Greek texts. Since he never had such a Bible, he never read it and never used it, so *he won no one to Christ in a lifetime*. He stuck by *absolute double predestination* with Christ dying only for the “elect.” Some authority!

Then I would appeal to *Philip Schaff*, the head of the *ASV* committee of 1901. He tells us that the 20,000 variations in the *AV* editions prevent it from being “accurate” and that Erasmus’ Greek text was from “inferior manuscripts,” “defective” in places, “made in great haste,” and “full of errors” (*A Companion in the Greek New Testament English Version*, Harpers, New York, 1883, pp. 230–231). Philip Schaff was a

baby-sprinkling Amillennialist who never led a soul to Christ in his life; in his entire lifetime he never even *professed* to know what “soulwinning” was.

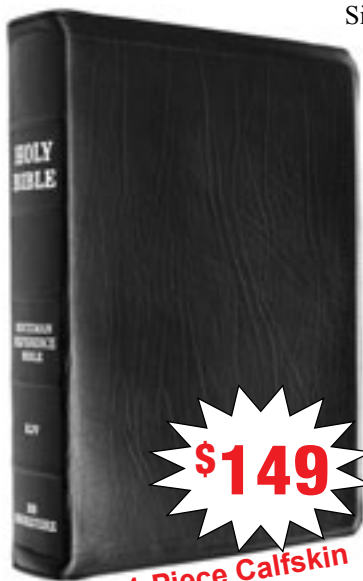
Then I would appeal to *John Broadus*, the Southern Baptist who professed to have the “true text” (which to him was *not* the *Authorized Version*). He taught that the blasphemous *RV* of 1885 (the English revision of the Jesuit *Rheims Bible* of 1582) was uniformly “superior” to the *AV*, and often “greatly superior” (*Commentary on the Gospel of Matthew*, Judson Press, Valley Forge, pg. 1). Broadus in his vast and egotistical *ignorance* told his students that they could avoid the spurious passages in the *King James Bible* by deleting them with the *ASV* of 1901 published by Philip Schaff. Broadus forgot

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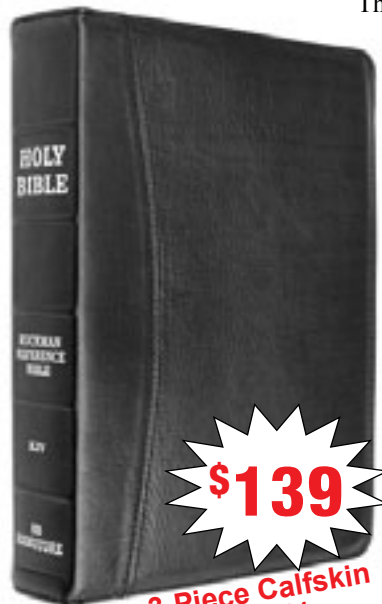
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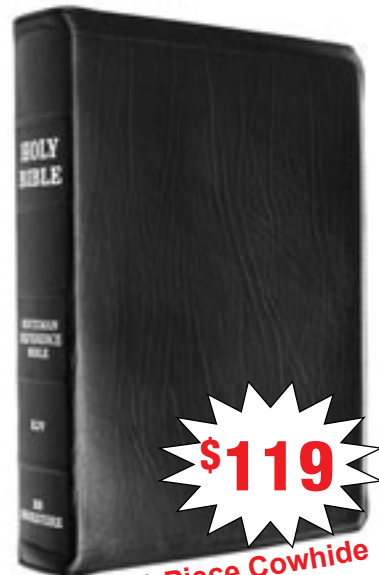
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to tell you that he *rejected* the Judgment Seat of Christ, the pre-Tribulational Rapture of the Church, the restoration of Israel, the entire Millennial reign of Christ on earth, and the coming of the Antichrist. He was a heart-and-soul denominational politician in the Southern Baptist Convention, and after graduating from Baylor University, he went on to go to the worst Liberal hellhole in America: the *University of Chicago*.

Next I would appeal to

another Southern Baptist: B. H. Carroll. He stated that the *only textbook* that is an absolute requisite of the Southern Baptist Seminary in Fort, Worth, Texas (where J. Frank Norris attended) was the grossly corrupt English RV of 1885 and the American ASV of 1901. They were to be "much preferred" over the Bible God used to save Broadus and Carroll and Spurgeon and Robertson. Carroll, as Schaff and Gill, was an Amillennial teacher who *rejected* the Tribulation, *rejected* the

Millennium, and *rejected* the Judgment Seat of Christ.

