

**Hold
Fast
The
Form
Of
Sound
Words**

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Dedication

This book is dedicated to all Bible believing Christians who believe in an Almighty God who is able to give His pure, inspired, inerrant and infallible words to His people in any languages He chooses to give at any point in time in history to fulfill His divine will on all His subjects; ***When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day*** (2 Thessalonians 1:10).

May all Bible believing Christians of like precious faith hold dear this Biblical truth that the inspiration and preservation of God's Holy words transient time and languages because we believe in a thrice Holy God who is the Author of time, history and languages as well as we believe in our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who is also the Author and Finisher of our faith. This Great God who authored all things and spoke the world into existence is upholding all things by the word of his power, and as such He is certainly more than willing and able to give His people an inspired, inerrant and infallible Holy Bible in any languages He chooses to give and for the English-speaking world, these Holy words are found in the Authorized King James Bible.

May all Bible believing Christians learn to approach this Holy Bible with reverence and treat these inspired words as precious truths and be empowered to earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For the apostle Paul has warned that, ***For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables*** (2 Timothy 4:3 & 4). Indeed many no longer believe in the final authority of God's written words. The proliferation of the modern English Bibles has prepared the grounds for the great falling away to take place any time soon. Therefore, this is our last stand and having done all, to stand.

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Nowadays, any ordinary Christian would probably not be aware that there is such a thing called “Final Authority” on the words of the living God. After all, since this person gets saved, he is most likely recommended to purchase an English Bible that is translated in the modern English language. Or he may be given a modern English Bible such as the Good News Bible or the New International Version or perhaps the New American Standard Bible to start off his new life in Christ. He may even have heard about the King James Version of the English Bible and very likely he has been told that this is an old Bible written in archaic terminologies and it will be difficult for a young Christian to read this Bible and understand its content. By and large, this is a common encounter for a young Christian seeking to know more about God from the Bible.

This has resulted in Christians not being firmly grounded on the true words of God. A child of God is probably told that he can get the truth from the Bible by comparing different versions of the English Bibles and make up his own mind on what is the true meaning of the Scriptures based on his own understanding. Of course he can claim that he is being led by the Holy Spirit in seeking for the truth in such an endeavor. Any matured Christian grounded on the final authority of the word of God in the Authorized King James Bible will be able to sense the exceedingly shallow grasp of spiritual truths that these young Christians possess who have been fed with these new and modern English Bibles. But the worst effect from these modern English Bibles is that these young Christians are being grounded to become susceptible to false teachings in the Charismatic churches and New Age movement. We witness a Christianity that is totally foreign to the model of the church of the living God revealed in the Authorized King James Bible. What else do we expect, when the pillar and ground of truth have been replaced with falsehood!

So we find that activities and church entertainment have replaced true worship and genuine spirituality of the most holy faith in the Blessed Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ. However, we cannot blame these young Christians for their poor foundation in the faith. Very often, when being shown the truth by comparing the modern English Bibles with the Authorized King James Bible, they will be shocked and awed into exchanging their false Bibles with the Authorized King James Bible readily, if they are given the true Holy Bible at the moment of confrontation with this truth.

Therefore, it is the author's hope that anyone using any other English Bibles may have their eyes opened and taste and see that the pure and inspired words of the King James Bible are indeed "quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged 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." For those who have been brainwashed by the slick sales pitch put forth by those unscrupulous Bibles peddlers, the author prays that their faith may once again be restored and have the full confidence in the thrice Holy God who certainly has preserved His pure, inspired, inerrant and infallible words in the Authorized King James Bible.

Anyone visiting any ordinary Christian bookshop looking for a Bible would no doubt find the Authorized King James Bible conspicuously missing from the shelves most of the time. If such a Bible is available at all, it will usually be found hidden in the corner of the shelves among all the different English Bibles that are being aggressively marketed by the sales person or organization promoting a certain version of the Bible. Like the trendy mobile phones that are trying to out do one another in the market place, the English Bible is fast becoming just another disposable gadget that requires to be replaced when a later and more updated version hits the market of Christendom. There is no such thing called “final authority” on the English Bible. Like the wisdom of this world teaches, “the only constant is change” and we just have get use to changes which are parts and parcels of everyday life. Nothing remains the same forever and change is actually good and healthy because this is an indication of progress for humanity in its quest for enlightenment.

But should a Bible believing Christian be swept away by the winds of change being heralded by the wisdom of this world? Is it true that the English Authorized King James Bible is really outdated and has outlived its usefulness and purpose in this day and age and sinners are no longer able to read this blessed Book of books and come to the saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ? Is it true that Christians are also no longer able to read this “archaic” Bible and receive blessings, edification and spiritual growth from this King of books? For those who think that the Authorized King James Bible is indeed fit for the museum collections, have they ever read this Bible from cover to cover to find out for themselves first hand before jumping into the band wagon of change?

As we observe the proliferation of English Bibles in the market place of the Christian world, we cannot help but wonder whether those who produce these Bibles are deliberately not giving the English-speaking world a perfect Bible once and for all to last for the next two hundred years. Are these “scholars” really “experts” in their fields? Or are they persuaded by the wisdom of this world to design something that is not one hundred percent perfect, so that subsequent editions and revisions will have to take place to keep Bible revisions alive and sustain the interest and growth of the English Bibles? After all, this is how the manufacturing industries are operating and should a perfect product be designed and produced, then such an industry would be out of business in no time! Everything must have a

shelf life. It seems such a concept is now being applied to the Holy Bible where an invisible expiry date is being stamped on its cover!

Perhaps, there are people who are convinced that the English Bible is constantly evolving to eventually become a perfect Bible in the distant future as many people in the world have accepted the fact that change is indeed good. This may not be far fetched as the people of the world believe in competition and it is through competition that the consumers eventually obtain a better product or service at a lower price and greater efficiency. Since the Authorized King James Bible has held its monopoly as the Authorized Version of the English Bible for hundreds of years, would not some Christians be thinking that this state of affair is actually no good and they would like to see some competition and hear a different point of view from the “scholars” of the modern day? Can this concept of competition that brings a better product or service at a lower cost and improved efficiency be applied to the Holy Bible? Such a concept has indeed been observed and proven to be true in the capitalist economic system that governs the world, surely this can also be applied to the Holy Bible, and some might be tempted to believe.

So is the Holy Bible governed by the system of this world or is the world governed by what is said in the Holy Bible? Is competition for a better and more reliable English Bible really good for Christendom? Of course this would be good and wonderful if there is no perfect inspired English Holy Bible to begin with! Is change a truism in every aspect of the universe including faith in the God of creation? Then what the author in the book of Hebrews said in Hebrews 13:8, ***Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever***, is a deliberate and malicious lie. Moreover, what the Lord said in Malachi 3:6, ***For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed***, is also false. But faith is however not based on what can be seen! According to the Holy Scriptures we are told that, ***Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen*** (Hebrews 11:1). So what is the basis of a Christian’s faith? Instead of consulting external “experts” for a second opinion, a Christian should consult the word of God for we are told that, ***So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God*** (Romans 10:17).

Therefore, the most critical issue now is whether the child of God has the word of God. So the most important question now is this; is there any certainty of the word of God? Does God who makes men inform us whether

there is such a thing of certainty living in a very uncertain world? According to Proverbs 22:21, we are told, *That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee?* Here is revealed to us that it is God's will that a Christian should know the **certainty** of the **words of truth** and it is implied that these words of truth must be available; otherwise, God would cease to be the true and living God if He cannot provide this **words of truth** to His people to obey His commandment. This must be true or how else can Timothy obey the apostle Paul's command in 2 Timothy 1:13, *Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus?* If there are no sound words to hold fast, what will Timothy be holding on to? Then the apostle Paul must be out of his mind for issuing a ridiculous command to a Christian that cannot possibly obey! Is there an impending danger even in the days of Timothy where the form of sound words can slip from his hands as well as from the Christians during his day? So far based on all the Scriptures quoted, are there any words that are indeed archaic and readers fail to understand?

The "scholars" of the modern day have positioned themselves as champions for the common men and they are painstakingly availing themselves in making the English Bibles more reliable, more updated and basing on the latest findings from archeological evidences to produce an English Bible that the common men can finally be able to read and fully understand. But lo and behold, after years and years of research and publications, the common men have been cluster bombed with English Bibles after English Bibles each claiming to be the best among its peer but none can eventually claim to be the final and only one perfect English Bible for the English-speaking world! It is indeed amazing beyond comprehension! Such a historical fraud of modern history of monumental proportion should qualify the hoax that the Authorized Kings James Bible being the archaic Bible that needs to be replaced with modern English Bibles to be listed in the Guinness Book of Records.

In this book, we will treat the Authorized King James Bible as the preserved inspired, inerrant and infallible words of the living God in comparison with the rest of the writings of modern "scholars" in particular from the New International Version and the New American Standard Bible as they are the more common English versions used in the place of the Authorized Version. The Authorized King James Bible has to be treated like no other books written by fallen men, otherwise the faith of the child of God

would no longer rest on the word of God alone. For indeed, any other books written by fallen men cannot and can never claim to be on an equal footing with the Holy Bible because if they succeed in making this breach into holy territory of the words of truth, the foundation would be destroyed and there is nothing the righteous can do! We will observe not to remove such ancient landmark set by the fathers lest we incur the wrath of the thrice Holy God for indeed we are so commanded in Proverbs 22:28, ***Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set.*** These are the clear and conspicuous markers to be set forth in this discussion as we examine and evaluate the changes made to some of words in the Authorized Version and consider the alternative words offered and suggested by the NIV and NASB.

The methodology adopted is solely based on the internal evidence of the Authorized King James Bible where the replacements are examined in the NIV and NASV. No Greek and Hebrew words will be consulted from any lexicons, as this would render the translation of the Authorized Version to be an imperfect English Holy Bible. The attitudes, motives, intelligence and spiritual discernment of the modern day “experts, scholars or godly men whose integrity is beyond reproach” or whatever they called themselves would inevitably be called into question in this study on the need for a better, clearer, simpler, most updated, more readable, easily understood, most reliable and the latest and newest version of the English Bible. Any “disrespect” for these “godly men” and their “scholarly community” is the result of holy indignation for their unjust treatment of the Holy Scriptures given by inspiration of the thrice Holy God. No personal animosity is intended against these people who produced the modern English Bibles.

We will seek to examine their translations whether these Bible critics have a case against the Authorized Version of the Holy Bible with regards to its accuracy, readability and sensibility. We shall see whether the Authorized King James Bible is indeed archaic and the common men are hopelessly incapable of reading this blessed Book and the “experts” have to be called in to arrest their helpless slide into spiritual despair. With this framework in place, we will proceed to give the NIV and the NASB a fair hearing and record our findings. In the end, Bible believers all over the world may proclaim the innocence of the Authorized King James Bible; for this blessed Book has been unfairly accused by modern “scholars” to be archaic and inaccurate among other things, and that it should be consigned to become collectible items in its rightful place in history. Though these Bible critics may not have publicly made such a statement, the intention and

objective are obvious and implied. They hope with the demise of the Authorized King James Bible, other players will be given a chance to capture this lucrative market in Christendom.

