

## INTRODUCTION TO FINAL AUTHORITY (King James Bible)

### 5 Week Study Subject Matter

Week # 1 Introduction

Week # 2 The Men/Women and The Manuscripts (Translators/Translations compared)

Week # 3 Two Things That Are Different Cannot Be The Same (An in depth comparison of the versions)

Week # 4 Common Attacks & Myths Answered

**FIRST AND FOREMOST---THIS STUDY IS IN NO WAY AN ATTACK ON ANY PERSONAL INDIVIDUAL WITHIN OUR CHURCH...Many people ignore the facts given to them due to the fact they are immediately placed in defense mode because they believe any attack on the Bible they are using is a personal attack on their Christianity.** You can be a God fearing, soul winning, born again Christian and not use the King James Version. However, the intent of this study is to reveal to you that you are not using the most efficient/effective weapon and you have been deceived by Satan and modern scholarship into accepting a flawed version of God's perfect Word. In other words, you have been tricked into deviating from the complete Word of God. My objective is to build your faith in the Word of God and prove that there is a perfect and inerrant Word of God still available today as found in the King James Bible.

Preference--You would prefer it one way, but if it so happens that way is not an option, you will accept another.

Conviction---Something you are willing to fight and die for while accepting no substitute or other options.

**\*\*GOD HATES NICOLAITANISM**-----Rev. 2:6---Nicolaitanism is the priestly class ruling over the people.... That is exactly what "scholarship" today tries to do to their congregations..."We are educated and you are stupid" is the prevailing attitude..."Rely on us to tell you what God says."....

\*\*The Catholic Church attempted to keep the Word of God out of the hands of the people and it led to the Dark Ages. ...People didn't even have proper hygiene practices.

WAIT A MINUTE...Don't a majority of scholars believe that many of the versions are accurate?..Doesn't that prove that they are right?

Is the majority always right?...Were they right about Noah's prediction of the flood?...Were they right at the tower of Babel?..Were they right in Sodom? Were they right at the crucifixion of Christ? Were they right at the stoning of Stephen?..Will they be right in the future when they choose to follow the anti-christ? A majority of people used to believe the world was flat as well...Were they right? Majority opinion is not an accurate indicator of truth.....

The #1 excuse "scholars" will give is that only the originals were inspired...They can then change whatever they like due to the fact the pure Word of God was destroyed centuries ago...What priority does God place on the originals?

Jer. 36:23...**Revision principle**.....If you don't like what the Bible says, just take it out.....

\*The book of Jeremiah was destroyed twice and we have a copy of the 3rd....

Jer. 36:23---First original destroyed.

Jer. 51:63---Second original destroyed

Third original produced the book we have today.....

**\*GOD PLACES NO EMPHASIS ON ORIGINALS...HE PRESERVES THE WORD....**

**\*\*The whole issue revolves around final authority...**Who is your final authority?...Is your final authority man or is it God?

**Rom 3:4** God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.

The KJV translators used the literal approach for translation. They translated Word for Word and not meaning for meaning thereby opening up to man's opinion as to what the true meaning was. (Will cover in Week # 2)

Either one believes that the perfect Word of God exists in written form or one does not....There is no grey issue in this matter....

**\*\*Many exercise mental reservation**---They state they believe the Word of God to be the infallible, inerrant Words of the living God...But they don't believe this in their hearts...(See Rick Warren's statements in his book, The Purpose Driven Church)..There is no logical way to truly believe this statement if you have several authorities that differ in doctrine and practice....

### **Do you belong to a fundamental, Bible believing church?**

In order to be classified as a fundamental church the following statements must be believed in their entirety:

- “1) the inerrancy, infallibility, and literal truth of the Bible in every detail;
- 2) the virgin birth and complete deity of Jesus Christ;
- 3) the physical resurrection of Christ and all dead;
- 4) the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world;
- 5) and the second coming of Christ in bodily form.”<sup>1</sup>

**\*MANY FAIL IN REQUIREMENT # 1.....One cannot claim to be a fundamental if one doesn't believe in the perfectly preserved Word of God....**

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## 1) What does God say about perfectly preserving His Word?

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

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

1 Tim.6:10 tells us that the love of money is the root of all evil...Money is one of the driving forces behind the modern version movement today...If the Word of God goes against your wishes, just change it to suit your needs...You conform the Word to you instead of you conforming to it..

Many remain willingly ignorant because of money (1 Cor. 14:38)....They stand to lose if they take the stand...

All scripture is given by inspiration....Inspiration means *God breathed*....God breathed life into Adam and God breathed life into His Word (Acts 7:38; Heb. 4:12 (quick means alive in Scripture (2 Tim. 4:1, 1 Pet 4:5)....