Finally, I would haul out *Erasmus*. Erasmus, as any editor, examined "early codices" (you are to presume from this that *Vaticanus* and *Sinaiticus* are Bible manuscripts, which they are *not*), and discerned between the Scripture and the translation of the Scripture and the translation of both. However, this was when dealing with *Catholics* who insisted that Jerome's Latin *Vulgate*, the text of the Jesuit *Rheims* Bible of 1582,

was the right text. Erasmus, coming before 1582, didn't have the Jesuit *Rheims* Bible in English, but he knew the *readings* that were in it because they were in Jerome's *Vulgate*. What I would not tell you is that Erasmus had access to all the readings in the ASV, RV, and RSV for he had Jerome's Latin *Vulgate* which is the same text as that used for the *NIV*, *NASV*, *NRSV*, and *ESV*.

Now you had better get the point: the point is that no matter how "good" or "godly" or "sincere" or "dedicated" any Christian is, he can *err* when he sits in judgment on the words of God. We have no quarrel with the personal lives of any men on the list I gave. We only mention them to show that many Bible rejectors appeal to them as an *alibi for sinning*—altering God's words.

They are not in the least to be associated with *any* preacher or school in America who talks about *soulwinning*. None of them were soulwinners. The point is that the alibis for their sin are the remarks made by *other sin-*

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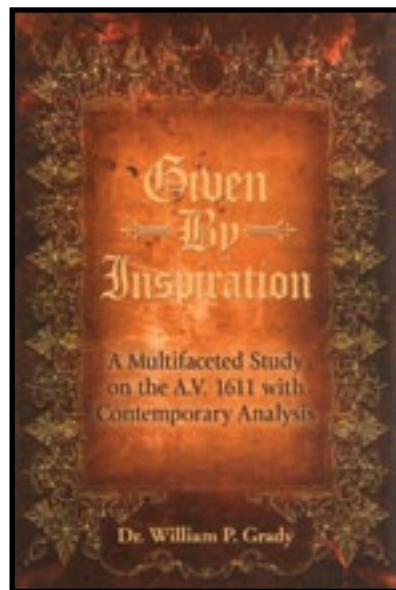
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must confess still makes me stand in awe.

Not only do we have more than we can fathom in the words of those first two verses, but now we are connected to Isaiah 14, Ezekiel 28, Job 1, and Job 38 just with the addition of the word "**and**." Yet that isn't even the tip of the iceberg, since the inclusion of "**the face**" to the deep now makes us to consider even more connected verses in the infinite circle of God's Book. The translators were led to use certain words, no doubt without even knowing why at times, but any student of the *KJV* 1611 knows that its depths can never be fathomed. The intimation that the deep has a face connects the reader to Psalm 19, where "**the heavens declare the glory of God,**" as well as to 1 Corinthians 13, where we now "**see through a glass darkly**" (1 Cor. 13:12). When those recreated heavens "face" the Lord God who created them, they give glory through a reflection of His face on the great deep, while beholding that face "**through a glass darkly.**" But that is only if you have a *King James* Bible, since before Genesis 1:2, there were no heavens

(plural), nor was there a need for "**a glass darkly.**"

Because the modern translators (1880-2011) do not put themselves under submission to God's words but rather believe that they are actually critiquing them, they are not even aware of the shallowness of the words that they are choosing. They are also unaware of the damage they are doing as they break an infinite circle of Bible verses that are interconnected. Thank God for a group of English-

men that submitted themselves to the pure words of God. That resulted in the final word that the Lord God would give to mankind until they hear judgments pronounced from the sky during the Great Tribulation period just before "**the Sun**" arises "**with healing in his wings**" (Mal. 4:2). For 400 years now, men have not heard so much as a whimper from the Lord God, unless they have opened His Book, "**given by inspiration**" in 1611.