In the end, it is the Author's hope that readers will be convinced and be persuaded that the thrice Holy God is able to preserved His pure, holy and inspired words that transient languages and God's living words can be found even in a translation such as the Authorized King James Bible. More importantly, may the faith of all Christians be restored to this Holy Bible which they can hold in their hands and that they do not need to consult any "scholars" or Greek and Hebrew lexicons to know spiritual truths from this Holy Bible. For indeed the child of God has been promised, ***But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things*** (1 John 2:20).

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God (John 1:1). This verse in the gospel of John encapsulates the existence of God. In order for men to know that God indeed exists, God has to take the initiative to reveal Himself to His creatures without which no man can ever hope to know that there is a true and living God in a personal way. While it is true that *The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night showeth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard* (Psalm 19:1-3), God has to reveal to men either in person or in written records to manifest His existence to men in a real and living way. The existence of God must be revealed in languages where men may know that there really is a God who is actively intervening in the affairs in the world where we live. Apart from the preserved written revelation of God, there is no way whereby men may truly understand the world, the purpose of men's existence and the final destiny of all men in a consistent fashion and in a large scale. Such dissemination of divine knowledge is absolutely crucial in order for God to demonstrate that He is able to fulfill His promise, *For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea* (Habakkuk 2:14).

From the written words of God given by inspiration preserved for men, it is an undisputable fact that God exists. So long before the history of time, the triune God coexisted in glorious union prior to the creation of any creatures and matter. The second person of the Godhead, the Word, spoke the world into existence. For God said, *“Let there be light and there was light”* (Genesis 1:3). The apostle John said, *“All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made”* (John 1:3). The apostle Paul also confirmed the creative work of the Lord Jesus Christ in Colossians 1:15-17, *Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.* The existence of God and the creation of the world are revealed in words and languages that can be understood by men otherwise men will never be able to find out anything about God and His creative works of the world.

The author of Hebrews shows how God communicates with men in Hebrews 1:1-3, *God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken*

unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.

So God speaks to men by the prophets at different times and by various means to make known to men His will for them and how they should live their lives in order to receive God's blessing and long life. Subsequently in the fullness of time, the Son of God speaks to the people, in particular, the children of Israel in spoken words on the coming Kingdom and the way to receive eternal life. While the prophets and the Lord Jesus Christ spoke to the people many things with many words, not all the spoken words, acts and events were recorded not because they were unimportant but what had been recorded and preserved in the Bible to be made known to the generations to come were sufficient revelation of God and His will for men to enter into life everlasting.

In the beginning, in the Garden of Eden when Adam was first created, Adam and God communicated verbally as recorded in Genesis 1-3. There is no record to suggest that God has given Adam commandments in written words for there is no need for such as they meet regularly in the Garden during the cool of the day. While the commandments given to Adam were not cast in stones in written words form, they were nonetheless binding on Adam for him to obey. The fellowship between God and Adam and Eve then was perfect and in harmonious joy. There was no fear because there was no sin. There was no need for peace for there was no turmoil. There was no worry since there was no trouble. There were no tears as there was no hurt. There were no sorrows for there was no death. There were no vocabularies for sin, shame, fear, hurt, troubles, trials and tribulations and many other words with evil connotations before Adam sinned against God willfully. There was no knowledge of good and evil on the part of Adam and Eve and hence God could fellowship with them in perfect harmony in a close and personal way. As such, there was no need to give any commandments in written words form expecting Adam and Eve to comply.

Even after the fall when God communicated with Adam's children, who also knew God in a real and personal way not revealed in written words on books, there was no evidence to suggest that God's will and way of life for them were given in written words in a book form. The subsequent

corruption of the seeds of the Sons of God with the daughters of men brought upon the ancient world God's swift judgment by the cosmic flood that destroyed the entire civilization except for the family of Noah. During that period leading to the flood, God's will was made known to the people via the preaching of Noah as God used a more remote form of communicating with the people via a third party, Noah. He used one man Noah to try to reach the lost world and bring them back to God's plan for the people to live in peace and prosperity in temporal earthly life.

As sins of men wax worse and worse, it appears that God does not speak to men directly in a personal way anymore like the way He used to when He fellowshiped with Adam before the fall. It may seem that God is trying to distant Himself from men but that is certainly not the case. After Adam disobeyed God in eating the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, Adam and Eve hid themselves from God. For their eyes were opened and they knew they were naked. Being filled with shame and guilt, they had to avoid meeting God to give an account of their disobedience. Since then, men have been trying to flee from the presence of God and God has been trying to seek and save those that are lost. God has to selectively speak to chosen men to reveal Himself and His will to men ever since. So men have been drifting further and further away from God and not that God is trying to avoid dealing with sinful men.

Once again, the original commission given Adam to be fruitful and replenish the earth is now given to Noah in Genesis 9. Additional commandments concerning preparation and eating of meat from animals are given. However, there is again no evidence to suggest that the new set of commandments is given in written form but rather as revealed in the Scriptures, they were orally given to Noah. Under the three sons of Noah, the world was repopulated but this time the normal life span of men has been considerably reduced. Up until now, the whole known world is of one language and of one speech, possibly in the Hebrew language and tongue (Genesis 11:1).

Sinful men were again rebelling against God's directive will to replenish the earth. Instead, they assembled as one people, one nation, but not under God, to make a name for themselves. So here is the first world government by the people, of the people and for the people in open rebellion against Almighty God. Here we have human nature of self-preservation at work. With the collective consciousness of the flood still with them, they

tried to build a tower to reach unto heaven (Genesis 11:4). Instead of obeying God's will in earth exploration, men venture into a space discovery program. Men were supposed to spread out horizontally but they congregate together vertically to reach heaven, a reminiscence of the fall of Lucifer before the history of men recorded in Isaiah 14:12-15, ***How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.*** This is however, to be expected as fallen men are now under the dominion of Satan whose spirit is now working in the children of disobedience according to Ephesians 2:2, ***Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience.***

So men departed further and further away from God's presence and God's perfect will and according to Genesis 11:5, ***And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.*** Men were originally with God face to face and now God has to come down to men. The reason why sinful men were able to embark on such a fantastic project on a grand scale is given in Genesis 11:6, ***And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.*** So the solution to stop this space program of sinful men from further progress, men will no longer be permitted to communicate in only one language and one speech. ***Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech. So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city*** (Genesis 11:7 & 8). The result of this sudden gift of tongues was remarkable. The gift was spontaneous and effective. No one needed to learn the languages just like when Adam was created with perfect capability of the original language, which he passed down to his descendants. The modern day religious charlatans of the Charismatic Movement are faking this tongue gift. No wonder their worship is in chaos as they speak in unknown tongues and no believer can benefit and be edified. The God who gave languages to men can certainly give His perfect inspired words to men in any languages He chooses to give at any point in time orally as well as in writings. If this is

not the case, then there will be no way to discuss God's revelation in a logical and rational basis and everything will have to be based on conjectures and theories of men.

When God first communicated with men orally and subsequently using men to record His revelations and communications in writings, the languages he chooses to use are definitely not restricted to Hebrew and Greek. For the law given to the Jews is in the Hebrew language but this law is not the exclusive possession of the children of Israel. The Gentiles do have the law written in their hearts according to Romans 2:14 & 15, ***For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves: Which show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;***). It would be ludicrous to expect this law written in the hearts of the Gentiles to be in the original Hebrew language. The Gentiles do not need the divine inspired original autographs in the original language to know God for they all know God as the apostle Paul affirms in Romans 10:8, ***But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach.*** This law is no less inspired, inerrant and infallible but it is preserved in the hearts of the Gentiles because by this law the Gentiles will be judged as the apostle Paul tells the Christians in Rome, ***For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law*** (Romans 2:12).

So up till the time before the tower of Babel, all nations on earth were of one language and one speech. When God confounded men with multiple languages during the unified space discovery project, men were forced to fulfill God's plan for them to scatter and replenish the earth. With so many languages and no interpreters, confusion reigned supreme, just like the Charismatic churches, and the project was abruptly abandoned. This is where the word "babblers" originates, as no one could understand each other because of the multitude of differences in languages. It is insanity to count it an honor to wear the title of a babblers and so much so for those who like to speak in "tongues."

Based on revelations up to this point, it is the prerogative of God to use whatever languages and whatever means He sees fit to communicate with fallen men. As far as written record in the Holy Bible shows, there is

no evidence to suggest any written form of communications of God's will and law given to men thus far, unless God chooses not to preserve such written records for men in other generations. While there is no evidence of the written law of God given up to this point in time, it does not imply that written communications are not already in existence and being used in a day to day basis as a common form of communication between men. This is definitely not the case. Otherwise, how would the project of Babel begin in the first place which requires careful planning and implementation in a massive scale? The point here is that God is able to reveal His will and law to men at any given point in time with whatever means and languages He chooses to use and He cannot be restricted to using only original languages in the original autographs as claimed by many "scholars." God must not be miniaturized in His ability to inspire and preserve His words to men so that sinners can still find the way back to God at any point in history because God is not limited by time and space.

Now after the scattering of men by force of circumstances due to divine intervention, fallen men were not abandoned by God without direction and hope for their miserable existence in a world whereby men had to eat their bread by the sweat of their brows. God then chose a man, Abraham. His communication with him was personal and God appeared to Abraham as an angel in the form of a man. Again, the communications were verbal in nature and no written records were given or preserved concerning God's promises to Abraham, the friend of God, the father of the true faith in Christ. In Abraham was revealed the seed to come as promised in Genesis 3:15, ***And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.*** Moreover, Abraham was promised to become a father of a great nation with God's special blessing and bountiful care upon this nation, ***And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed*** (Genesis 12:2 & 3).

