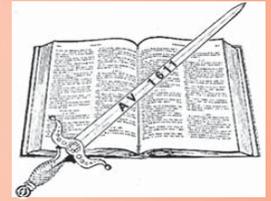




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The Little Black Book

By Dr. Peter S. Ruckman
(Part Two of Three)

In the last issue of the *Bulletin*, we started talking about God's "little black Book," the Holy Bible; specifically, the *Authorized King James Version*. We take that Book to be the "holy scriptures" (Rom. 1:2) in English. We are never talking about the "original manuscripts" or the "original text."

It is the world's *most published* book, going into over a billion copies before 1960 and being translated into more than 160 major languages and 200 dialects. It is the *most criticized, most controversial, and most discussed* book on which you will ever get your hands. It is the *most counterfeited* book, with 233 corrupt versions of it coming off the press since



1880. It is the *most memorized* book in any language; the expressions of the *King James Bible* have been so ingrained in our culture that people quote the Book without even knowing it. But out of the more than 23 million books in the Library of Congress, it is the *most condemned* and *most forbidden* book that has ever shown up on the planet.

At present, the government

of the United States plans to ban the Book (along with the names *God* and *Jesus Christ*) from all its institutions, including the family. As anyone knows, the first "plank" of Karl Marx's *Communist Manifesto* is to get rid of all private property: all property is eventually to wind up in the hands of the Federal government. That means that all property would be subject to the same regulations placed right now on the Federal (formerly public) school system. The movement in America today is toward making the whole country *secularistic, humanistic, and atheistic*.

Right now, you are forbidden to talk about God and Jesus Christ, from a Biblical
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The Holy Scriptures

By Dr. Peter S. Ruckman

If you want to know how to spot any modern apostate (say, like John R. Rice, Curtis Hutson, or Shelton Smith), look at how he avoids using the word *Scripture* when speaking of a *King James Bible*. Recently, Shelton Smith—after finally seeing on which side his bread was buttered after we had kicked his slats out for about twenty years—finally made some statements where he *almost* said it, but *not quite*.

People like Shelton Smith have a nice little way of getting around the truth. They say, "We believe that God has preserved His Word," which is actually saying nothing. The word *Word* (capital W), when referring to the Bible, is a Neo-orthodox designation invented by Barth and Brunner meaning "the MESSAGE of the Bible," not the individual WORDS.

When we talk about "the preserved word of God," we are not talking about any "fundamentals," "principles," or some nebulous Neo-orthodox "message" found in the Bible. We are talking about the W-O-R-D-S of the Scriptures. The promise of the preservation of the Scriptures, as found in the Scriptures, is this:

"The WORDS of the LORD are pure WORDS [not just "the word" or even "the Word"] . . . **Thou shalt keep THEM** ["the WORDS"], **O LORD, thou shalt preserve THEM** ["the WORDS," not

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Delayed Minor Prophets

By Dr. Peter S. Ruckman
(Part One of Two)

Many years ago, I wrote a commentary on the Minor Prophets covering the books of Hosea through Nahum. As soon as I finished, there were demands across the country for the rest of the Minor Prophets. The brethren wanted to know why I didn't finish the book with volume two. The alibi I gave then, I would give now: there was so much in the books of Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi that I could not master and understand that I didn't want to waste the reader's time going through my comments.

Many years ago, a very smart, intellectual Christian asked Sam Jones, the old-

time Methodist evangelist, "What do you do when you find passages in the Bible you don't understand?"

Sam Jones replied, "Well, I just wait and have trust in God that someday I'll understand them."

"But don't you find many things in the Bible you don't understand?" the fellow asked. "Yes," said Sam.

"Well, doesn't that make you wonder about the authenticity of the Bible?" said the intellectual.

Sam laughed and said, "Why, no, it confirms it. If I understood everything in the Bible, I would know somebody wrote it who *didn't have any more brains than I have*."

That's how it goes with me. I've never professed to have

mastered the Bible a day in my life since I was saved on March 14, 1949. There are passages in that Book that I am sure no man can figure out. Every time they try (and then try to apply what they believe to be so), they make the biggest mess of things you ever saw.

Regarding that, there is an S.O.P. (Standard Operating Procedure) which I have followed in those passages with which I have difficulty. You will find it many times in the *Ruckman Reference Bible*, especially in books like Song of Solomon and Zechariah. When I come to a portion of Scripture that I absolutely do not understand, I give the German phrase *Ich weiss nicht*:

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The Student's Corner

The Third Person of the Trinity

By Dr. Peter S. Ruckman

In the Bible, the Holy Spirit is revealed as the Third Person of the Trinity. That is, the Holy Scriptures claim He is a real, living *person*; He is not merely an inanimate force or influence from God.

In the Old Testament, the Holy Spirit was not yet revealed as a person, so you will see places where a small "s" is used. For example, in Genesis 6:3 and Psalm 51:11, the word "spirit" is not capitalized in any *King James Bible*, although it is obviously the Holy Spirit who is being referred to. But when you get to the New Testament, it becomes apparent that the Holy Spirit is a *personality* by the way He reacts to mankind; that is, He has *personal characteristics*.

The Holy Spirit can be resisted by unbelief. Acts 7:51, "Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always RESIST THE HOLY GHOST."

The Holy Spirit can be lied to; He can be tempted. Acts 5:3, 9—"why hath Satan filled thine heart to LIE TO THE HOLY GHOST . . . How is it that ye have agreed together to TEMPT THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD?"

The Holy Spirit can be grieved. Ephesians 4:30, "And GRIEVE NOT THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption."

He can be quenched. "QUENCH NOT THE SPIRIT" (1 Thess. 5:19).

Jesus said the Holy Spirit could be blasphemed. "But he that shall BLASPHEME AGAINST THE HOLY GHOST hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation" (Mark 3:29).

None of those traits are those of a non-living influence or "force." You can't lie to,

grieve, or blaspheme an "influence." The Holy Spirit does things only a *person* can do.

The Holy Spirit displays *intelligence*. "But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for THE SPIRIT SEARCHETH ALL THINGS, yea, the deep things of God" (1 Cor. 2:10).

There are things about the Scriptures you cannot know by mere reading and study. The Holy Spirit has to reveal them to you, or you won't get them. "But the natural man receiveth not THE THINGS OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are SPIRITUALLY DISCERNED" (1 Cor. 2:14).

The Holy Spirit can speak; He can cry out.

Revelation 2:7, "He that hath an ear, let him hear what THE SPIRIT SAITH unto the churches."