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By Dr. Peter S. Ruckman

Modern-day apostate Fundamentalists, Conservatives, and Evangelicals can easily be spotted by a standard set of pious clichés which always accompany any attack they make on “Ruckmanism” or “King James Onlyism.” You see, they must *use* a book they *don’t believe* in order to pass off as Bible believers. When these sanctified sissies (we call them “Campfire Girls” and “Brownies”) are put against the wall about their unbelief in the Book, they

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ners in moments of weakness when they were either trying to *impress* someone with their “neutral objectivity” and “sincerity” or to *gain a reputation* for “high academic standards” by demonstrating their acquaintance with destructive criticism and skepticism.

We are not impressed by such things. That’s the *old nature* in any sinner trying to exert its authority over God and His words. Such things have their roots and source in the *flesh*, and every one of those fellows had a fleshy nature. That had nothing to do with the “**new creature**” “**in Christ**” (2 Cor. 5:17), the new nature, or the Holy Spirit who gave birth to it. Such demonstrations as those we’ve given you here are the direct manifestations of the *carnal nature* of “**the old man**” (Eph. 4:22) that wishes to receive “**the praise of men**” (John 12:43).

“**BE SURE YOUR SIN WILL FIND YOU OUT**” (Num. 32:23).

resort to a number of little face-saving devices to make you think they are not violating their convictions. These are “standard”; i.e., these are the *typical* ploys used nearly every time the subject comes up. Watch for these expressions, and you’ll recognize the apostate who is *lying to make a living*.

1. “*The Greek text says . . .*” That’s the outstanding mark of the apostate. No such animal as “THE Greek text” exists. The apostates say that to make you think that they’ve got the “originals” without actually saying the word *originals*. When a man says “the Greek text says,” then you know he’s *lying*. There are more than 24 Greek texts. None of them are identical, and none are “originals” of any Scripture.

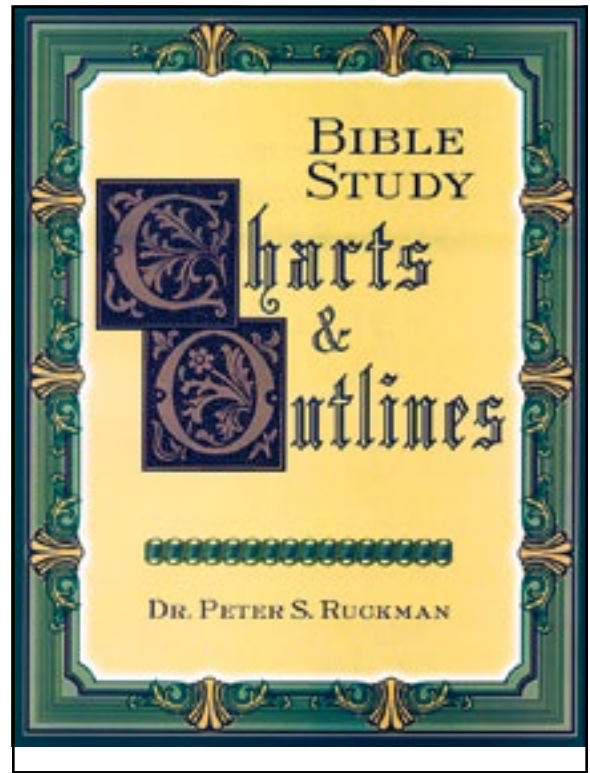
2. “*We prefer the King James Bible; it is a good translation.*” When a fellow says that, you know his mind is gone: he messed with the Book, so *God messed with his mind. No slave has a “preference”* (1 Cor. 6:19–20); he takes what the master gives him (Matt. 26:39). “We prefer it”: that’s the mark of a *humanistic pagan*. In 1 Corinthians 6:19–20, that Bible says: “**ye are bought with a price**” and “**ye are not your own.**” It’s what *your Master* prefers, you silly idiot; *not you!*

“I prefer it”: that is how you mark an apostate. “I prefer it.” Why? Because the apostate is *his own god*. He can take *his own preference* because he is the *final authority*.

3. “It is a literary masterpiece.” That goes over well with some folks, but it doesn’t mean anything. *All Quiet on the Western Front* is a “literary masterpiece”; so is *Les Miserables* by Victor Hugo. So

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 what? Neither one is the final authority for anything.

4. *"It is practically the word of God, so we can call it that."* You can call black "white" and white "black"; you can call sex perverts "gay" and normal people "psychiatric cases." What does all that mean? Nothing. It means the speaker is an apostate who has lost his mind.