Abraham's son Isaac inherited this blessing and God confirmed the promise to him in Genesis 26:2-5, ***And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of: Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father; And I will make thy seed***

to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws. God made it a point to communicate His earlier promises to Abraham to his son Isaac by appearing to him. He was told clearly that he will inherit the blessings promised to Abraham and again, this communication was verbal in nature. Subsequently, when Isaac passed down this blessing to his son Jacob, it was also given in the form of verbal communication in Genesis 28:3 & 4, *And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people; And give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave unto Abraham.*

While Jacob was fleeing from his brother Esau, God communicated the blessings promised to Abraham to him through a dream, *And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it. And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I am the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed; And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed* (Genesis 28:12-14). Here is the first record of God revealing himself and his will to man through a dream and not by the normal personal conversational communications. So inspired originals are out of the question here because they do not exist in written form. Not only did God reveal his words to Jacob by dreams, Jacob's son Joseph was another of such worthy recipient of revelation via dreams. God also revealed his words to Jacob's uncle, Laban, by dreams warning him not to harm Jacob when he was in hot pursuit of Jacob who fled from him with his families and his flocks. However, God's revelation via dreams are not the exclusive privileges of the families of the Hebrews as the Pharaoh of Egypt was also given dreams to warn him of the famine to come. While God did continue to communicate with Jacob via dreams, He also revealed Himself as a man when Jacob wrestled with Him through the night when he was caught in a strait returning to meet his brother Esau whom he had supplanted in the past. Just before Jacob's death, he revealed God's words to his children verbally concerning things to come. It was not recorded as to how Jacob had prior

knowledge of future events concerning his descendants, but the supplanter Jacob now the prophet Israel spoke as he was moved by the Holy Ghost.

Originally, God deals with men face to face and then through personal verbal communications with chosen individuals and now via dreams to certain men. It appears that God's dealing with men has become more and more indirect and remote with the use of dreams. But God is not limited by the means that he used in revealing Himself and His words to men. With the children of Israel under Egyptian bondage, God revealed Himself to Moses through a burning bush and the Lord communicated with him through verbal means in his language which he understood. Moses had no inspired original autographs to rely on to authenticate the messenger and the spoken message. What he had was God's promises transmitted to him through his forefathers orally and no evidence of any written records of God's promises to the Patriarchs was available to confirm the promises of God. Up till this time, the law is still not given and the law is only written in the hearts of sinful men so that they may be able to know God and see His handiworks in the world.

As for the prophet Moses, God revealed His words to him in a special way. This time, God's commandments are cast in stones given in the mount before God. Details of this God-given and God-written commandments cast in stones are given in Exodus 32:14-16, ***And the LORD repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people. And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the two tables of the testimony were in his hand: the tables were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written. And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables.*** Unfortunately for the lovers of divine inspired original autographs, the special original autographs cast in stones were destroyed by Moses due to his lack of temperance or rather holy indignation when he saw the children of Israel worshipping a false god in nakedness, ***And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf, and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and brake them beneath the mount*** (Exodus 32:19). Perhaps God has a way in disappointing those who have a penchant in turning original autographs into idols instead of believing in a sovereign God who is able to preserve His inspired, inerrant and infallible words in every generation and in whatever languages He chooses to use.

After this episode, the children of Israel have to be contended with a copy of the divine inspired original autograph of the commandments. In Exodus 34:1, the stones were the work of Moses in contrast with the original stones, *And the LORD said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon these tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest.* In this verse, God mentioned that he would write on the stones. However, Moses was the chosen instrument to carry out the task of writing the commandments according to Exodus 34:27 & 28, *And the LORD said unto Moses, Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel. And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.* From this point forward, revelations from God were communicated to Moses verbally face to face as recorded in Numbers 12:6-8, *And he said, Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, I the LORD will make myself known unto him in a vision, and will speak unto him in a dream. My servant Moses is not so, who is faithful in all mine house. With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches; and the similitude of the LORD shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?* So the transmission of God's words to men has been in this fashion in divers manners spoken through the prophets to the children of Israel.

When Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt, the only understanding of God and His promises to the forefathers was given via oral accounts passed down from generations to generations concerning the land grant given to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Without any divine inspired originals to rely on, Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible called the Pentateuch under divine guidance by God. It was indeed an extremely remarkable undertaking and no human writings can compare with Moses' writings concerning the creation of the earth and history of men before and after the flood, especially so when they are given with such intricate details with names of men and nations up to the time of the Egyptian bondage of the children of Israel and their subsequent deliverance. Which man on earth is capable of recording about two thousand five hundred years of historical records from nothing? It must be divine inspiration at work! Who could have recorded the exact number of years a person lived in Genesis 5? Who could have given the names of the nations in Genesis 10? Who could have explained the origin of human languages and tongues? Who could have named all his ancestors more than four hundred years before him? It is

impossible for a man to conjure a fictional account of such intricate details let alone a true historical account of what happened from the very beginning up to two thousand five hundred years forward on events, men and places that exist in geographical locations that the author has never traveled!

Here is supernatural revelation through divine inspiration at work. This does not imply that authors of the Bible were inspired whenever they wrote. There are many things that they wrote that are not recorded and none of the authors of the Bible ever claimed they were writing under the inspiration of God. The Scriptures simply convey the Biblical truth that all Scriptures are given by inspiration of God (2 Timothy 3:16) and not that all Biblical authors are inspired whenever they write. This truth carries serious implications for those who claim that only the original autographs in the original languages are inspired writings. This truth also points to the fact that all Scriptures in any languages can be given by inspiration whether the Scriptures are in German, English, Spanish or any other languages God chooses to give His living words. If God has taken the trouble to inspire such a record to be written for men, can he not preserve it? If God preserves such records, can He reproduce such records accurately in its entirety in other languages He chooses to use subsequently? It depends very much on how great is the God that you believe in!

Consider the following records in Deuteronomy 31:9, 24-26, *And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and unto all the elders of Israel. And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished, That Moses commanded the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, saying, Take this book of the law, and put it in the side of the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.* For those who swear allegiance to inspired original autographs, they will have a hard time to prove the existence of such copies today. They will have an impossible task of proving the law Moses given to the Levites to be put in the side of the ark is exact word for word copy of the Pentateuch which we have today. Apparently, God did not choose to preserve the original inspired autographs lest God's children turned such records into idols just like the children of Israel turned the brazen serpent into an idolatrous object after it had served its original purpose of healing of those bitten by the serpents. What we have today is the preserved inspired words of the living God that God chooses to preserve for us today. Nowhere in the

Bible did God mentioned that He would preserve everything He did through all His servants and prophets.

With the passing of Moses, divine revelation continues to be transmitted to God's chosen individuals and to record His dealings with men. God spoke to Joshua to continue the works left by Moses in bringing the children of Israel into the Promised Land. Just like God appearing to Moses in person, the Lord also appeared to Joshua face to face before the battle of Jericho. Face to face encounters with angels by chosen men and women continue to be recorded in the pages of the Biblical records as the drama of redemption unfolds through the chosen nation of Israel. The book of Joshua records the conquest of Canaan under the leadership of Joshua with its remarkable wars where the Jehovah God fought for the children of Israel as well as the division of the Land to the twelve tribes of Israel. The period where the children of Israel were ruled by judges raised up by God when there was no king in Israel which detailed the history of apostasy, deliverance and restoration of the children of Israel was recorded in the book of Judges.

As the history of the Jewish kingdoms was recorded in the books of 1 and 2 Samuel, 1 and 2 Kings and 1 and 2 Chronicles to show God's dealing with His chosen people, the Messianic lineage was also revealed through the family of David and his descendants. Besides, these authors who recorded the history of the kingdoms of Israel, there were other writers who also wrote part of the events during their lifetime which were not included in the Bible that we have today.

In 1 Chronicles 29:29 & 30, ***Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of Samuel the seer, and in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the book of Gad the seer, With all his reign and his might, and the times that went over him, and over Israel, and over all the kingdoms of the countries,*** it was revealed that Nathan the prophet and Gad the seer also wrote about king David but their writings were however, not preserved to be included as part of the Old Testament.

Also in 2 Chronicles 9:29, ***Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, first and last, are they not written in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the prophecy of Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of Iddo the seer against Jeroboam the son of Nebat?*** it was mentioned that the book of Nathan recorded part of the life of king Solomon. The prophet Ahijah and Iddo the seer had also spoken about Solomon in their prophecy and vision

which were not preserved as an entire prophetic book like other books written by the prophets in the Old Testament. The prophet Iddo also wrote about king Abijah according to 2 Chronicles 13:22, *And the rest of the acts of Abijah, and his ways, and his sayings, are written in the story of the prophet Iddo.* But the writings of Iddo did not form part of the Old Testament.

So it is ludicrous to say that some authors of the Bible were inspired writers while others were not inspired to write. God's people do write about God and His dealings with men. God also used His people to compile such writings into what we have today known as the Holy Bible. God's people living in other times do not have the entire sixty-six books in the Bible which we have in order live a life that is pleasing in God's sight. They lived with what light they had which God deemed to be sufficient at that point in time for His people upon which they would be judged. This must however, not be confused with those who are deliberately removing from the words of God.

There was a case in Jeremiah 36:22-25 where the evil men who were so audacious to remove and destroy the words of the living God sent by the prophet Jeremiah, *Now the king sat in the winterhouse in the ninth month: and there was a fire on the hearth burning before him. And it came to pass, that when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, he cut it with the penknife, and cast it into the fire that was on the hearth, until all the roll was consumed in the fire that was on the hearth. Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, neither the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words. Nevertheless Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king that he would not burn the roll: but he would not hear them.* Of course these evil men met their eventual doom when Nebuchadnezzar attacked Israel and Jerusalem was sacked and destroyed.

However, the word of God is not bound and a replacement copy is just as inspired and infallible given in Jeremiah 36:32, *Then took Jeremiah another roll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah; who wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah had burned in the fire: and there were added besides unto them many like words.* So it is not necessary to rely only on inspired originals because the prophet Daniel also read Jeremiah's writing without questioning its origins or authenticity and certainly the copy that he

read could not be claimed to be Jeremiah's original writings. Daniel was a diligent seeker of God's word as shown in Daniel 9:2, ***In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.*** So God preserves Jeremiah's writings even though Israel has been carried away to Babylon and other parts of the world and God's people do have His words, though not necessarily the original copies to read, study and to believe in His promises for them.

Bible authors do quote from one another without questioning the evidence they had whether they were original copies written by the authors themselves. In 2 Chronicles 36:11 & 12, ***Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD his God, and humbled not himself before Jeremiah the prophet speaking from the mouth of the LORD,*** the author mentioned Jeremiah's preaching was from the mouth of the Lord. It is interesting to note that the author or authors of Chronicles compiled the history of Israel spanning about three thousand four hundred years all the way from Adam to the carrying away of the children of Israel to Babylon. The author who quoted Jeremiah might not even be contemporary with Jeremiah and it would be ridiculous to suggest that the writings of Jeremiah the author possessed were the original autograph when the quote was made.

The author of Ezra also mentioned of Jeremiah's prophecy concerning the restoration of Israel in Ezra 1:1, ***Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and put it also in writing, saying.*** The author simply believed God's word spoken through Jeremiah in his writings though the copy the author relied on was not the original copy that he had. God is certainly able to use His people to preserve His words anyway, anywhere and at anytime in history sufficient for His people to know God and walk in His light.