Galatians 4:6, "And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON into your hearts, CRYING, Abba, Father."

The Holy Spirit intercedes for us as sons of God. "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but THE SPIRIT ITSELF MAKETH INTERCESSION FOR US with groanings which cannot be uttered" (Rom. 8:26).

Before proceeding on, notice the wording of the *King James* text in that verse: "the Spirit ITSELF." Because it is obvious to the apostate Fundamentalists that the Holy Spirit is indeed a person, they say that the AV here has made an "unfortunate rendering." Corrupt translations such as the RSV, NASV, and NIV change "itself" to "himself" for that reason.

But the "unfortunate rendering" has been made by the *egotistical nuts* who think they are smarter than God Almighty. The Greek word for Spirit is *pneuma*; it's a *neuter* word. The neuter word "itself" is a perfectly correct translation. The reason the Holy Spirit led the *King James* translators to use "itself" in Romans 8:26 is because it is the *work* of the Holy Spirit that is under discussion in that passage, *not* His personality.

Continuing on with the characteristics of the Holy Spirit that show He is a person—the Holy Spirit can testify. John 15:26, "But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, HE SHALL TESTIFY OF ME."

The Holy Spirit teaches. "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, HE SHALL TEACH YOU ALL THINGS, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you" (John 14:26).

The Holy Spirit leads and guides the Christian.

Romans 8:14, "For as many as are LED BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD, they are the sons of God."

John 16:13, "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, HE WILL GUIDE YOU INTO ALL TRUTH: for he shall not speak of himself, but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come" (John 16:13).

So the Holy Spirit is a real person. He is the Third Person of the Godhead (cf. Col. 2:9). The Holy Spirit is just as much God as God the Father and God the Son.

Look back at Acts 5 and



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notice the peculiar substitution made by Peter between verses 3 and 4. "But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to LIE TO THE HOLY GHOST . . . thou hast not lied unto me, BUT UNTO GOD." In that passage, Simon Peter intentionally substituted the word "God" in verse 4 for "Holy Ghost" in verse 3.

The Apostle Paul calls the Holy Spirit God. "NOW THE LORD IS THAT SPIRIT: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty" (2 Cor. 3:17).

There are three great Trinitarian passages in the New Testament, and the Holy Spirit is included in all three.

Matthew 28:19, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

Second Corinthians 13:14, "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen."

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

Of course, when Christians

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The Little Black Book

Continued from 1 perspective, in any Federal establishment: that would be your public schools, your military, and your courthouses and government buildings. Once all property ends up in the hands of the government, then all property is *Federal property*, and the Bible, God, and Jesus Christ can be forbidden just as they are in the public schools and courthouses. That's what Lenin and Stalin did in Russia, and what Mao Tse-tung did in China.

How is this accomplished? The President and Congress implement laws and policies that *bankrupt the country*. Then the government comes along and bails everyone out, making the land the property of the Federal government because the government paid for it. That's a communist set-up like that of Mao, Stalin, Lenin, and Castro; it's not true "Marxism" at all.

The real problem that America faces (that is *never* mentioned by the news media) is the intent of both political parties (Republican and Democrat) to get rid of the Book. The *Christian scholars* pioneered this for the politicians back in 1880. England dumped the Book in 1885 (*RV*), and America dumped it in 1901 (*ASV*). Monumental efforts by the politicians have been made in getting rid of the Book, but they were instigated and encouraged by the Christian scholars, teachers, and leaders.

Of course, this is all prophesied in God's "little black Book." In Revelation 3:8, you were told that only one church kept the word of God (the Reformation church of the Philadelphia church period, 1500-1900), and the rest of them *didn't*. The church that prepares the way for the Antichrist (Laodicea—Rev. 3:14-22) is *apostate* (see 2 Thess. 2:3). The Apostle Paul warned the Body of Christ about them

in 1 Timothy 4:1-2 and 2 Timothy 3:1-7; he warned you that those apostates would be *Bible teachers* (2 Tim. 4:1-4).

The real problem is the Book. The world will never breathe a deep sigh of relief until they have gotten rid of it. The problem is how to do that.

The world loves to find fault with the Holy Bible. It is a hypercritical attitude toward God's authority which originated in Genesis 3. It is the first problem in the Bible: "Yea, hath God said . . . ?" (Gen. 3:1). The first problem that shows up in that Book is *questioning what God said*. That's what the scholars have been doing since 1880.

What has been going on

since 1880 is that while the pastors and congregations of local churches were engaged in combat on the field, the scholars and faculty members of the Christian Colleges, Universities, and Seminaries back in the "rear echelons" did their dirty work in the classrooms where they couldn't be recorded or taped. They caused the young men they trained to find fault with the Book, and when those young men went out into the ministry as pastors, teachers, and evangelists, they passed that hypercritical attitude toward the Scriptures (*AV 1611*) on to their congregations. That's how you got three generations of Christians in this country to

trade in their *King James Bibles* for a load of Alexandrian *hogslop* (*RSV, NRSV, NASV, NIV, NKJV, TLB, NLT, GNB, NEB, NCV, ESV, etc.*).

This hypercritical, negative attitude that finds fault with the *King James Bible* is due to "**evil communications**" (1 Cor 15:33): *bad company* and *bad literature*. In the back of the *Ruckman Reference Bible*, you will find some appendices that are very informative in this regard. In Appendix 21, you will find a section called "Champions of the Holy Bible"; that is a list of men that if you followed them and their teachings, you would come out believing the Book. Over in

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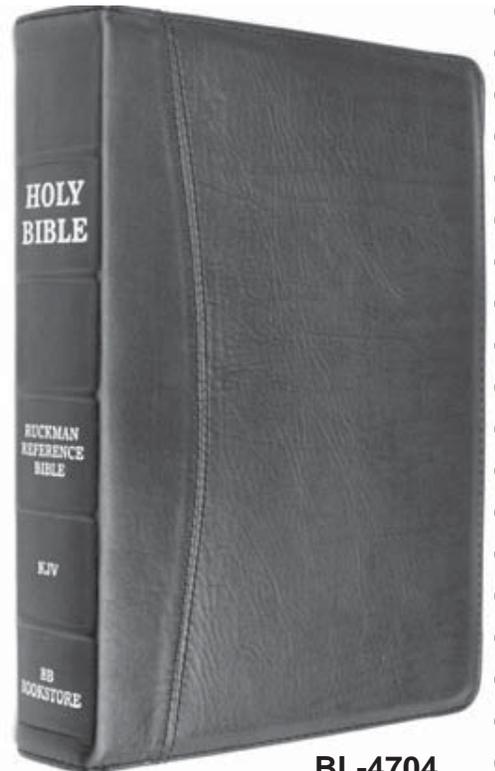
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Delayed Minor Prophets

Continued from 1 that simply means “I don’t know.” I don’t know what the passage means, and I don’t pretend to know.