5. *"It is the Word of God for English-speaking people."* The same could be said by them about the NIV, the ASV, the NASV, and the other 230 translations produced since 1880. When these fakirs say that, they are not saying the AV is the final authority for English speakers; they are not saying it is the words of God or the Scriptures. All they could say was that it is the

"Word of God."

Now, do you know why they won't say "Scripture." It is because **"all SCRIPTURE is given by inspiration of God"** (2 Tim. 3:16), and they think that refers only to the "originals."

We are talking about Scripture, and none of them have the Scripture. They are talking about the King James as a "literary masterpiece" (not the Scripture) and "the Word of God" (not the Scripture). They won't say "Scripture" because they don't have the "Scripture," because **"all scripture is given by inspiration of God."**

6. *"It's a reliable transla-*

tions." They'll say the same thing about the ASV, the NASV, the NIV, and the New King James. We're not talking about any "translation"; we're talking about the Scripture. That Book is called **"the holy scriptures"** (2 Tim. 3:15) and **"the scripture of truth"** (Dan. 10:21).

"It's a reliable translation." What's your final authority? Not given.

"We prefer it." What's your final authority? Zero. Maybe you do "prefer it," but what's your final authority? What's the problem? Not talking?

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1. God has no respect for *any nation* if it *rejects His words*.

2. He will *destroy* every nation that persecutes Israel in any way, shape, or form.

3. God’s upcoming “environmental program” is worldwide destruction with everything totally burning up in the end.

4. The judgment coming up in the near future is *not* the “Last Judgment” or the “Day of Judgment” which comes later.

5. *God begat a Son who died for sinners*.

6. God begat a Son who will someday *rule the UN*.

7. When a man goes to Hell, he *burns forever*.

Where could you learn *that* in a public high school? Why, stupid, you couldn’t; at least not as part of the curriculum you would be taught. You couldn’t learn it in *grade school, middle school, high school, or College* unless it were a Christian institution, and these days there’s a good chance you wouldn’t even get it there either.

Where is wisdom to be found? It’s to be found in Christ, the One who said: **“Search the scriptures; for . . . they are they which testify of me”** (John 5:39).

Here’s the book of Jeremiah. I will give you *six lessons* you can learn from Jeremiah, and there isn’t a Ph.D. who

graduated from Harvard or Yale since 1960 who could pick up *half of it*.

1. God intends to *destroy three-quarters of the present population* before His Son returns.

2. The nation of Israel will be *converted* to their Messiah.

3. God will destroy *any nation* that worships **“the queen of heaven.”** (There’s a good one. There are *900 million Catholics* who didn’t know that one, and they couldn’t get it in any school.)

4. God’s *permissive will* allows women to eat their own children and be raped, people to starve to death, men to have their eyes put out, and cities to be burned.

5. God is the author of the *evil things* that take place as well as the good things.

6. There will be *no peace on earth* until Jesus Christ returns to Jerusalem.

Here are some lessons you can learn from the book of Ezekiel that *not one single president of Harvard, Yale, or Princeton* since 1800 ever learned.

1. The Old Testament Law will *come back into effect* at the Second Advent of Christ. (There isn’t a faculty member at Bob Jones University, Tennessee Temple University, or Crown College with 25 years of education who knows that.)

2. God promised to *mislead* every preacher, prophet, and priest who *ignores His words*.

3. The nation of Israel will be restored—*literally*—when the Lord comes back.

4. God will slay all *positive thinkers* who predict *peace* before the Advent.

5. Satan operates in the realm of music: he was a choir director at one time and, as a musician, has musical instruments built right into his *organic structure*.

6. The *coming world dictator* who will take over the “global family” will be one-third

Jewish.

These are lessons you learn from reading the book of Daniel.

1. If you give “man” time, he can ruin *everything* by “change.”

2. Don’t forget to give *God* the glory.

3. Fulfilled prophecy in history is the *only true test of inspiration for any book*.

4. The last UN will be controlled by the Devil incarnated as a “son,” and it will be controlled from *Rome* and then *Jerusalem*.

5. *Darwin was insane*. Daniel’s image shows that all “progress” is *backwards* (not forwards) until the Lord changes it. *All dispensations end in decay and corruption*. None of them begin at the bottom and work up; they all begin at the top and *fall down*.