## 2) What does God say about altering his words (adding, subtracting, deleting)?

*Rev 22:18-19*

*18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:*

*19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.*

*Deut 4:2*

*2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.*

*Prov 30:5-6*

*5 Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.*

*6 Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.*

## 3) Satan's Attack

*Gen 3:1*

*3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, **Yea, hath God said**, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?*

\*SATAN CASTS DOUBT ON WHAT GOD ACTUALLY SAID?

*Gen 3:2*

*2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:*

**\*EVE BECOMES THE FINAL AUTHORITY AND OMITTS "FREELY" FROM GOD'S WORD**

*Gen 3:3*

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

**\*EVE THEN ADDS TO GOD'S WORD (NEITHER SHALL YE TOUCH IT) AND THEN WATERS IT DOWN (YE SHALL SURELY DIE)**

**\*Adam is a type of Christ; therefore Eve is a type of the church....Eve was deceived concerning the Word of God as will the church be during the last days before the rapture...**

\*See The Laodicean Church (Rev. 3:14)

\*Compare to the Philadelphian church where the King James Bible was derived with the Laodicean Church.... (Rev. 3:7) The church in Philadelphia kept the Word while our generation (Laodicea) will not.....

**God said that he would purify his Word the 7th time...King James Translators used 6 Bibles to build their foundation upon and it resulted in the King James Bible...God always speaks in the universal language.... From Hebrew (small portion written in Aramaic) to Greek and now English .....(Psm. 12:6)**

**The KJV translators state in the "Rules to be Observed in the Translation of the Bible" section in the 1611 preface: "1. The ordinary Bible read in the Church, commonly called the Bishops Bible, to be followed, and as little altered as the Truth of the original will permit." & "14. These translations to be used when they agree better with the Text than the Bishops Bible: Tindoll's, Matthew's, Coverdale's, Whitchurch's (the Great Bible), Geneva."**

**Therefore 6 Bibles (Bishops, Tindoll's, Matthew's, Coverdale's, Whitchurch's & Geneva) all led to the 7th Bible in the KJV 1611.**

**9 is the number of fruitfulness....**

King James = 9 letters

Holy Bible = 9 letters

1611 = added together equals 9

**999**---All of the major revivals came from the King James Bible...The most fruitful book ever written...We have seen nothing of the sort since 1901 (year the RSV was produced)

**GOD'S WORD IS NOT BOUND BY COPYRIGHT LAWS**

*2 Tim 2:9*

*9 Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, even unto bonds; **but the word of God is not bound.***

*KJV*

## GOD'S WORD HAS POWER BECAUSE IT WAS AUTHORIZED BY A KING

*Eccl 8:4*

4 **Where the word of a king is, there is power:** and who may say unto him, What doest thou? KJV

\*God commanded to never use Egypt for anything and especially His Word (Jer. 44:26; Isa. 30:1-3; Isa. 31:1)

God says his words will stand and not those from Egypt...(Jer. 44:28)

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).

**SO WHY WOULD GOD USE EGYPT TO PRESERVE HIS WORD BASED ON HIS ATTITUDE TOWARDS EGYPT?**

All other versions derive their origins from Alexandria, Egypt....(We will cover this in week # 2)

**\*\*Who decides which translations are the most accurate and reliable? Doesn't this place emphasis on man's opinion?**

(Reference Black Chronicles Bible) **What if majority opinion says this is the Word of God? Who is the final authority?**

## HOW IMPORTANT IS JESUS' NAME?

Phi 2:10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth;

**\*\*EVERYONE WILL BOW DOWN TO HIS NAME.....**

**Act 4:12** Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

**\*Our Salvation hinges on His name....**

Psa 138:2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.

**\*There is only one thing mentioned in Scripture greater than the name of Jesus..And that is His Word... Therefore, His Word must be extremely important to Him....**

ENDING...

**God's Word suffers when man tries to correct God....One Example....(Many examples will be covered in week # 3)**

**Rev 14:9** And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive *his* mark **in his forehead, or in his hand,** KJV

Rev. 14:9 A third angel followed them and said in a loud voice: "If anyone worships the beast and his image and receives his mark **on the forehead or on the hand,** NIV

\*\*Man didn't think in the hand made sense, so man changed it.....Now we are aware of microchip technology... "In his forehead, or in his hand" is now obviously the proper translation...God's Word is always ahead of man....

### **FINAL QUESTION....**

Do you want to fight the devil with a butter knife or a sword?

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

\* We can use other versions as weapons...I can still lead someone to the Lord with another version...However, it is not as effective and many of the "gold nuggets" found deep within God's Word are missing....

**God says in His Word that during the last days there will be a famine in the land...**

**See Amos 8:11-12....A famine of the Word of God...That famine is upon us now....And this famine has produced weak and unproductive Christians...This is why many Baptist church members do not practice active soul winning...Very seldom will you see someone leave a track at a restaurant or even hand one to the cashier at the store...This is also why many Christians resemble the world and not Jesus Christ....**