So God continued to speak to His people at sundry times and in divers manners by the prophets and their prophetic books compiled with the rest of the historical and poetic writings as well as the Pentateuch formed the thirty-nine books in the Old Testament of the Holy Bible. All the writings in the

thirty-nine books confirm and collaborate with each other on the acts of God as the drama of redemption continues to unfold through the chosen nation of Israel. They also revealed how God dealt with sins of men and how God executed judgments upon nations that worshipped false gods. Though the theatre of operation mostly centered on the land of Israel and its neighbors, God did not neglect the Gentiles when God sent the prophet Jonah to preach to the citizen of Nineveh who were due for God's judgment for their sins. World events and histories of kingdoms are also revealed through the prophets but most importantly, the coming Messiah for the children of Israel, the Savior of all mankind is hinted through the pages from Genesis to Malachi.

Then came an interlude of four hundred years of silence before the drama of redemption resumed with furor through the preaching of John the Baptist and the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ and His disciples. The nation of Israel was in an upheaval with the common people realigning their religious persuasion towards John the Baptist and then the Lord Jesus Christ and His disciples. People with debilitating and terminal illnesses were being healed. Those possessed with devils were being delivered. Multitudes upon multitudes were being miraculously fed and led. Moreover, the dead were raised!

As far as the secular powers were concerned, a revolution was taking place. The religious elite's position and influence were threatened. They were on the decline ever since John the Baptist came unto the scene followed by the Lord Jesus Christ who performed so many miracles to authenticate His claims as their Messiah, yet they were unmoved. With the political landscape shifting from the establishment and the powers of the ruling religious authorities on the wane, there was great expectation from the children of Israel to usher in the Kingdom promised to their forefathers. They were waiting and hoping to be delivered from the harsh Roman bondage and to revive the Kingdom of David to its former glory. Even the disciples of Christ were jostling for positions in the coming Kingdom. But what they did not realize was that the first coming of Christ was to fulfill God's plan of redemption for all man through the atoning death of the Son of God before the Kingdom of Heaven can take place.

So the religious elite plotted to put Jesus to death to prevent their replacement in the Kingdom to come. For Jesus had repeatedly lashed out against their abuse of power and ignorance of the Scriptures as well as their

wickedness in subjecting the people in bondage by the commandments of men not sanctioned in the Old Testament Scriptures. However, they were only fulfilling God's plan in the redemption prophesied since the beginning of time. The authors of the gospel detailed the circumstance of the nation of Israel prior to the birth of Christ and described the ministry of Jesus, His death, burial and subsequent resurrection from the grave and His eventual ascension to the Father.

During the time of Christ, the language use among the common people was in Hebrew but the accounts of the life and ministry of Christ recorded were mainly in Greek. As such, many quotes from the Old Testament written in the gospel need not be recorded exactly in word for word form. It is ridiculous to believe that such literal word for word translation from one language to another is possible. If it is done in this fashion, the sentence will not make sense. So according to Matthew's quotation of the virgin birth of Christ in Matthew 1:23, ***Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us,*** comparing with the actual quote in Isaiah 7:14, ***Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel,*** there will be a slight difference in words used but they still convey the same meaning. However, the quote in Matthew is expanded to interpret the meaning of the word "Immanuel" being "God with us." It should also be noted that the spelling of the word "Emmanuel" and "Immanuel" are also slightly different but no one in his right mind will conclude that they refer to two different persons. Even in the Old Testament, the name of the king of Babylon is spelt as "Nebuchadnezzar" as well as "Nebuchadrezzar" and they both refer to the same person! This is how the rules of translation are being applied in the Scriptures. Only self-conceited people will think otherwise and seek to bind the hand of God in how God should give His words according to their own understanding based on their fallen mind.

The same is also true according to Matthew's quote of John Baptist's ministry in Matthew 3:3, ***For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.*** This quote is taken from Isaiah 40:3, ***The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.*** So the words used in the two verses are not exactly the same and yet they do not

differ in meaning. According to Mark's quotation in Mark 1:2 & 3, *As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight*, he indicated that there were more than one prophet who mentioned of John Baptist's ministry. Indeed, the prophet Malachi did prophesied of the coming of John Baptist as a forerunner for the Lord Jesus Christ in Malachi 3:1, *Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts*. As it can be seen, the quotes from four different authors do not use exactly the same words the same way to describe the same person and event and yet these verses are still Scriptures given by inspiration of God.

Consider what the translators of the NIV and NASB did concerning the quotation from Mark 1:2.

It is written in Isaiah the prophet: I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way. (NIV)

As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send MY MESSENGER BEFORE YOUR FACE, WHO WILL PREPARE YOUR WAY;" (NASB)

Notice how amateurish these translators are. They are certainly very shallow students of the Bible. They thought that Mark was only quoting from Isaiah 40:3 and so they replaced the prophets in plural in the Authorized Version to Isaiah in Mark 1:2 & 3. Not only this, they thought they were doing God a favor and helping the Christians to better understand the Scriptures by changing the spelling of "Esaias" in Matthew 3:3 in the Authorized Version to "Isaiah" in their perversions to match the Old Testament book of Isaiah. These translators are not living in a real world. Spellings of names and places do change over time in any language and yet they do not mean different thing. Just some common sense will do in understanding the Scriptures which apparently such common sense are rather uncommon to the translators of the modern English versions. So motivated to display their "scholarship" they majored only in the minor and missed the real meat in the Scriptures when they replaced the plural "prophets" in Mark 1:2 to "Isaiah" in their own self-conceited versions.

Similarly, when the apostle Peter was preaching on the day of Pentecost quoting from Joel's prophecy, there was a slight variation. The quote is given in Acts 2:16-21, *But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: And I will show wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.*

The actual prophecy according to Joel is as follows:

And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call (Joel 2:28-32).

The two passages do not match exactly word for word but they are still given by the inspiration of God. Nowhere in the Scriptures ever hinted that quotations from the Old Testament must be the exact replication in order to be Scriptures given by inspiration in the New Testament. The passages above may appear to be almost the same but their applications are different. The order of words used in the two passages is also not exactly the same. The chief difference is the term used by Peter on the coming day which is known to be a "notable day" while Joel called it a "terrible day." The audience addressed for the two passages are also not the same. According to Peter, whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved which imply a universal application but Joel indicated a different kind of salvation. Joel's salvation is deliverance in a particular locality, mount

Zion and Jerusalem, where the action of a conflict is to take place in the future.

As far as Peter was concerned, for a child of God, the coming day of the Lord is a notable day because he is already saved and has been given eternal life when he calls upon the name of the Lord to save his soul. However, for the children of Israel and the Gentile nations that seek to exterminate the Jews during the time of Jacob's trouble, the Second Coming of the Lord is a terrible day as the enemies of Israel shall be completely destroyed and the remnant of the children of Israel in Jerusalem and Israel will be delivered when they call upon the name of the Lord.

However, the translators of the NIV and NASB changed the "notable day" in Acts 2:20 to "glorious day." But they could not agree on the "great and terrible day" in Joel 2:31. According to the NIV, it is called the "great and dreadful day" while the NASB calls it the "great and awesome day." Perhaps they are trying to match Acts 2:20 with Joel 2:31. Of course, they will never match because the day of Christ for the Church and the day of the Lord for Israel are not the same and they do not occur on the same day! Once again, one would find it hard to understand why the word "terrible" in Joel 2:31 has to be replaced. Is it because it is a hard and archaic word and no one in our time can understand it and the modern versions' translators have to change it to make it easier for Christians to read and understand the verse? Or was it an inaccurate translation from the Hebrew text that needs to be made more accurate to benefit the modern readers? If that is the case, both the NIV and NASB translators still could not agree on the same word to be used to make the verse more accurate and readable. But how can we expect accuracy and spirituality from these translators who have been proven time and again that their Biblical scholarships are totally defective! Apparently, these translators do not know how **terrible** is the day of the Lord. According to Revelation 14:19 & 20, *And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.* The day of the Lord is not just dreadful and awesome, it is going to be **TERRIBLE** to the enemies of God. These translators of modern English versions have a penchant in underestimating God's wrath and judgment on sinners and that is probably why they do not fear God when they changed and removed the words of the living God at will.

New Testament writers continue to quote from Old Testament Scriptures with liberty without having to ensure exact word for word quote in their writings. In Acts 1:20 concerning the office of Judas Iscariot, ***For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and his bishopric let another take***, the quote is taken from Psalm 69:25, ***Let their habitation be desolate; and let none dwell in their tents*** and Psalm 109:8, ***Let his days be few; and let another take his office***. According to the Authorized Version, the office of Judas is called the office of a bishop. This is additional revelation given through the passage of time. Once again, the translators of the NIV and NASB are rather shy to translate the office of Judas in Acts 1:20 to provide readers the name of the office. The NIV calls it “his place of leadership” while the NASB calls it “his office.” Obviously, these translators do not have the “light” to begin with.

When the apostles and the believers of Christ prayed quoting Psalm 2 in their prayers recorded in Acts 4:24-28, ***And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is: Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things? The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ. For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done***, liberty of quotation is again used without adulterating God’s words. According to Psalm 2:1-12, ***Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel. Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be***

angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him, the reference here is the Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ. So when the disciples and apostles prayed, they rightly called the Son of God, God's holy child Jesus. Of course, we do not expect such spiritual discernment from the translators of the NIV and NASB. They audaciously removed the deity of Christ when they called the Lord Jesus Christ God's "holy servant Jesus" in Acts 2:27. So much for accuracy and readability from the NIV and NASB!

So the New Testament writers continue to use their liberty in translating the Hebrew Scriptures in the Old Testament into Greek without having to translate them in exact word for word form and they are still Scriptures given by inspiration of God. Not only this is true, in Acts 21 & 22 when the apostle Paul made his defense after he had been beaten up by the mob in Jerusalem, he spoke to the people in Hebrew however, the record was given in Greek. *And as Paul was to be led into the castle, he said unto the chief captain, May I speak unto thee? Who said, Canst thou speak Greek? Art not thou that Egyptian, which before these days madest an uproar, and leddest out into the wilderness four thousand men that were murderers? But Paul said, I am a man which am a Jew of Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city: and, I beseech thee, suffer me to speak unto the people. And when he had given him licence, Paul stood on the stairs, and beckoned with the hand unto the people. And when there was made a great silence, he spake unto them in the Hebrew tongue, saying, Men, brethren, and fathers, hear ye my defence which I make now unto you. (And when they heard that he spake in the Hebrew tongue to them, they kept the more silence: and he saith,) I am verily a man which am a Jew, born in Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, and taught according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers, and was zealous toward God, as ye all are this day (Acts 21:37-22:2).*

Those who claim that a translation cannot be the inspired word of God will have serious trouble with this passage here. The implication is obvious. A translation of the Scriptures whether written or spoken is also Scriptures given by inspiration of God. Once again, the translators of the NIV are trying to show off their "scholarship." The language Paul used to speak to the people was changed from Hebrew to Aramaic in Acts 22:40 & 22:2 with a footnote suggesting the possibility of the Hebrew tongue being used. How do they know it was Aramaic and not Hebrew? Are these translators more

intelligent than the translators of the Authorized Version? What an insult this is to suggest that the English Authorized Version has been inaccurate and defective for more than three hundred years until this bunch of translators came along to restore the Scriptures back to its original content, intent and purposes of the mind of the original writers! If they are right, certainly even the translators of the NASB do not agree with them here as they left the language used for the verses as Hebrew dialect. Here we can see how much added value we can derive from the opinions of these translators of the modern English versions who do not even agree with each other.