6. God can humble the

mightiest man on earth, whoever he is.

7. God will honor men who put their faith and trust in him.

8. If Allah is “the god,” then the Author of Daniel, **“the God of gods,”** runs him.

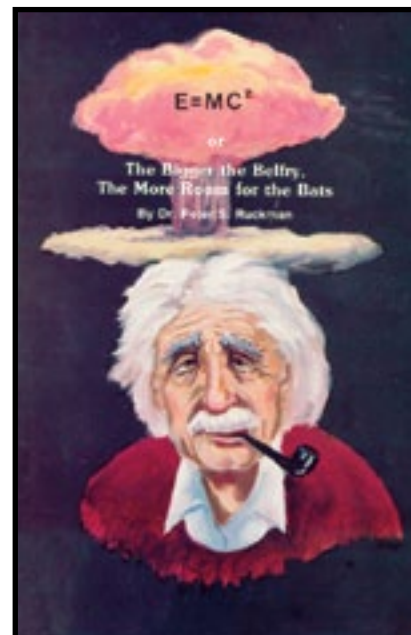
9. The future dictator of the UN will be a *sodomite*.

10. God is not through even if we are.

Now that’s “higher education” from just six books out of 39 in the Old Testament. That is “high academic standards” about which no “high academic” knows anything at all because he’s *stupid*. Those are lessons you can learn from the Book. Next time we will examine wisdom from the New Testament.

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authority? Are you pleading the Fifth Amendment? Is your mouth taped shut?

"It's practically the word of God." I didn't ask you that. What I want to know is, is that *King James Bible* your *final authority*?

"It's the Word of God for English-speaking people." Then is it your *final authority* or is it not?

You've got lockjaw, there, don't you, sonny? Tell me what you really believe. What (or who) is your *final authority*, you dumb, double-talking, split-tongued, two-faced chameleon? If you were honest, do you know what you'd have to say? You would have to say: "Why, it's *me*; I judge what is or isn't so."

The truth is that such men

have to *use* God's Book because it *is* God's Book. What they *think* or *believe* about it isn't going to affect that Book any more than a dog baying at the moon. They're pragmatists. They *use* it because they found out that it *works*—pragmatism. Drug addicts have the same philosophy. They might as well use the rifle Lee Harvey Oswald used to kill Kennedy: it had "value" to him because it was "pragmatic."

The new "Fundamentalists" are just Dewey, Russell, and James with an Apostles' Creed slung over their shoulder. They are conceited pragmatists. They are for larger incomes, larger enrollments, and larger attendance. They use the AV to keep those things up. They have learned that it works. The *King James*

"works."

The "right way" for them is expediency—whatever works for you in your own way of behavior. In other words, if "your way" is getting drunk, then get the right stuff to get you drunk. Whatever *works* is *right*. It is not right *because* it is right; it is "right" because it *works*—it's expedient.

John Dewey said there should be no *final authority* in the classroom. Well, there *isn't* at Bob Jones or Tennessee Temple or Crown or Liberty or Dallas or Moody or Fuller. There has never been *any* final authority above the *professor*. The "authority" in the average Christian school is a *teacher* whose authority was the books he had read, written by men who worshipped what

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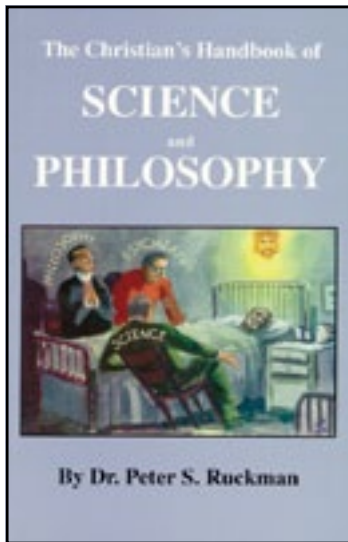
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1. "Birds of a feather flock together." That's a law of nature. It is more fixed than the law of gravity. To build a modern-day Tower of Babel, you have to pretend it's not.

2. "An idle mind is the Devil's workshop." It always has been, and it always will be. That is the trouble with transvestites, queers, and other lazy people in capitalistic countries: they all have time to do something besides trying to get three meals a day.