Nevertheless, some of the brethren here in my church put pressure on me to go through the books of the Minor Prophets I hadn’t covered yet and give the things I did know. So now, the Bookstore finally has Volume II of Minor Prophets in print and available for sale.

I admit, of course, that there are many valuable things in Habakkuk through Malachi that I do understand perfectly. When we stopped our comments on the Minor Prophets at Nahum, these things were missed in the exposition. They are now available to the student of the word of God.

Of course, they are accompanied by verse after verse that I never could master. When I say “never,” I say that after having carefully read through those passages more than 150 times with no light on them. I can give you the cross-references on the passages; I can occasionally make practical application on them. But when it comes to giving you the doctrinal meaning of those passages (remembering that **“all scripture is given by inspiration of God”** FIRST for **“doctrine,”** 2 Tim. 3:16), I have nothing to say but *“Ich weiss nicht.”*

So before giving you the passages on which I am clear, the passages on which you should have some kind of a comment from a man who professes to be a Bible believer, I believe you should know something about why I didn’t want to join the brethren in handling verses I didn’t understand. The present condition of total apostasy in the world—religiously, socially, politically, and economically—is due to *higher Christian education*. Martin Luther warned you about this way back

around 1520. He told you that if institutions of higher learning didn’t center on the Bible and deal with the Bible continually, that the Devil would use them and they would do more harm than good. How an old Kraut back in the Sixteenth Century could outthink this bunch of modern, computerized, intellectual jackasses, I don’t know, but he did.

They all missed the sixth grade English of the *King James Bible* in 1 Corinthians 1:21 as well.

“For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom [“BY WISDOM”—did you get that? He’s talking about the wisdom of man that comes through higher education] knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching [what would be “lower education,” the education based on the Bible, like Luther said] to save them that believe.”

Do you know what Jesus Christ said about higher education? He said:

“I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent [higher education], and hast revealed them unto babes [lower education]” (Luke 10:21).

The Bible definitely has something against higher education; that’s perfectly evident. The Scriptures give higher education as the cause of a man’s damnation. The last warning the Apostle Paul gave Christians before the total apostasy of the Body of Christ (1 Tim. 4:1–2; 2 Tim. 3:1–7) was to avoid **“profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of SCIENCE FALSELY SO CALLED”** (1 Tim. 6:20).

All the new “Bibles” that are based on the “science” of textual criticism change that word **“science”** to *“knowledge.”* Well, you are told in Colossians 2:3 that **“all the treasures of wisdom and**

knowledge” are found in *one man*. That’s the **“man”** who is the **“one mediator between God and men”** (1 Tim. 2:5); it is the man whose **“name . . . is above every name”** (Phil. 2:9). It is *Jesus Christ*.

The Apostle Paul warned you about the two subjects of higher education that would cause you to apostatize from the wisdom found in Christ Jesus. He warned you about

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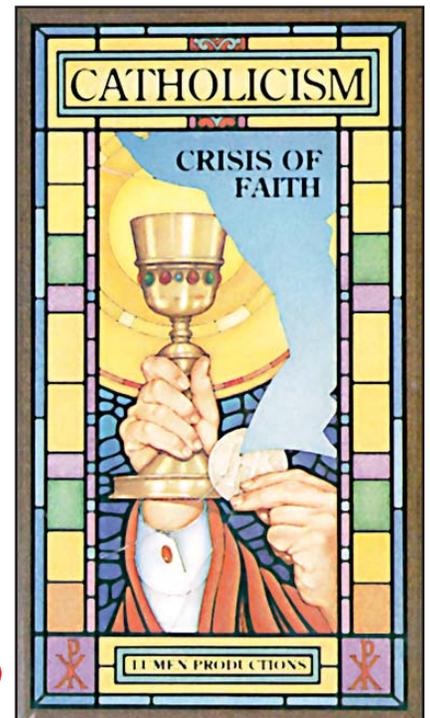
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“the words”] **from this generation for ever**” (Psa. 12:6–7).

So when we talk about “the preservation of the word of God,” we are not talking about the same thing at all. We are talking about the individual words as recorded in a Book, the Holy Bible. It is called the Holy Bible because in the Scriptures it is called “**the holy scriptures**” (see Rom. 1:2; 2 Tim. 3:15).

The way to spot these hypocrites is simple. Get them to say that they have a copy of the Holy Scriptures and it’s a *King James Bible*, or that the Holy Bible is the *King James Bible* because it’s the Holy Scriptures. They won’t say it “for love nor money.” They will say *anything but that*. They will say, “The Bible is the holy Word of God,” or “the Bible is God’s Word,” or “the Bible is the greatest book in the world,” or “the Bible is the preserved Word of God”; but they won’t say the *King James Version* is the Holy Scriptures because if they did, they know you’d catch them in a BALD-FACED LIE!

You see, every one of these apostate hypocrites teach that when Paul wrote “**all SCRIPTURE is given by inspiration of God**” in 2 Timothy 3:16, that that’s a reference only to *the original autographs*. But look at the verse right before it (after all, a text without a context is a pretext):

“**And that from a child thou hast known the holy SCRIPTURES, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation**” (2 Tim. 3:15).

That is where the whole crew of apostates go right to the bottom of Davey Jones’ locker. The word *Scripture* shows up in both verses 15 and 16, showing clearly—unquestionably, without one reasonable dissenting opinion from anyone, anywhere, living or dead—that the Scriptures which were “**given by inspi-**

ration” were the Scriptures on which Timothy was raised.

Now, the only way any apostate Fundamentalist could disconnect verse 16 from verse 15 would be by running to the original Greek to point out that the word for Scripture in verse 15 is *grammata*, while the one in verse 16 is *graphe*. But this would prove nothing, since either word in Greek, in the context of 2 Timothy 3:15–16, refers to the words of God written down, that someone in the First Century was reading: They had it in their laps looking at it.