Apparently, these translators of our time seem to imply that the words of the living God must comply with their very exacting, high and demanding standards of scholarship otherwise everything will be treated as suspect. However, God's words are not bound by their ridiculous demands in linguistic license. The authors of the four gospels when describing the same incident or event may not use the same words to describe the same incident or even exactly in the same manner. One example is the incident of devil possession of two men at the graveyard reported by Matthew (Matthew 8:28-34) while Mark (Mark 5:1-20) and Luke (Luke 8:26-39) reported only one person being possessed when writing on the same incident.

Likewise, when the apostle Paul gave his testimony during two separate occasions, he did not use the complete exact word order concerning his dialogue with the Lord Jesus Christ in Acts 22:7 & 8, *And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said unto me, I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom thou persecutest*, and in Acts 26:14 & 15, *And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking unto me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest*. And this does not make the Scriptures any less inspired. The original version of the incident is recorded in Acts 9:4 & 5, *And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks*. Notice Paul included the word "Nazareth" in his testimony in the two occasions which was not originally included in the actual incident which took place in Acts 9. No one with a

right mind would accuse Paul of adding to God's words and render this portion of the Scriptures uninspired!

Divine revelation did not change during the time of the New Testament writings. God continues the same method in times past who at sundry times and in divers manners speaks to His church by the prophets and apostles and the means of transmission of divine revelation included written records supernaturally preserved through the body of believers, eventually compiled into sixty-six books known as the Holy Bible today. Through the ministries of the apostles and the disciples, the Church expanded rapidly from Jerusalem to lands beyond. The Church has been revealed mysteries in times past were hidden and from the writings of the New Testament writers, the Church is being prepared to walk in newness of life in Christ.

Additional revelations on "things to come" continue to fill the pages in the New Testament books culminating in the book of Revelation which brings the readers to events beyond the present heaven and earth into eternity. What has been prophesied in the Old Testament has become a reality in the New Testament. More prophecies are given with regards to events after the Church, the Bride of Christ, is removed from the earth to be united in perfect and joyous union with the Lord Jesus Christ. The chosen nation of Israel though now plays an insignificant role during the Church Age is not altogether ignored and replaced by the Church. Complete fulfillment of Old Testament prophecies will come in days ahead when Israel has been restored to its glorious state as the head of all nations with their King, the King of the Jews, the Lord Jesus Christ reigning from Jerusalem over all the nations on earth.

Angelic appearances were still reported from time to time to deliver, comfort, strengthen and encourage the apostles and God's people. Revelations of the Old Testament Scriptures are made clear in the New Testament. Additional revelations are introduced without written records in the Old Testament. One such revelation is found Jude 1:9, ***Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.*** There is no written account in the Old Testament that mentions about this incident. Another of such revelation is found in Jude 1:14, ***And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints.*** Jude was not quoting from any writings of Enoch in existence. This shows that all

Scriptures are given by inspiration of God. Of course, faithless men will venture to search and seek out for such a book of Enoch and fraudsters will attempt to create one to satisfy this demand for fallen men who like to rely on their fallen mind to understand the Scriptures. As such, there are also extra Biblical writings such as the gospel according to Barnabas to meet the “great need” of these “intellectuals” who treat the Holy Bible like any writings of fallen men.

The Church is prepared through the pages of New Testament to expect the Second Coming of Christ and the Judgment Seat of Christ which awaits the Christian to give an account of the life he lives as a child of the living God during his earthly pilgrimage. While the New Testament was being written and compiled, believers in Christ relied on the apostles and others as well as the Old Testament as guidance for their walk in Christ. Whatever oral commandments and exhortations given, they were sufficient during that time and very often the messages delivered by the messengers were authenticated with miracles performed during those days. The New Testament writings were manually copied and passed on to other believers in Christ. This practice is supported by Scriptures such as the one given in Colossians 4:16, *And when this epistle is read among you, cause that it be read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and that ye likewise read the epistle from Laodicea.* So it is New Testament practice to share New Testament writings with each other for Christians in pursuit of holiness in the fear of God.

However, it is the body of believers, led by the Holy Spirit, that is instrumental in determining what writings are Scriptures and what are not. Through the body of believers, the New Testament writings are compiled and preserved. However, it is of note that the epistle of Laodicea is not preserved for the Church. So the implication is that not all events and acts of the apostles and disciples are to be recorded and be compiled as Scriptures given by inspiration of God. The New Testament writers also collaborated with one another’s account on the life of Christ, His ministries, His death, burial, resurrection and ascension as well as the early history of the church. The writers were also contemporary with each other and often addressed each other by name. The apostle Peter also affirmed the apostle Paul’s writing as Scriptures in 2 Peter 3:15 & 16, *And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some*

things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction. Peter regarded Paul's epistles as equivalent of Scriptures when he compared them with the other Scriptures referring to the Old Testament writings.

Not only that, most of these New Testament authors were Jews and when they wrote to the Church, they freely translated the Hebrew writings in the Old Testament into Greek and firmly believing that there would be no inaccuracy and errors in the process of translation. None of them ever quoted in the New Testament that a better rendering in the Hebrew was this and that. None of them ever showed off their scholarship in the original Biblical language though they were Jews. None of them ever bragged about their superior knowledge in Hebrew. None of them ever worried about any inaccuracy of the Old Testament writings or inadequacies in translating Hebrew Scriptures into Greek when they wrote the New Testament Scriptures. None of them ever suggested the need to rely on the original Biblical language for proper interpretation of the Scriptures. None of the New Testament writers claimed that they were writing under the inspiration of God. They did what was natural as the Lord led and guided them to write to exhort and encourage believers in Christ. None of them ever thought that the Holy Bible would eventually consist of sixty-six books. There is not any hint that they knew the exact number of books to write and stop writing when the number has been reached.

So the God of languages who gives languages to men is not going to be bound by the silly rules and regulations of the modern day "scholars" when giving His words to His people by inspiration. For the Scriptures have well said, ***For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness*** (1 Corinthians 3:19). One would have to be sick in the head to think that God who gives men languages is not aware of grammar and syntax and the implications in the process of translation when He gives His Scriptures by inspiration.

If Old Testaments Scriptures in Hebrew translated into Greek in the New Testament are also called Scriptures, how can it not be true that both the Old and New Testaments translated into English, German, Spanish and other languages cannot be Scriptures? If they are also Scriptures, how can they not be given by inspiration of God? Then why so many Christians, especially those with their minds corrupted since they went to Bible Colleges or Seminaries, will only claim that the original Scriptures in the

original languages are the only inspired Scriptures? Some even claim that only the original copies written by the original authors are the inspired Scriptures!

Some argue that a translation is at best a translation. A translation cannot be perfect. The best one can get is the best translation because the true meanings in the original languages would be lost during the process of translation. If that be the case, then we should still be writing and speaking in Greek and Hebrew unless God wants us to have the second best from His perfect words in the original languages. Then living our lives in God's perfect will would become impossible because God's words are imperfect to begin with in a translation. The best we can get on this matter would be to live our lives in God's permissible will. If that is really the case, reading the newspapers and any other books written by fallen men would be just as beneficial and exciting as far as living a godly Christian life is concerned. As such, the pursuit of perfect spirituality and holiness must be undertaken in the original Biblical languages and we must all endeavor to speak and write in these languages otherwise our faith and walk with God might not even be perfect!

However, it has been shown that such a position is absolutely untenable. The translation of the Old Testament quotes into Greek in the New Testament has never been questioned on its accuracy or infallibility. No author of the New Testament books ever questioned the Old Testament Scriptures they had when they quoted from their copies which could never be the original copies written by the original authors. Only a Biblically faithless person will not believe that God is able to give His words by inspiration in any language at any point in time. Of course, this does not imply that only the Authorized Version of the Holy Bible is the only Bible in the world where the Scriptures are given by inspiration. There certainly are Scriptures in other languages given by inspiration of God for the people of that particular language. But as far as the English-speaking world is concerned, the Authorized Version is no doubt the only Bible where the Scriptures are given by inspiration of God. However, it is not necessary that English will be the language that will continue to be the language commonly used through out the world in perpetuity. The day will come when God restores the world back to its original condition when sinful men have been completely redeemed in eternity to serve and praise God Almighty in one speech and one language where rebellion is forever banished from God's creation. This is definitely not far fetched and wishful thinking. For the

prophet Zephaniah prophesied this in Zephaniah 3:8 & 9, *Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey: for my determination is to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them mine indignation, even all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy. For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.* Of course, pure language is again missing in the NIV and NASB. We should not expect anything pure from these “scholars” and the full implication of the changes they made to the Holy Bible would be discussed in subsequent chapters. Could this pure language be Hebrew that will be the universally accepted language in the future where God’s people will use to serve Him, praise Him and worship Him? We shall all find out when we get there in time!

When God has given the Church the Scriptures by inspiration, will God not preserve His inspired words? Is there any internal evidence from the pages of the Holy Bible that God promised to preserve His words? Certainly, there are numerous places in the Bible where God does promise to preserve His inspired and infallible words while the process of giving His people the Scriptures by inspiration is taking place.

As early as in the writings of Moses, such a promise is already implied when Moses said in Deuteronomy 8:3, *And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.* During those days where revelations from God were mainly given orally through God's prophets as well as via the writings of Moses, the children of Israel were told that their lives depended not only on bread alone but by **EVERY WORD** that proceeded from the mouth of the Lord. The mouth piece of the Lord came through the chosen vessels of the prophets who spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit as testified by the apostle Peter in 2 Peter 1:21, *For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.* Some of such words spoken by the prophets as well as other events that occurred and commandments subsequently given were written and transmitted to the children of Israel so that they might live by every word that came from Jehovah God. If God does not preserve His words as He told the children of Israel by which they should live, the commandment in Deuteronomy 8:3 will be redundant and meaningless.

So the children of Israel continue to receive revelations from the Lord despite their disobedience and apostasies. God still graciously raised up servants and prophets to fulfill His promises given to their fathers and in particular He gives His infallible words to His people so that they might know how to live in the perfect will of God. God's promise of preservation of His inspired words continues to surface through the pages of the Bible. During the time of Samuel, the Lord recorded what He did to preserve His words in 1 Samuel 3:19, *And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him, and did let none of his words fall to the ground.* It is wonderful to see God in actions and still faithfully giving His pure and inspired words even during appalling times when His people were living in open disobedience. The Lord keeps His promise so that His people might be able to live by **EVERY**

WORD that proceeded from the mouth of Jehovah God. So the Lord did not allow His words to fall to the ground. If God would not allow His words to fail during the time when the children of Israel were not being obedient to God, would God also not allow His inspired words to fall to the ground during our own appalling times when God's people are generally lukewarm and apathetic towards the things of Jesus Christ?