3. "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom" (Prov. 9:10). It always has been (see Job 28:28), and it always will be (Rev. 14:7, 15:4, 19:5). According to absolute truth (the Holy Scriptures), without the fear of the Lord, you're a blockhead. Christ said you are to fear God before you do anything (Luke 12:5). Any saved man knows the truth of the song: "'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear." It is the world that's stupid and remains stupid (Eph. 4:18).

4. "Wisdom is simply knowing when to be afraid and when not to be afraid." That's all there ever has been to wisdom. When you're afraid of something you should not be afraid of, or when you're not afraid of something you should be afraid of, you're stupid. That is absolute; it is not hidden wisdom at all.

5. "A Smith and Wesson always beats four aces." That's a reference to a dispute in a poker game. A Smith and Wesson (if it's loaded) will always beat four aces. Al Capone used to say: "You can always get more with a kind word and a gun than you can with a kind word alone." Absolutely correct.

6. "Fences make good neighbors; bridges don't." A bridge allows you to get into your neighbor's territory and him to get into yours. When that happens in a society, the cultures are mixed until the whole thing blows to pieces. That is the way it has been since the Tower of Babel and the way it will be until the Kingdom of Death and Hell under the Antichrist. A fence shows what's yours and what's your neighbor's. There is nothing about which to argue as long as the fence keeps you off his property and him off your property.

This is the true "hidden wisdom." You can call it "Ruckman's wisdom" if you like, because I'm pulling it out of hiding places where it has been hidden away so you couldn't get it. I am laying it out so that anybody who can read can get it.

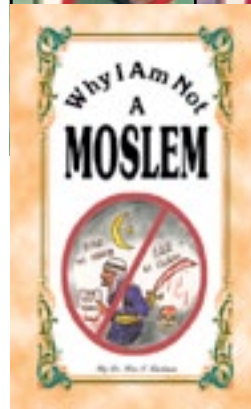
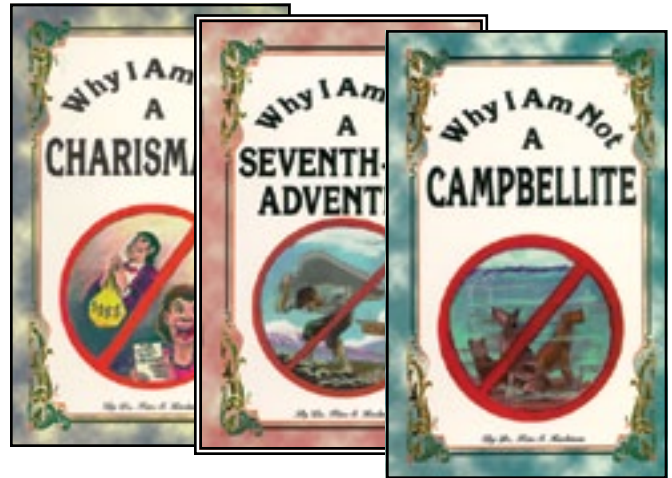
7. "A country gets the government it deserves." That's the rule. That's why the rule of this world was given to Satan (Luke 4:6), and that's why he runs it (2 Cor. 4:4). According to Romans 13:1, that power has been designated to him by God. That's how you get rulers like Obama, Bloody Mary, Hitler, Mao Tse-tung, Castro, Mandela, Clinton, and Arafat.

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8. "Kingdom builders are bloody killers." That's the revelation of *history*. All history teaches that everybody who tried to bring in a kingdom on this earth, *without Christ's presence or God's presence*, wound up getting people killed. There is *not one exception* in sixty centuries.

9. "If it don't make sense, there's a buck in it." You say, "Why?" Because "**the love of money is the root of all evil**" (1 Tim. 6:10). So that verse has been *changed* in all the new "Bibles" so you couldn't find the "wisdom." It wasn't *hidden*; it was right in front of your face in an AV 1611 Bible. It was just *erased*.

10. "A people who will not be ruled by God will be ruled by tyrants." That is 100% accurate. That is Gentile history from Cain and Abel right to where you are sitting right now in 2011. If you'll not be ruled by God, you'll be ruled by tyrants because if you'll not be ruled by God, you fall back under the dictatorship of Satan (Luke 4:6). It is *his world* (2 Cor. 4:4).