If these rascals who dedicated themselves to seducing the saints and deceiving them (see a list of 320 of them in *The Christian Liar’s Library*) were to apply themselves, they might come up with a brand new doctrine. All they would have to do is claim that although all *graphe* was “**given by inspiration of God**,” what Timothy had was not because it was *gram-*

mata and not *graphe*. That would give you *two* sets of Scripture: *inspired* Scriptures and *uninspired* Scriptures. That’s exactly what you find in the RV of 1885, the ASV of 1901, and the “New” ASV of 1963. In all three of those grossly corrupt translations, 2 Timothy 3:16 reads: “*Every scripture inspired of God is profitable*,” implying that there are some Scriptures that are NOT “*inspired of God*.” Two sets; count ‘em: a one; a two.

That was not an accident or a coincidence. It was done intentionally to divorce verse 15 from verse 16 so that the Scriptures Timothy had were not “**given by inspiration**.” After all, he didn’t have the original autographs of Genesis, Psalms, 1 & 2 Samuel, Isaiah, Ezekiel, Jeremiah, Daniel, or anything else. Whatever manuscripts Timothy was reading and studying were ones that had the breath of God on them (the word for “**inspiration of God**” in Greek, *theopneustos*, means

“God-breathed”). The apostates who translated the RV, ASV, and NASV try to make it look like Timothy didn’t have the “real thing” when it came to the Scriptures, since neither Timothy nor Paul ever saw an “original” of any Old Testament book a day in his life.

You wouldn’t believe the stinking hoax perpetrated by the Fundamentalists at this point. John R. Rice (*Our God-Breathed Bible*), Louis Gausson (*Theopneustia*), Lorraine Boettner (*Inspiration of the Scriptures*), Basil Manly (*Doctrine of Inspiration Explained*), et al., all went to the bottom like a lead sinker. You see, they all taught that *no one* in Paul or Timothy’s day ever had any God-breathed Scripture to read, because in that day, all Paul or Timothy had of the Old Testament were copies of copies of copies or translations; and as any graduate of Bob Jones University, Tennessee Temple University, Liberty University, Continued on 7

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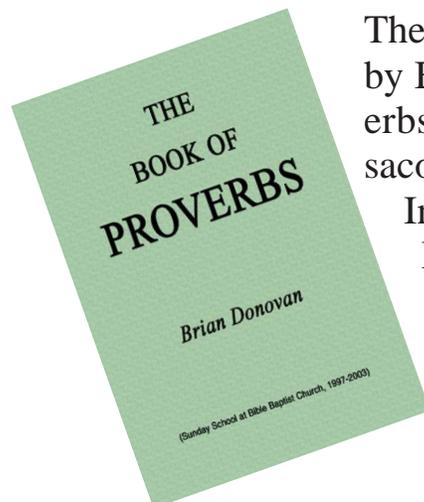
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Appendix 61, there is a section called "Sampling of Apostate Laodiceans"; if you followed those men, you would come out not believing any Bible is "the holy scriptures" (2 Tim. 3:15). "Bad company will smut you every time."

In Appendix 27, you will find two lists. One is the "Bible Believer's Bibliography." It is a list of books that will build up your faith in the *Authorized Version* of the Holy Bible. Then there is "The Unbeliever's Bibliography"; it is what I call "the official Laodicean library." It is a collection of works whose sole purpose is to replace faith in what God said with faith in the *opinions of scholars*—"Scholarship Onlyism." "Keep an open mind, and someone will dump some garbage in it."

This attack on the *King James Version* of the Holy Bible is marked by an all-consuming desire to prove to the Body of Christ that the scholars are able to correct what God said in His Book; therefore, the scholars are entitled to as much honor and respect as God Himself. It is a paranoid, egomaniacal exhibition of the old, Adamic nature in the Christian. It is the same kind of spirit that leads a Roman Catholic Archbishop to take one rank higher than the Lord Jesus Christ (see 2 Pet. 2:25, where Jesus Christ is called a "Bishop"); and if that weren't enough, just to make sure you understand that they are entitled to as much honor and respect as God Almighty, the wine-drinking, Bible-rejecting, blasphemous Popes all claimed the title reserved for God the Father: "Holy Father" (see John 17:11).

All of these attacks on the "little black Book" come from a laziness and a willful ignorance that will not "search the scriptures" (John 5:39; Acts 17:11). The biggest reason for this is that no major Christian leader has ever seen a verse

of Scripture. They all teach that the Scriptures which were "given by inspiration of God" (2 Tim. 3:16) are only the "original autographs," and of course, none of them have ever seen or read a copy of the "originals."

They forgot that *Jesus Christ* had the Scriptures that He used as the final authority, and they weren't the "originals" (Luke 4:17-21). The Bereans "searched the scriptures" (Acts 17:11), and they didn't have one original autograph of anything in Genesis through Malachi. If that weren't enough, the Ethiopian eunuch was reading the Scripture in Isaiah 53 (Acts 8:32), and he didn't have the original of Isaiah any more than Christ did back in Luke 4. Timothy

read from "the holy scriptures" from the time he was "a child" (2 Tim. 3:15), and he didn't have any "original manuscripts" or "autographs" or any other "originals." Nobody in the New Testament (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Paul, James, Peter, Jude, et. al.) had any "original" of any Old Testament book; and yet they all had the Scriptures, read the Scriptures, searched the Scriptures, studied the Scriptures, quoted the Scriptures, preached the Scriptures, and believed the Scriptures; and "ALL SCRIPTURE is given by inspiration of God" (2 Tim. 3:16).

So this is a willful ignorance among scholars. They will not deal with the Book they are tearing up; they don't

even know where the verses are. They absolutely refuse to give the AV the benefit of the doubt, but they will give themselves the benefit of the doubt every time. That is what creates the problem with these apostates.

For example, no one who ever corrected the AV Holy Bible (not one scholar or translator behind any revision or any edition, published by anyone) ever spent one minute in the introduction talking about the "fruits" of the new versions as compared with the "fruits" of the *King James*. Jesus Christ told you the test of "a good tree" and "a bad tree" (Matt:17:17-19): He said, "by their fruits ye shall know them" (Matt. 7:20). The

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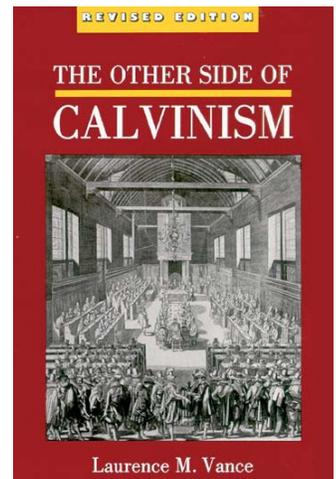


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them teaches that no transla-
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crazy; they're nuts; they're
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was raised on "the holy
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to 2 Timothy 3:16. What a
wicked woman Timothy had
for a mother! What a cultist!
What a "King James Onlyism"
fanatic! Why didn't someone
who was "ever learning, and
never able to come to the
knowledge of the truth" (2
Tim. 3:7) deliver the woman
to "Satan for the destruction
of the flesh" (1 Tim. 1:20 cf. 1
Cor. 5:5) for teaching such an
injurious doctrine as having in-
spired Scriptures that weren't
the original autographs?!