Even during the time when the children of Israel were in danger of being wiped out by their enemies, the Lord still graciously comforted His people that He would ensure His promises would stand through the preservation of His word while everything else could fail as recorded in Isaiah 40:6-8, *The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodness thereof is as the flower of the field: The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.*

Not only through perilous times that God promised to preserve His words, God also promised to preserve His words during times of prosperity and peace under the reign of king David. For king David said in Psalm 12:6 & 7, *The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.* David called the words of the Lord pure words. The Lord will preserve this pure words from generation to generation forever. Of course, the enemies of God would not want to believe that God will preserve His pure words forever. According to the NIV in Psalm 12:7, *“O LORD, you will keep us safe and protect us from such people for ever”* while the NASB says, *“Thou wilt preserve him from this generation forever.”* These “scholars” have effectively replaced the subject in Psalm 12:6 from the pure words of the Lord to a person in their perversions in Psalm 12:7. This is however to be expected as they add and subtract the words of the living God at will and to expect them to believe in the supernatural preservation of God's pure words through the body of believers over the history of time guided by Almighty God is being exceedingly hopeful to say the least. Nevertheless, the words of the living God is not bound and God's people will continue to have God's pure words preserved from generation to generation in whatever languages God chooses to give His words.

Interestingly, king David also provided a glimpse into God's attitude towards preservation of His Holy inspired words. This is found in Psalm 119:89, ***For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.*** Here is mentioned that God's word is settled in heaven. It is insanity for Bible believers to claim that God's word is settled only in heaven but it can be unsettled on earth. If God's word is settled in heaven, does not God want His people to have this settled word on earth as well? The implication for this verse is that God's pure word is forever settled in heaven and it is free from any corruptive influences and it is kept out of reach of the Devil and his cohorts and fallen men. Of course this does not suggest that this word of God that is settled in heaven is in the English Authorized King James Version. What the verse shows is that God is able to settle his word in heaven and God is more than able to preserve His pure words in any languages on earth as well. This is the attitude concerning the preservation of God's inspired words.

Moreover, the importance God places on His words cannot be overlooked as when king David said in Psalm 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.*** David informs us that God has magnified His word above all His name. The Lord emphasizes that His word is more important than all His name and as such the word of God is magnified above all His name. If this is the case, which is true, will not God preserve His inspired words for all generation in whatever languages God chooses to give His words by inspiration? The answer is a forgone conclusion that God will definitely keep His promises to preserve His inspired words in spite of evil men energized by the prince of the power of the air to corrupt this pure and righteous words where men may find eternal life. Once again, it is necessary to take a detour to check on what those "scholars" of modern versions think about this verse concerning God magnifying His word above all His name.

According to the NIV, Psalm 138:2 reads, ***"I will bow down towards your holy temple and will praise your name for your love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word."***

With regards to the NASB, Psalm 138:2 reads, ***"I will bow down toward Thy holy temple, And give thanks to Thy name for Thy***

lovingkindness and Thy truth; For Thou hast magnified Thy word according to all Thy name.”

Is it true that the verse in the Authorized Version was written in archaic language and that modern readers could not understand? Which word in the verse that is difficult to understand? Is it because that “Thou hast magnified Thy word above all thy name” is confusing to the reader and as such it requires amendment? Yes, it is certainly confusing to the sick mind of these translators of modern English versions. These high-minded “scholars” cannot stand God’s attitude in magnifying His word above all His name. They cannot stand God putting His word so high up above all His name to keep the words of God beyond the reach of these translators. So they have to bring the word of God down to their level so that they can lay their dirty hands on God’s pure words to corrupt them. If God does magnify His word above all His name is true, which is true of course, then the translators of these modern versions are guilty of high treason for messing around with God’s words! If these “scholars” can flippantly change and remove God’s words, what more will they not do to God’s name! Just one particular verse here will expose the wickedness of these translators and tear to pieces their justification in trying to help the lay people seeking to know God better and giving them an English Bible that is easier to read and understand. What a sick joke!

Just as Moses told the children of Israel that they were supposed to live by every word that proceeded from the mouth of God, when the Lord Jesus Christ came unto the scene during His earthly ministry, He confirmed the same and reinforced this truth revealed thousands of years ago. This commandment is recorded in two of the gospels.

Matthew 4:4, *But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.*

Luke 4:4, *And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.*

Consider what the modern versions have to say on this matter.

This is what the NIV says, *Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man does not live on bread alone.’”* (Luke 4:4) According to the NASB, *And Jesus*

answered him, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE.'" (Luke 4:4)

What happens to the second part of the verse? They just simply vanished into thin air! Is it that the Authorized Version is difficult to read and understand? Well, man of course need not live on bread alone but he can also live on rice, vegetables, noodles, pies, chicken, pizza, burgers, cakes, biscuits and so on. Are the translators trying to be funny! So much for the sake of clarity or style to help the English readers with their perversions! It would not be unkind to question the motives of these translators when they removed the words of the living God at will.

If God did not preserve His inspired words, then Jesus would be asking a question that was impossible to obey in Matthew 21:42, *Jesus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?* How can the people read the Scriptures when they are not preserved throughout the span of time? If the writings that are preserved are called Scriptures, how can they not be inspired?

Similarly, it would be impossible to carry out what we are told to do in John 5:39, *Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.* How can we search the Scriptures if they have not been preserved for us? If the Scriptures are not preserved, then it would be beyond human means to seek after eternal life. This is very serious indeed. After all, what do fallen men need? Fallen men need to know how to acquire eternal life because death is a certainty. Since time immemorial, men had been trying very hard seeking ways and means to achieve immortality or at least try to prolong life on earth. So if God does not preserve the Scriptures, how can men find Christ in the Scriptures?

The Psalmist said in Psalm 119:9-11, *Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word. With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.* How can the Psalmist take heed of God's words and hide God's words in his heart if God did not preserve the Scriptures? It would then be impossible for him to keep his way clean! Do you think this is

God's perfect will for him? Of course God did preserve His pure and inspired words, otherwise, believers would be of all men most miserable.

The Psalmist also said in Psalm 119:16, ***I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.*** This would be a ridiculous claim because if the words of the living God have not been preserved throughout every generation, how can the Psalmist not forget God's word to begin with? He would have no word of God to read and to rely on and forgetting God's word would be a joke!

Once again, the Psalmist prayed in Psalm 119:17, ***Deal bountifully with thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy word.*** How could he keep God's word if he had never seen and read God's words to begin with? Certainly the words of God have been preserved as promised otherwise the Christian faith will be based on feelings and opinions of fallen men.

The apostle Paul revealed that Timothy had known the Scriptures from a child in 2 Timothy 3:15, ***And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.*** How can Timothy know the Scriptures if he does not hold a copy of the Scriptures that has been preserved for him? No one would be crazy enough to suggest that Timothy actually possessed the original copy of the Scriptures written by the original authors. This revelation is extremely crucial. What Timothy has in possession is called the holy Scriptures. The subsequent verse in 2 Timothy implies that the writings that Timothy has are Scriptures given by inspiration of God according to 2 Timothy 3:16, ***All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.*** So it is affirmed that what Timothy had was preserved Scriptures given by inspiration of God.

The purpose of God preserving His inspired words is given in 2 Timothy 3:17, ***That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*** Once again, perfection for the man of God would be a pipe dream if God does not preserve His living words for the child of God. There will be no need to discuss anything about good works if there are no preserved Scriptures given by inspiration of God. Of course, the Bible believing Christians know this to be untrue.

According to the apostle Peter, he claims that the word of the Lord will endure forever in 1 Peter 1:25, ***But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.*** If there is no preservation of God's words, there will be no preaching of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Then the apostle Paul's gospel according to the Scriptures will not be true and will not stand, ***Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures*** (1 Corinthians 15:1-4). The gospel is based on the Scriptures and they are certainly not confined to reading from the original copies written by the original authors.

The promises in the Bible are to be believed literally. This requires faith and this is an exercise of faith in God's words. When God promised that His word will endure forever, it would not be unreasonable to believe that God will preserve His words in every generation in whatever languages He chooses to give to His people.

Furthermore, the apostle Peter testified that even the heavens and earth are kept in store by the word of God recorded in 2 Peter 3:7, ***But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.*** Only modern "scholars" have this tendency to underestimate the power of the word of God. Apparently, the word of God is so powerful that it can keep the heavens and earth together to be reserved until the Day of Judgment. No fallen men can invent weapons of mass destruction great enough to blow the whole earth apart until God's words say that the time is up for this present evil world. Once again, the translators of the NIV and NASB do not think that the word of God is keeping the heavens and the earth.

According to the NIV, ***By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men*** (2 Peter 3:7). The NASB has this to say, ***But the present heavens and earth by His word are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.*** (2 Peter 3:7)

By cleverly rearranging the word “kept” to the second part of the sentence, the word of God is only reserving the heavens and the earth for fire instead of keeping the heavens and the earth according to the Authorized Version of the Holy Bible. This consistent effort in undermining the words of the living God by these “scholars” is not surprising though. This is not the first time they corrupt the words of the living God and it will not be the last. The Devil is busy raising up many more such people to produce more new and updated English versions year after year. It really does not matter how these English versions disagree and contradict with one another; the main objective is to destroy the Authorized King James Bible.

What the apostle Peter claims is collaborated by the author of Hebrew in Hebrews 1:3, *Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.* The Lord Jesus Christ who spoke the world into existence is also upholding all things in the universe by the word of his power. When God in the beginning said, “Let there be light” and there was light, what can He not do just by promising His people that He will preserve His words? Can God not preserve His words?

Furthermore, the author of Hebrew also informs us that, *Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear* (Hebrews 11:3). So it is confirmed for Bible believers that the worlds are framed by the word of God. Not the smallest atom in the smallest element in the entire universe can escape the scrutiny of the word of God. Everything is framed together by the word of God. Nothing in the entire universe can unravel the worlds without the words of the living God giving permission to usher in the events on the Day of Judgment. Once again, it is time to consider what the Modern versions’ translators have to tell us in Hebrew 11:3.

By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God’s command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible (NIV). So the word of God that framed the worlds have been replaced to God’s command! But the word of God is more than the commandment of God. Unfortunately, the Bible education of these “scholars” is so shallow that they cannot tell the difference.