11. "The bigger the belfry, the more room for the bats." Absolutely proven. Want a good example? You know the Holocaust through which Hitler put Germany? Remember the 6,000,000 Jews murdered and 6,000,000 people in other groups murdered and the nearly 6,000,000 casualties in battle? Well, Germany was 98% *literate*. America has never even been 90% *literate*. "The bigger the belfry, the more room for the bats."

12. A colored woman gave me this one: "Honey chile, when you ain't got no education, you just got to use yo' brains." That is absolute truth

which has never been surpassed by any philosopher who ever lived.

13. "Life is tough, but it's tougher if you're stupid." That's what John Wayne said. He was a lost man without a brain in his head when it came to *spiritual things*. He died and went to Hell just like Clark Gable and Erroll Flynn and the rest of the Hollywood crowd, but he had one thing *right*: "Life is tough (an *absolute truth*), but it's tougher when you're stupid (*another absolute truth*)."

Now you understand that this is the "hidden wisdom" that no Hindu yogi ever picked up and no philosopher ever found. Here is some more.

14. "That which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God" (Luke 16:15). Jesus Christ said that. If men think a lot of a thing, it isn't worth a flip. Whatever the news media *promotes*, know and understand that it will never be worth a *dumpster full of rags*.

15. "The most beautiful things in the world are usually *useless*." You say, "Like what?" Well, flowers, for instance; like music and art, for instance; like women, for instance. The most beautiful things in the world are usually *useless*. "Isn't the sunset beautiful?" C'mon; get with it! Wake up! "Life is in session. Are you present?" The most beautiful things in the world are *usually useless*.

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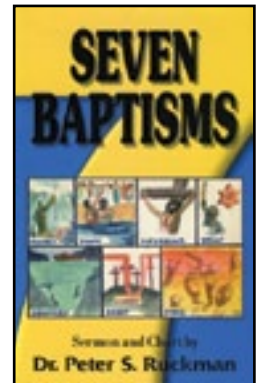
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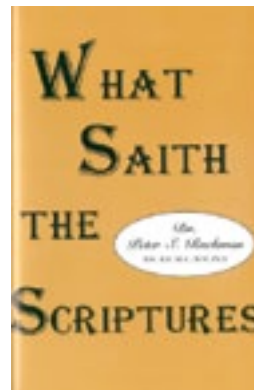
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men thought about what other men said. The authority is *the school* which *uses* a Book it doesn't *believe* to be the final authority. It hires men to correct that Book so *no* student will think it's the final authority. William James, John Dewey, and Bertrand Russell would have been proud of all modern Christian education, at least on the College level.

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HIDDEN WISDOM

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18. "Let God be true, but every man a liar" (Rom. 3:4). There isn't a man who ever lived on this earth who didn't lie sometime.

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19. "Nothing is settled right until it is settled with God." You don't believe it? Just try it out and see how it works.

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21. "Everything takes longer than you think it will." That's another of "Murphy's Laws." There is hardly a case where it doesn't take place.

22. "Keep an open mind, and somebody will dump some garbage in it." That's the way things go in College. If you keep an open mind, somebody will throw some garbage in it every time without fail. You should have a *closed mind*—closed when and where *Jesus Christ* told you to close it (see point 14).

23. "Earth is all of Hell that a Christian will ever see, and this earth is all of Heaven that an unsaved man will ever see." That's from an evangelist—D. L. Moody. He was "right on the money," matching every verse in all 66 books in any version of the Bible you ever picked up. This earth is all of *Hell* with which any born-again Christian will ever

be acquainted, because when he dies, he goes to Heaven. But this earth is all of Heaven with which any unsaved man will ever be acquainted. You unsaved people have to stay awake just as long as you can; you have to be in intensive care or be a vegetable just as long as you can, because once you *leave this earth*, that is *all of Heaven* you will have seen before going off into eternity to the Lake of Fire.

24. "The world never gives you one joy without taking it away from you when you die." You think I'm lying? Check me out and see if I haven't told you the truth. There isn't one joy this world gives you—good food, good music, beautiful women, sports, money, etc.—that it won't take away the moment you die. The only joys you will take into the next world will be the ones *God*

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"But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory . . . Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual" (1 Cor. 2:6, 13).