Timothy believed that what
he was reading was "scrip-
ture . . . given by inspiration
of God," and the Holy Spirit,
the Author of the Scriptures,
told Paul to record what he
wrote in 2 Timothy 3:15, know-
ing that all Timothy had were
copies of the Holy Scriptures.
Look at what the Bible says
about the word *Scripture*. This
is what John R. Rice, Curtis
Hutson, and Shelton Smith
couldn't deal with.

"Did ye never read in the
scriptures" (Matt. 21:42).

What a useless question for
Jesus Christ to ask if the word

Scriptures referred only to the
original autographs. Of course
those Jews "never read in
the scriptures" because they
didn't have the originals.

Mark 12:24, "ye know not
the scriptures."

Why say that? They
couldn't know them anyway
if they were the original au-
tographs. What would be
the point of saying you didn't
know them when it would be
obvious to anyone that no
one could know them because
they didn't have them.

Luke 4:21, "This day is
this scripture fulfilled in
your ears."

Nonsense again, if the
"scripture" is the original au-
tograph. No synagogue in the
Gospel of Luke had the origi-
nal autograph of Isaiah, and if
it did, then it was stolen by the
Ethiopian eunuch because he
had it in Acts 8:32; that is, if
"the scripture" is the original
autographs.

Acts 17:11, "These were
more noble than those in
Thessalonica, in that they
received the word with all
readiness of mind, and
searched the scriptures
daily, whether those things
were so."

They did nothing of the
kind. Nobody in Berea had
any originals to search. No-
body in Acts 17 ever saw an
original autograph of Genesis,
Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers,
Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges,
Ruth, or any other Old
Testament book.

Romans 15:4, "that we
through patience and com-
fort of the scriptures might
have hope."

Are you crazy? The Scrip-
tures couldn't comfort anybody
according to every apostate
Fundamentalist in America.
Why not? *Because nobody
has the original autographs*. It
is impossible to receive com-
fort from some lost scraps of
paper and vellum that no one
has ever seen. Are you mad?

They are just as mad as

a hatter, boy! They are more
screwed up than a crippled
tornado.

Now has the reader gotten
the message yet? All right,
here it is—52 on the table
face up, over the plate waist
high, straight shot right out
of the barrel and dead center
in the bull's eye: neither the
Holy Spirit nor the Holy Bible
ever use the term *Scripture* as
any modern Greek or Hebrew
scholar uses it—*never*. The
cultic "private interpreta-
tion" (see 2 Pet. 1:20) of what
they *think* the word means
is completely ignored by the
Holy Spirit in both Testaments.
There is not one word in *either*
Testament of *any* Bible—*any*
edition of *any* version that has
been printed since A.D. 90.

No one in either Testament
even suggests that the Scrip-
tures were unavailable manu-
scripts that contained "original
autographs." No matter how
"godly" and "dedicated" the
Fundamentalist is who uses
such cultic terminology, it is
*anti-scriptural, anti-biblical,
and anti-Christian*. It is found
in the mouth of *no Christian*
in the New Testament and *no
saint* in the Old Testament. It is
the non-biblical, non-Christian
language of an egotistical,
paranoid, Nicolaitan *nut* who
thinks he is smart enough to
change what God said in the
Scriptures. It's the language of
idiots who have been educat-
ed beyond their intelligence.

According to the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Scriptures are *words
you can read*. Timothy read
them, Paul read them, Christ
read them, the Ethiopian read
them, the Bereans read them,
and the Rabbis were com-
manded to read them. If you
can't read them, then the God
who inspired them was not
able to preserve them, and
He wouldn't have commanded
you to read them. No number
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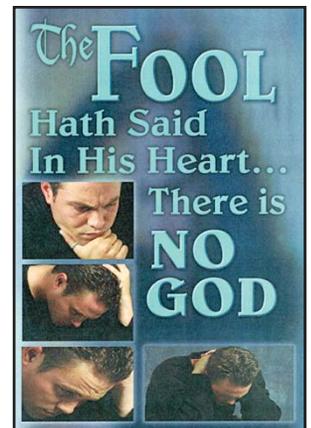
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The Third Person of the Trinity

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 speak of the Trinity, they are not talking about three separate Gods like Mohammed thought (Sura 4:171, 17:111). Those of us who believe the Book say that God Almighty is *one God* manifested in *three persons*. When it comes to spiritual things like the nature and person of the Holy Spirit, no Moslem knows any more about what he is saying when he finishes than when he starts. You take a bucket of water: without changing the bucket or the water, that water can be *solid* (ice), *gaseous* (vapor), or *liquid* (water). It's not three different buckets of water; it's *one* bucket of water with *three* different characteristics, or manifestations. That's a picture of the Trinity.

One of the names of the Holy Spirit in the Scriptures is the "**Holy Ghost.**" The apostate Fundamentalists and Conservatives don't like this title, so they will change it in all the corrupt translations.

The reason the term *Holy Ghost* should be retained in our English Bible is because it is an advanced revelation found only in the *Authorized Version*. You see, a ghost is the spirit of someone who died but is still around after that person is dead. Well, the Holy Spirit is "**the Spirit of Christ**" (Rom. 8:9). Jesus Christ died and rose again, and His Spirit—His "Ghost"—is still around here on earth after His body went up to Heaven (Acts 1–2).