By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things which are visible (NASB). According to them, the word of God only prepared the worlds and the word of God did not frame the worlds. If both these two groups of translators are trying to make the Authorized Version more readable and easily understood, they certainly do not agree with each other again. Is it that the verse in the Authorized Version is archaic and difficult to understand? Certainly not! So their motives are clear. They hate the truth about the power of the words of the living God!

These modern versions' translators seem to have a natural abhorrence on the power of the words of the living God. Whenever the words of God claim to be what they really are and what they are capable of doing beyond human comprehension, the translators will seek to undermine their power and authority. Such adulteration of the words of God is the consistent hallmark of these "scholars." They do not have faith in the words of God. They only have faith in their own fallen minds led by their own depraved and wicked hearts.

According to the author of the book of Hebrew, it is only through faith that we can understand that the worlds are framed by word of God. Not only that, what we are seeing are actually not the real thing. This is because, *While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal* (2 Corinthians 4:18). So what our eyes of flesh are looking at is only temporal which appears only for a while. The things that are permanent are eternal. As such according to Hebrews 11:1, *Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.* Therefore like the author of the book of Hebrew tells us, *But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him* (Hebrews 11:6).

So do you think that the translators of the modern English versions please God? Did they believe in God when they approach Him? Did they seek God diligently? If they do, why is there such tragic misrepresentation in giving the English readers the words of God? Their writings are without doubt not given by inspiration of God. Someone else is giving them the inspiration! Such inspiration is earthly, sensual and devilish. The harm done to the Church by their works is impossible to reckon as far as the

human means of measurement are concerned. But thanks be unto God for His promise in 2 Timothy 2:19, *Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.* Let these translators continue in their iniquities and God shall reward them according to their works.

For the child of God, faith is the pre-requisite in approaching the words of the living God. For without faith, it is impossible to please God. Moreover, God promised to reward those who diligently seek him. For the Scriptures also say, *Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him* (Proverbs 30:5). Without faith in God preserving His inspired words that He promised, the child of God will never be able to see spiritual and eternal things beyond the sun. Furthermore, the child of God is commanded, *That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God* (1 Corinthians 2:5). Faith in the wisdom of men, especially in the modern English perversions, is in direct opposition to the power of God. Their relationships are in inverse proportion. The power of God includes God's power to preserve His words to be inspired, infallible and without error. Then and only then, can the child of God appropriate faith in God's great and precious promises given in 2 Peter 1:4, *Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.* Being a partaker of the divine nature is a privilege reserved only for a sinner saved by the grace of God through the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

With all the smokescreens the Bible critics throwing up to justify Bible revisions and producing newest and latest English versions, the defining issue is the soundness of the word of God in a translation. It is understandable that it is impossible to translate word for word without adding additional words to make the complete sentence make sense as well as translating the same word the same way consistently all the time is not always the case as it will distort the context of the verse and the passage. However, it must be remembered that we are not dealing with any book written by fallen men. We are dealing with divine words came down from above in written form through the instruments of chosen men, albeit men shapen in iniquity and conceived in sin. Notwithstanding, the God who gave languages to men and guided them in the writings of the Scriptures, will He not also preserve and superintend over the translation of His pure and inspired words in any languages that are prevalent during that time in history to fulfill His divine will for His creatures in the universe?

If the answer is negative, then we are presented with a God who will take a back seat in the events of the world and let fallen men work out something that is good and right according to their own eyes. How trustworthy is the promises of God in the Scriptures then? How secure is our salvation in the Lord Jesus Christ? How can we tell which portion of the Bible is true and which is not? What are the standards by which men will eventually be judged? Is there truly a thrice Holy God who is really interested in the affairs of fallen men in this sinful world? There will always be more questions than answers if this is the case.

On the other hand, if God does oversee the process of translation as well as undertake for the translators to ensure that His inspired words are also given by inspiration in that particular language so that eventually the Bible readers will be able to access the truths in the Bible without having to refer back to Hebrew and Greek to get its original meanings, is this what the Bible critics called “Double Inspiration”? If there is a constant need to refer back to the original languages, why is there a need to translate the words of the living God into any other languages in the first place? Then the Koran of the Muslims would appear to be more infallible than the Bible for the Christians! The very reason why the Bible is translated into other languages is to remove the monopoly of spiritual truths by a select class of priesthood and open wide the door of access for the common men to know God in a sure, perfect and personal way!

If God does indeed supernaturally give His inspired words in a translation through the hands of the Bible translators for that particular language, does it not also apply to the translators of the modern English Bibles? Can these Bible “scholars” in our day and age claim that they are been led and guided by the Holy Spirit of God to revise, update and to enhance the English Authorized Version because the common man is no longer able to understand the English Bible written in archaic terminologies and they are actually doing the common man a big favor by giving them an English Bible so that they can certainly know God in a better and more personal way? In order to determine whether the modern Bible translators are actually doing what they are claiming to do, we shall begin to examine some words in the Authorized King James Bible, and see if the changes are indeed necessary and justified. The first word we embark on is the word “sound” which is a very simple word and we will find out how this word is used in connection with other words that is still commonly used in our day.

In Psalm 89:15, the Psalmist says, *Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.* Are there any archaic words here? Let us consider the suggestion offered by the NIV, *Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, O LORD.* Here we are told something that is radically different from the Authorized Version. Is it because the verse here has been wrongly translated for the past hundreds of years and the brilliant “scholars” are finally giving the English-speaking world the true words of the living God? Apparently, the translators of the NASB think otherwise and the words in the Authorized Version are allowed to stand. Can these “scholars” be honest by telling us that they simply do not believe that the words in the Authorized Version are given by inspiration and that is the very reason why they are changing them?

The Psalmist says in Psalm 119:80, *Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed.* Does anyone really think this verse is full of archaic terms and we need to call in the modern “scholars” to our rescue? Let us see what the NIV says in this verse; *May my heart be blameless towards your decrees, that I may not be put to shame.* The NASB also says something that is close to the NIV; *May my heart be blameless in Thy statutes, That I may not be ashamed.* Are they saying the same thing as the Authorized Version? What is wrong with a sound heart? Is a heart that is blameless the same as that of a heart that is sound in the statutes of the Lord?

The translators fail to understand that the heart cannot be blameless unless it is sound!

Concerning wisdom, king Solomon has quite a few things to say. In Proverb 2:7, we are told, ***He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: he is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.*** Is there anyone out there who has a problem with sound wisdom? Definitely there is wisdom in the world that is unsound. Let us consider the NIV again, ***He holds victory in store for the upright, he is a shield to those whose walk is blameless.*** What has victory got to do with sound wisdom? They do not hope to achieve victory without sound wisdom and it is not an exaggeration to say that this is actually common sense. Is it because these “scholars” here lack sound wisdom? Or is it because they hate sound wisdom from the Authorized King James Bible that exposes their lack of soundness in wisdom?

In Proverbs 3:21, we are also admonished, ***My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion.*** We are told that sound wisdom can be kept and we will see whether the “scholars” are trying to take it away from the Bible believers. The NIV says, ***My son, preserve sound judgment and discernment, do not let them out of your sight.*** Indeed sound wisdom has been taken away to be replaced with sound judgment. These people must be kidding! They expect to keep sound judgment without sound wisdom! Like the people in the world say, “Fat hope, slim chance!” They can continue to live on in their own dream worlds till kingdom come. What is wrong with these translators? Surely sound wisdom is absent from these people.

Again in Proverbs 8:14, we have another mention of sound wisdom, ***Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength.*** Do you expect the “scholars” to change sound wisdom into something else? You do not need to have a very high IQ to make an educated guess. Let us see what the NIV says, ***Counsel and sound judgment are mine; I have understanding and power.*** So you see, to say that they lack sound wisdom is an understatement. They have been making wrong judgment all the time because they lack sound wisdom. Actually, these are dangerous people to be in authority as they have judgment without wisdom. At least they have been very consistent in this aspect of their defect and as we continue, we shall examine other areas of their deficiency.

Solomon says, *A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones* (Proverbs 14:30). Is there anyone out there complaining that he does not understand what is a sound heart? Are there any difficult words in this verse? Anyway, let us call in the “experts” and give us a second opinion on the state of the heart. The NIV says, *A heart at peace has great understanding, but envy rots the bones*. This time, the translators of the NASB also wish to offer their expert opinion and so let us hear them out, *A tranquil heart is life to the body, But passion is rottenness to the bones*. Can a heart be at peace if it is not sound? Of course a sound heart is at peace but it is not restricted to having peace alone! There are many aspects that a sound heart can produce such as joy, faith, love and temperance and so on. Why is it that the translators of the NIV are always one step behind the Authorized Version? Perhaps it is due to the lack of sound wisdom and we should indeed pity them. Coming to the NASB, is sound heart easier to understand or tranquil heart? Why choose a word with two syllables when a simple word “sound” is sufficient to make the verse as clear as daylight? This is one of those occasions of showmanship that betrays the motive and intention of these brilliant “scholars” trying to help the common men with a Bible that is easy to read and understand. What about passion? Is it the same as envy? Can they prove that envy is the wrong word being used for the past hundreds of years?

One of the most common precious promises in the Holy Bible which the child of God very often holds dear is 2 Timothy 1:7, *For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind*. For a moment, let us consult the “scholars” and see if they think this promise is literally true. The NIV says, *For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline*, while the NASB says, *For God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but of power and love and discipline*. Now the question is this, did God give the child of God a sound mind or did He just give the child of God discipline or self-discipline? What is discipline or self-discipline? How can we achieve discipline? Is it not from having a sound mind? Can a person have discipline or self-discipline without a sound mind? The person who was vex with devils was not having a sound mind but once he was delivered, he was found to be in the right mind (Mark 5:5).

So the context of this verse is on the spirit of fear. As such, the gift of a sound mind is a promise that is given to overcome this spirit of fear. Discipline and self-discipline are going off a tangent as far as conquering the

spirit of fear is concerned. We do not overcome the spirit of fear by discipline or self-discipline. How do we exercise discipline or self-discipline in order to conquer the spirit of fear? Does it make sense at all? But then we must pardon these “scholars” as they lack sound wisdom from the very beginning and this has resulted them in making unsound judgment. To make up for the this spiritual defect, they have to display their scholarship by using a more difficult word “timidity” instead of the simple word “fear” where everyone can easily understand. But we are really not impressed with this four syllables word because why should we trade spiritual truths with sophistication in vocabulary?