D. L. Moody and The "Historic Position" Of the Cloned Robots

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Note: that is *not* the "historic position" of the cloned robots whom the jackasses programmed. When they say "the Word of God" and "the Bible," they are *never* referring to any *single book* you can read or study. One of these cloned robots when asked a by a young man where he could find "the Word of God" pointed to his *library shelf*. The books there were the "any other book" about which Moody was talking.

Dwight L. Moody: "It has been a great help to me [in] studying the Bible to study one book at a time. A great many people carry

their hymn books, but it is better to carry your Bible."

Did you see what he just said? He was talking about books that you could study and carry with you. You got that? The jackasses I listed in the first paragraph all say the "Word of God" and the "Bible" are the *original autographs*. They're *not*. You not only can't carry them, you can't even see them to pick them up.

Moody: "I think more of THIS BIBLE (referring to the Bible he believed and used all of his life—the *King James 1611 Authorized Version*) in my hand than all the other Bibles in New York."

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Smith or Curtis Hutson or Bob Jones III or anybody like them. That is *not* the position of the writers of *The International Standard Bible Encyclopedia*, *The Theological Dictionary of the New Testament*, or *The Expositor's Greek New Testament*. Nor is it the position of any recognized, "godly," Fundamental scholar anywhere in the United States since 1980. My, what a gap between Dwight L. Moody and the faculty and staffs of the larg-

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THE CREED OF THE ALEXANDRIAN CULT

1. There is **no final authority** but God.
2. Since God is a Spirit, there is **no final authority** that can be seen, heard, read, felt, or handled.
3. Since all books are material, there is **no book on this earth that is the final and absolute authority** on what is right and what is wrong, what constitutes truth and what constitutes error.
4. There **WAS** a series of writings one time which, **IF** they had all been put into a **BOOK** as soon as they were written the first time, **WOULD HAVE** constituted an infallible and final authority by which to judge truth and error.
5. However, this series of writings was lost, and the God who inspired them was **unable to preserve their content** through Bible-believing Christians at Antioch (Syria), where the first Bible teachers were (Acts 13:1), and where the first missionary trip originated (Acts 13:1-52), and where the word "*Christian*" originated (Acts 11:26).
6. So God chose to **ALMOST** preserve them through Gnostics and philosophers from Alexandria, Egypt, even though God called His Son **OUT** of Egypt (Matthew 2), Jacob **OUT** of Egypt (Genesis 49), Israel **OUT** of Egypt (Exodus 15), and Joseph's bones **OUT** of Egypt (Exodus 13).
7. So there are two streams of Bibles. The most accurate—though, of course, there is **no final, absolute authority** for determining truth and error; it is a matter of "preference"—are the Egyptian translations from Alexandria, Egypt, which are "almost the originals," although not quite.
8. The most **inaccurate translations** were those that brought about the German Reformation (Luther, Zwingli, Boehler, Zinzen-dorf, Spener, et al.) and the worldwide missionary movement of the English-speaking people: the Bible that Sunday, Torrey, Moody, Finney, Spurgeon, Whitefield, Wesley, and Chapman used.
9. But we can "tolerate" these if those who believe in them will "tolerate" US. After all, since there is **NO ABSOLUTE AND FINAL AUTHORITY** that anyone can read, teach, preach, or handle, the whole thing is a matter of "PREFERENCE." You may prefer what you prefer, and we will prefer what we prefer. Let us live in peace, and if we cannot agree on anything or everything, let us all agree on one thing: **THERE IS NO FINAL, ABSOLUTE, WRITTEN AUTHORITY OF GOD ANYWHERE ON THIS EARTH.**

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The truth is, there is no hidden wisdom at all; it has always been perfectly apparent. Read Job 12:12–16 and Job 28:12–28, and then before you get into the "hidden wisdom," remember that many, many years ago (nearly twenty centuries), the Holy Spirit told

you that "all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" are to be found in *one man* (Col. 2:3). That man was the only man wiser than Solomon (Matt. 12:42 cf. 1 Kings 3:12). He *wasn't* a Rosicrucian or a Mason or a Theosophist like Madame Blavatsky with her "secret doctrine" or a Lama finding "lost horizons" in the Himalayan Mountains.

Now, what I'm about to give you is what is known as *practical wisdom*. These are *great truths that work*, and they work *continually*. They have operated in any sex, any class, any color, and any race on six continents for 6,000 years.

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