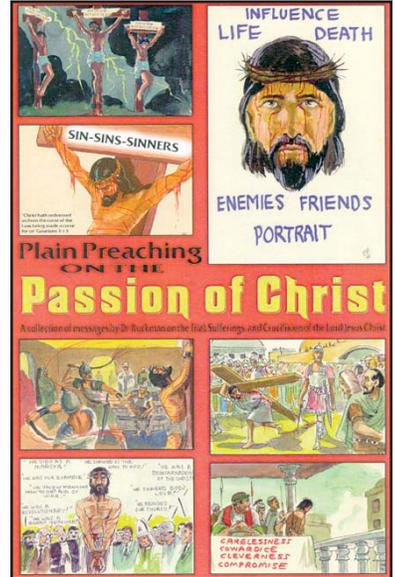
In fact, if you study out the matter, you would reach the conclusion that Jesus Christ is the Holy Spirit incarnate as a man. The body of the Lord Jesus was conceived by the Holy Ghost (Luke 1:35; Matt. 1:18). Jesus Christ was the only man to whom the Holy Spirit was given without measure (John 3:34). The Holy

Spirit is sent in the name of Jesus Christ (John 14:26). The Holy Spirit speaks of and glorifies Jesus Christ (John 14:26, 15:26, 16:13–14). And Jesus Christ indwells the believer in the person of the Holy Spirit (Col. 1:27 cf. Rom. 8:9; 1 Cor. 6:19).

As God, the Holy Spirit is involved in *creation* (Gen. 1:2), the ministry of Jesus Christ (Matt. 3:16–4:1; Rom. 8:11), and salvation (John 3:5–8; Rev. 22:17), among other things. But most importantly, it is the Holy Ghost of God who gave you "**the holy scriptures**" (2 Tim. 3:15–16 cf. 2 Pet. 1:20–21) and testifies of *their final authority* in all matters of faith and practice (2 Pet. 1:19–20). If there is anyone who teaches you that the *King James Bible* is the "word of God" and "**the holy scriptures**" (Rom. 1:2), it will be the *Holy Spirit* (1 Cor. 2:10–14); it won't be "Ruckman."

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Delayed Minor Prophets

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"science" (1 Tim. 6:20), and he warned you about "PHILOSOPHY."

"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" (Col. 2:8).

Two of the greatest verses in the Bible that show that all higher Christian education in America today is of *Satan* are found in Isaiah 66:2 and Genesis 3:6. In Isaiah 66:2, the Lord says this: "but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and TREMBLETH AT MY WORD."

You won't find anyone in higher Christian education today who ever trembles at anything God ever said. Take the faculties and staffs of every major Christian College, University, and Seminary in America today—every one of them, without exception, no matter what their profession—none of them tremble at God's word. They will change any verse they don't believe, don't like, or don't understand. They will do it by going to "THE Hebrew" or "THE Greek," or by "private interpretation" (2 Pet. 1:20), or by making it spiritual and figurative instead of literal. That is what higher Christian education of any sort has done in the whole Bible from cover to cover.

And that is what brings up the second verse that shows you that modern higher Christian education is of the Devil—Genesis 3:6. When your great-great-great-great (etc.) grandmother (Eve) questioned what God said, she believed the Devil, did you know that? When she did that, she went to Satan's "Seminary" to get "higher education." Look at Genesis 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 [higher education!], she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat."

And with that follows sixty centuries of death, dying, tears, sorrow, torture, wars, oppression, bankruptcies, hurricanes, murders, rapes, and crime. Paul said, "the world BY WISDOM knew not God."

You say, "Ruckman, you're just knocking higher Christian education." No, I'm just throwing it out the window because its job is to destroy your faith in what God said in His Book.

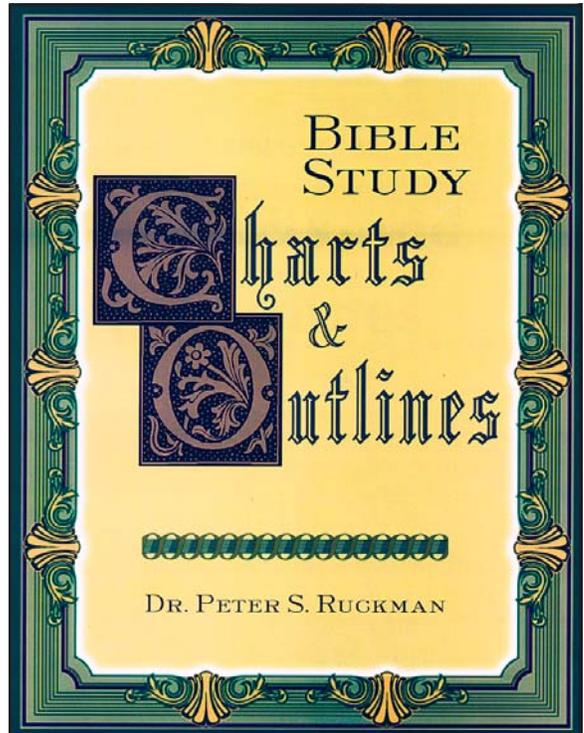
If I had written this second volume on the Minor Prophets using the SOP that all the scholars follow (all the "recognized" ones), then every time I came to a passage in the Minor Prophets that I didn't like or didn't believe or didn't understand, do you know what I would do? I would resort to the "higher academic standards" of the scholars and intellectuals who believe in higher Christian education, and I would get rid of the verse.

I don't have to "prove" one thing I just said. It has been proven more than 233 times since 1880. That's how many corrupt English "Bibles" there are that have been put out to replace the *King James Bible*.

How do you destroy faith in the Bible? Higher Christian education: that's how it's done. You are in a situation right now where all the churches put together, along with all the preachers, cannot do anything because they've rejected final authority. Their authority is their opinions

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The Holy Scriptures

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 lem that every verse in either Testament belies the teaching that only the “verbally inspired original autographs” are the subject of 2 Timothy 3:15–16.

That teaching is the teaching of a non-biblical cult. We call it the “Alexandrian Cult” because that is where the teaching came from: Alexandria, Egypt. The teaching is a crutch used by this bunch of apostate, Nicolaitan Alexandrians; it is a pile of manure. If you take it at face value, it means that there were no Bible believers on the RV committee, the ASV committee, the RSV committee, the NASV committee, the NKJV committee, the ESV committee, or any committee like them.

When pressed for an exact doctrinal statement on what they actually believe, these backslidden, worldly apostates come up with a mythological definition about the original autographs found nowhere in the Bible. They read it out of some other book somewhere. That is what the Scriptures never mean one time in the Scriptures. That’s why the apostates chose the definition, because they hate the Scriptures and love themselves.

Notice how carefully these obfuscating hypocrites choose their words. They are careful never to say “Scripture” in reference to the Authorized Version. Let’s take two examples: Wallie Criswell and Truman Dollar.

Criswell: “The preacher who starts with the Word of God (not the Scriptures) in his hands, stands upon an invincible, impregnable rock. When you come to my church, it will be a message from the Book (not the Scriptures). The Bible (not the Scriptures) is the infallible Word of God (not the Scriptures). God wrote it down, and we can open this sacred Book (not the Scriptures) and read its holy words.”

Dollar: “We will not be a friend of the world as long as we are true to this Book (not Scripture). Preach this Book (not the Scriptures). I want to lace my sermons with the Word of God (not the Scriptures); I want to fill my sermons with the Book (not the Scriptures). Preach it. Don’t lose it and don’t change it.”

Did Dollar mean what he said? No, he got on the NKJV committee and changed it in 500 places. Ditto Criswell. Why? Because despite seemingly good professions, neither one of them had ever seen the Scriptures. Why not? Because both of them believed the Scripture referred to in 2 Timothy 3:16 was only the original autographs.

When John R. Rice wrote *Our God-Breathed Bible*, he wasn’t referring to any Bible at which any of his readers had ever looked; he was talking about the originals. He lied: he lied right in the title of his book. The Bible is a book (that’s what the word Bible means). The originals were never collected and put in any book on the face of this earth: they were never all in one book. John R. Rice was “deceiving, and being deceived” (cf. 2 Tim. 3:13).

All right, to finish it up. There are only two kinds of Christians in America: those who believe the Holy Bible is “the holy scriptures” and those who don’t. I did not create that schism. That was the work of the Holy Spirit more than 1,900 years before I was born (see 1 Thess. 2:13). We do not just refer to the AV as the “verbally inspired, inerrant word (or Word) of God”; we refer to it as the Holy Scriptures. We believe the AV is the Holy Bible because it is the *Scriptures in English*. It is inerrant, infallible, and preserved by the grace of God in our language, with the words God wants us to have. That is our position, it has been our position, and

it will continue to be our position “until hell freezes over,” as they say in “koine” American.

We don’t hesitate at all to say that the *King James Version* of the Holy Bible is the Holy Scriptures in the English language. Any honest man could say it just like that if he believed it. The fact that men like Shelton Smith can’t come out and say that just shows you that they are crooked as a dog’s hind leg and are so crooked that they have to screw their socks on in the morning.

We believe the AV was given to us by God in spite of its translators, revisers, Kingly advice, name, time in history, attending circumstances, or anything else; we never have

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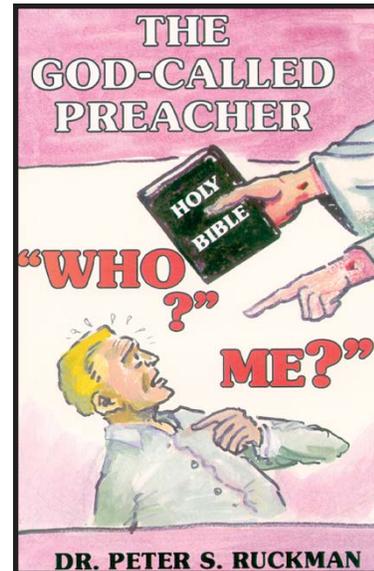
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The Little Black Book

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 scholars, revisers, and translators just pretend Jesus Christ never said that verse.

Furthermore, you will never see a discussion from then on: **“a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump”** (1 Cor. 5:6; Gal. 5:9). And if that were not enough, to the amazement of anybody who has studied the Bible, after reading and studying in the Book where every dispensation ends in apostasy (including the Millennium—Rev. 20), these fellows don't have one word to say about the end of the Church Age. They teach that the church just before the Rapture (Laodicea) ends with better “Bibles” than the church that kept God's word (Philadelphia). Do you know what you end up with? You end up with a **“man”** (2 Thess. 2:3) who is Satan incarnate (2 Thess. 2:7–9), who has over 233 corrupt translations in the universal language of the end times (*English*) promoting and pushing his work (see Gail Riplinger's book *New Age Bible Versions*).

What has gone wrong, that has created the condition in which America presently finds itself, is an absolute refusal to deal with the facts. The apostate Christians live in a Disneyland dream world of Tinkerbell and Alice in Wonderland. *What are the fruits of the King James?*

You say, “Well, none of them claimed it was inspired, so it couldn't be inspired.” I am not talking about that. Why are you trying to avoid the truth? I am asking you about the truth of *history*. Do you know the history of the Bible? Then, *what are the fruits of the King James Bible?*

Do you know anything about them at all? Do you know what the fruits of the RV in 1885 were in England? Do you know what fruit the ASV of 1901 produced in America? Do you know the consequences of all the godless slop put

out since 1952 (RSV)? *What are the fruits?*

You mean to tell me that the “cause” is not connected to the “effect”? Do you mean to tell me that after selling over a billion copies before 1960, you don't know the fruits of the world's best seller? Where did you go to school? With Obama in Kenya or Indonesia?

Somewhere along the line, all the Christians have forgotten that all “godly Fundamentalists” have an old nature (Rom. 6–7). All “godly Fundamentalists” sin, regardless of their “secondary separation.” These people, who have led you right up to the edge of the Bottomless Pit right before the Antichrist shows up, are guilty of *lying* (Rom. 16:18; Prov. 30:6; Jer. 23:26) and *infidelity* (1 Thess. 2:13; Luke 24:25; John 5:46–47). They manifest **“the pride of life”** (1 John 2:16 cf. Rom. 12:16; Luke 10:21). They show that they fear man rather than fearing God (Prov. 29:25; Mark 4:17; Jer 17:5).

Their personality in the classroom is that of a super fleshy egotist (3 John 9; Jude 16). They have perverted the word of God now for over 130 years (Jer. 23:30, 36; 2 Cor. 2:17). They have taught rebellion against God (1 Kings 13:21; Gen. 3:1–6). They all “walk by sight” (2 Cor 5:7 cf. Heb. 11:1).

Their teachings have split churches all over America (cf. John 7:42–43). They have probably put young men out

of the ministry at the rate of better than 5,000 a year for the last 130 years. No Fundamental scholar can be “recognized” until he publicly attacks the *King James* text; this proves that it is the highest authority on earth. All the Fundamentalists who correct it are just following “Mother Eve” (see Gen. 3:3 cf. 2:16–17). They desire to “play God” for the Church.

The real reason they brag about the “verbal plenary inspiration” of the originals is

cowardice. They are afraid to defend the text of the *King James* Bible before a bunch of lost highly educated infidels, so they retreat to “original autographs” that cannot be produced and therefore cannot be refuted one way or another. It is desertion in combat.

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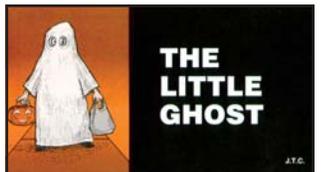
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Delayed Minor Prophets

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The preachers have been disarmed to the point where they can't scare anybody or cause anybody to tremble at what God said. As a consequence, they look like fools. The preachers' authority was taken from them, and they had to rely on a false authority—the opinions and preferences of the scholars. Once that was done, it affected every local church where those preachers got into the pulpit: every one of them whether they were Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, Church of God, Assembly of God, Episcopalian, etc. It's the same operation.

If I were to operate like those guys do, when I went through the Minor Prophets and I was faced with a verse I didn't understand or that disagreed with what I had been taught, the trick would be to make you think I am the interpreter of the Scriptures by *altering the verse and getting rid of it*. That is what all of them do; there is not one exception in the lot. That will go for Scofield, Bullinger, Henry, McGee, and the whole crew. When they hit a verse they can't get, they go to the Hebrew or the Greek to get rid of what it says. That way they become the Holy Spirit.

Listen, people! It's the *Holy Spirit* that's the Interpreter of the Scripture (Gen. 41:16; Dan. 2:28). It's not any Pope, Bishop, Archbishop, Cardinal, Priest, church, school, teacher, dictionary, or lexicon.

If I were like this bunch in all the Christian schools, whenever I came across something in the Minor Prophets I didn't like or couldn't understand (or wouldn't believe!), I would either say the *King James* translated it wrong and then

I would go to the Hebrew (or the Greek *Septuagint*) and change it to make it say what I wanted it to say, or else I would spiritualize it and make it figurative so it didn't have any actual historical or prophetic application.

Long before Billy Sunday quit preaching and Billy Graham tried unsuccessfully to take his place, this country was shot in its churches. Thus, when someone finally got up and said that it was unconstitutional to have prayer and Bible reading in the public schools, the churches couldn't legitimately say anything about it. You see, the teachers in the Christian Colleges, Universities, and Seminaries had been knocking whatever they didn't like out of the Bible for years before any Supreme Court judge knocked it out of the schools. The faculties and staffs of the Christian schools have been doing that for decades, so the government just followed suit. By that time, there weren't enough people who believed the Book to raise a squeak in Congress.

You hear these Christian nuts talking about revival, and America repenting and getting back to God—*America couldn't get back to God in an F-15, no matter what it did*. Why? Because the teachers in it—saved or lost, Protestant or Catholic—have decided that there is no final authority higher than their opinions and preferences about the opinions and preferences of their mentors, role models, and fellow classmates. That is, *they have no final authority*.

That's where all the problems originate. They have no final authority, so they just whine about everything that's going wrong. They will do that until the whole country caves in and falls to pieces. The attitude a minister takes toward final authority determines what his congregation takes to be

the final authority, and that is passed on to the town or city, then the State, and eventually to the nation. For all practical purposes, you have an atheistic government led by higher Christian education, beginning with Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and Dartmouth, and coming right on through to the University of Chicago, Baylor, and five dozen others, including the Fundamentalist institutions.

For me to teach the Minor Prophets as those guys do, all I would have to do every time I'm stumped is change the text, recommend a “better” text, run to the Hebrew or Greek to get rid of the text, or spiritualize the text to make you think I know about what I'm talking WHEN I DON'T. When I get through, you would think that I am the interpreter of the Scripture because I have so much power and authority that I can *change the Bible*. Therefore the Bible is not the final authority; I AM! Can't you get that? And if not me, then whoever I am following to make the changes would be the final authority; God doesn't enter into the equation.

If you want to know why I delayed writing the second half of the Minor Prophets, that's why. On several passages I was just plain lost, and I refused to take the path of the apostates.

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If this bunch of apostate reprobates believe that only the original autographs are inspired, where is their proof? I have read about two dozen books on the subject of inspiration, and in every single one of them, the authors quote an uninspired *King James Bible* ("no translation is inspired," remember?) or copies of copies of a Greek text that was miscopied by scribes as evidence that some pieces of paper nobody ever saw were "plenary inspired."

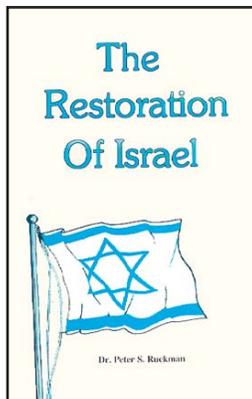
The only verse these godless, depraved, lying reprobates have to prove that only the originals are inspired is 2 Peter 1:21. In that verse, Peter doesn't mention anybody inspiring any *written* thing. It says, "**holy men of God SPAKE as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.**" Every reprobate who ever wrote on inspiration quoted that verse to prove that only the original autographs were inspired. *It wasn't a reference to anybody's autographs*; it was a reference to what "**holy men of God**" SPOKE. All these birds had to change the verse to say "wrote" in order to teach a lie. Birds of a feather flock together.

I don't have to look very far

to know who my people are. They read the Holy Scriptures; they quote the Holy Scriptures. When they say "Turn in the *Scriptures* to such-and-such a place," they take a copy of the *Scriptures* and turn to the *Scripture*.

This other bunch isn't my crowd. They make their living by lying. When they read, quote, memorize, and preach "the Scripture," they don't mean "the Scripture" at all. They mean an *uninspired* "reliable translation," or Greek or Hebrew text, which they "prefer" because the "**scripture**" that is "**given by inspiration of God**" to *them* is only the "original autographs." They propagated that lie knowing perfectly well that the word *Scripture* in *any Bible* is *never* a reference to *any* "verbal, plenary inspired originals."

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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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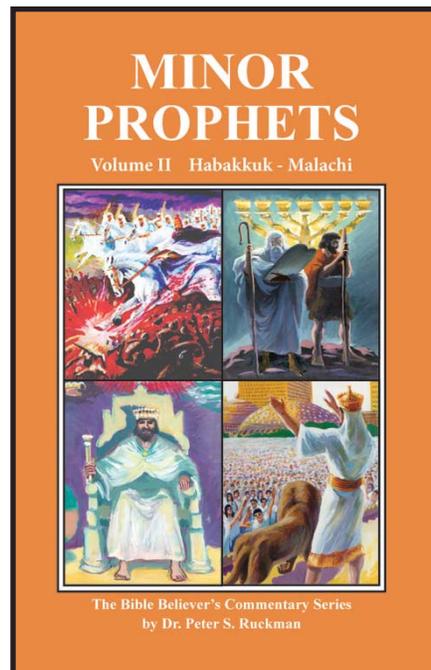
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