The apostle Paul warned Timothy to, ***Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus*** (2 Timothy 1:13). Why is there such a warning if there is no danger in loosing sound words? Of course the enemies of the cross have been active from of old to steal, corrupt and pervert the words of the living God. Very early in Genesis 3, Eve failed to hold fast the form of sound words, and thus began the process of adding words to what God did not say. Therefore, it is imperative that we consider very carefully what the “experts” think and believe about this warning in the Holy Bible. Let us check with the scholars from the NIV and the NASB respectively; ***What you have heard of me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus,*** and, ***Retain the standard of sound words which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.***

So there we have it. Holding fast the form of sound words must be very difficult to understand for the common men. So we must dismantle the form of sound words and simply keep the pattern of sound teachings according to the translators of the NIV. How do we define what is the pattern and what is sound teaching? As far as they are showing us, any words in the Authorized Version can be and must be changed in order to achieve keeping this pattern of sound teaching. This sound teaching has resulted in over hundreds of newest and latest English versions and it is indeed a wonderful pattern to follow but as to whether this teaching is sound, it is best left to the “scholars” to decide for the common men as they can certainly make sound judgment even in the absence of sound wisdom. We are however, not very sure whether this is the work of those who have a sound mind! Perhaps self-discipline is a very strong motivating factor in ensuring the removal of sound words from the Authorized Version.

On the other hand, the translators of the NASB suggested that it is better to retain the standard of sound words instead of the form of sound words whose form is already fixed. A standard must emerge and there we have the American **Standard** Version, the New American **Standard** Bible, the Revised **Standard** Version and many other **standards** of versions and we are getting more and more differing **standards** of English versions and there is still no end in sight. Is this the way to retain the standard of sound words or is it actually creating more differing standards of unsound words? As a result, there are no more sound words left for the child of God. Do you see what these Bible critics who claim to champion the cause for the common men are doing? There are so many simple and easy words that have been replaced by the “experts” in their fields and the result is appalling.

So the apostle Paul’s warning is very real. We can sense the urgency of his appeal and we are told to **hold fast** and not just to keep or retain the form of sound words as suggested by the pseudo scholars. The form of sound words is fast slipping from the hands of the child of God with the proliferation of all kinds of English versions of unsound words. The main objective of the enemies of the cross is to steal the form of sound words from the child of God. That is why the child of God must do his utmost to hold fast the form of sound words. No carelessness is allowed in this great endeavor otherwise like the Psalmist said, “*If the foundation be destroyed, what can the righteous do?*” It would be tragic beyond measure and this is no doubt an understatement!

It has been proven time and again that the translators of the modern English Versions hate the Authorized King James Bible. They will find occasions to remove and replace words in the Authorized Version even though the words used are not difficult to read and understand or inaccurate. The words of the living God are evidently so powerful that they sent these translators reeling in disbelief of their power and authority. And so they must be removed and replaced at all cost. Consider the following verses below.

In Hebrews 4:12 we are told, *For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged 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.* One does not need a lot of education to understand this verse and the power of the words of God is clearly manifested for all to see. Of course the modern versions will disagree.

For the word of God is living and active, Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart (NIV).

For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart (NASB).

The word “quick” in the Authorized Version simply means “to be alive” just like “to quicken” means “to come alive.” No replacement is necessary. However, the word “powerful” is too strong a word for these pseudo scholars and they cannot stomach this truth that the word of God is actually very **powerful** indeed. So they have it replaced as “active.” Of course active does not mean powerful. A child who is active does not mean he is a powerful child. Herein reveals the hatred these translators harbored towards the Authorized Version.

Moreover, a simpler word like “piercing” would be sufficient to convey the action of the word of God but the NIV translators used a more difficult and longer word “penetrates” perhaps to show off their linguistic skills. Is the word piercing archaic and needs to be replaced?

Intents can be used as a noun and this time the NASB translators choose to use the longer form of the same word and hence the word “intention” is used. Moreover, the NIV translators replaced the word “intents” with “attitudes.” Is this a more accurate rendering of the Greek? Apparently, even the NASB translators do not think so! Besides, intents and attitudes do not mean the same thing. Is the word of God only capable of discerning the attitudes and not the intents of the heart of men? And so the word of God is being watered down to mean something less serious.

Even those who do not like the apostle Paul’s preaching claimed that he writings were powerful according to 2 Corinthians 10:10, *For his letters, say they, are weighty and powerful; but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech contemptible.* So what have we got from the NIV and NASB? Let us proceed without expecting too much from these crowd.

For some say, “His letters are weighty and forceful, but in person he is unimpressive and his speaking amounts to nothing” (NIV). Here the word “powerful” has been replaced with the word “forceful.” These people who cannot believe and accept the fact that the writings of the apostle Paul is given by inspiration of God have to remove this word “powerful.” It is simply just too much for them. For them God’s words can only be forceful but not powerful. Something can be forceful but not necessarily powerful. However, something that is powerful will sure to surpass the act of just being forceful. Evidently, they do not think that the word of God is so powerful that it can bring a lost sinner to his knees and beg God for forgiveness and salvation for his poor lost soul. Once again, to impress the poor English-speaking readers, the longer word “unimpressive” is used. Maybe, they suppose the word “weak” is too simple to be used in the Scriptures and must be replaced with something more scholarly! So “contemptible” is replaced with “his speaking amounts to nothing.” Do they carry the same meaning? To hold one in contempt is not the same as regarding the person as nothing.

For they say, “His letters are weighty and strong, but his personal presence is unimpressive, and his speech contemptible” (NASB). Similarly, the word “strong” is used to replace “powerful.” So God’s words can be strong but they cannot be powerful, according to these translators. These people certainly are strong but not powerful in the English language! Their versions are not expected to be powerful to the salvation of lost sinners

for they do not have a powerful gospel but only a strong message for the lost and dying world.

Concerning the power given to the Lord Jesus Christ to forgive sins during His earthly ministry, the Authorized King James Bible gives full credit to the Lord in Matthew 9:6-8, *But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house. And he arose, and departed to his house. But when the multitude saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men.* What can the NIV and NASB tell us about this? Let us take a look!

But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins....” Then he said to the paralytic, “Get up, take your mat and go home.” When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to men (NIV).

“But in order that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins’ – then He said to the paralytic, “Rise, take up your bed, and go home.” And he rose, and went to his home. But when the multitudes saw this, they were filled with awe, and glorified God, who had given such authority to men (NASB).

The two groups of translators agree that the Lord Jesus Christ only has authority to forgive sins on earth but He does not have the power to do so. These people do not seem to understand that having authority and power do not mean the same thing. A weak government may be given authority to enact laws but it does not necessarily mean that they have the power to enforce the laws. A policeman may have authority to arrest a criminal but he may not have the power to do so if he is outnumbered and outgunned.

Likewise corresponding passages in Mark 2:10 and Luke 5:24, the power of the Lord Jesus Christ to forgive sins has been replaced with the authority to forgive sins. The power failures of this bunch of “scholars” are really pathetic! They have a natural power phobia when they have to handle the word of the living God that is quick and powerful and the word of God will tear them to pieces whenever they lay their dirty hands on the pages of the Holy Bible.

Concerning the power given unto Satan in Hebrews 2:14, ***Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;*** the NIV and NASB left the power in tact for Satan. They believe Satan has the power of death but the Lord Jesus Christ does not have the power to forgive sins. It makes one wonder what kind of salvation these people received? Don't you think it is quite amazing?

Coming to the great commission given to the disciples in Matthew 28:18-20, ***And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen,*** we are informed that they are given the full power to carry out the work of preaching the gospel to all nations. Pity the translators of NIV and NASB who only have authority given to them without power. What kind of gospel do you expect them to preach? What kind of results do you expect from them and those who use their perversions? No wonder gospel works are not the forte of these people who are only armchair warriors majoring in criticizing the Scriptures in the Holy Bible and adulterating the pure and living words of the living God.

Anyone believing in the accuracy and the power of the modern versions are asking for trouble when they believe and act on what they say. In Luke 10:19, ***Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you,*** the disciples are given power against the enemies and victory is guaranteed and no harm will befall them. Let us see how the NIV and NASB fare on this matter.

I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you (NIV).

Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall injure you (NASB).

These translators are giving people the authority while the enemy has the power. In essence, they are authorizing people to commit suicide! This is definitely not the commandment given by the Lord Jesus Christ. It is a commandment given by the enemy of the cross. It sounds like what took place back in the Garden of Eden. Someone said to the woman, “Ye shall not surely die.” So Eve has been given the authority to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil but not the power to eat of the tree of life!

These translators, definitely not under the influence of the Holy Spirit, have been undermining the power given to the Lord Jesus Christ. In John 17:2, *As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him*, the Lord Jesus claimed that He has been given power over all flesh so that He might give eternal life to those that the Father has given Him. Once again, according to the NIV and NASB, the Lord Jesus Christ has only been given authority but not power. So they robbed the Lord Jesus Christ of the power that He is supposed to be given. Therefore, the Lord Jesus Christ is only authorized to give eternal life but not the power to ensure the recipients obtain eternal life! How secure is eternal life obtained from these perversions if we are to believe that they are Scriptures from the true and living God!

The words “power” and “authority” certainly are not the same and they do not mean the same thing. To claim that the translators of the Authorized Version are not aware of this is complete nonsense. It can be shown in the Scriptures that they definitely know the difference between the two words and they do translate them accordingly as shown in 1 Corinthians 15:24, *Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.*

Likewise according to Luke 9:1, *Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases*, the disciples were given not only authority but power as well over all devils and to cure all diseases. The same is true in Matthew 10:1 and Mark 3:15 where the power given to the disciples is replaced with the word “authority.” Who would want to rely on the NIV and NASB in Luke 10:19 to tread on serpents and scorpions armed only with authority without power! The translators of the Authorized Version certainly know when to translate the word “power” and the word “authority.”

Once again, the Lord Jesus Christ is dethroned of his absolute power in Colossians 2:10, ***And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power***, when the NIV and NASB changed the phrase “all principality and power” to “every power and authority” and “all rule and authority” respectively. However, the Lord Jesus Christ is the Great Sovereign King of kings and Lord of lords and these titles that the modern English versions confer upon Him is a great insult of the highest order! The power of the Lord Jesus Christ surpasses all human sovereigns because He is the King eternal, immortal, invisible the only Potentate and the only wise God who dwells in light which no man can approach unto and no man has seen nor can see. For the Psalmist says ***Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite*** (Psalm 147:5). This time the NASB is guilty of stripping God of His power in their versions, ***“Great is our Lord, and abundant in strength; His understanding is infinite.”***

The powerless modern versions are quite consistent in removing power from God and they think they are given the “power” to do what they are doing in corrupting the Scriptures. The apostle Paul told the Christians in Rome that, ***Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began*** (Romans 16:25). As can be expected, God’s power to stablish a Christian is watered down to “able to establish you” in the NIV and NASB. These high-minded “scholars” have been shown to detest the power of God in no uncertain terms. While these people continue to under-power God’s words, Bible believers will talk of His power like the Psalmist says in Psalm 145:11, ***They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power***. So the NIV tells us that, ***“They will tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might.”*** Perhaps the translators here are preparing people for a different kingdom, a kingdom without power due to the constant power failures of the NIV!

With so many blackouts occurring from time to time in the modern versions, they are thoroughly confused by now and when Jude praised God in Jude 1:25, ***To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and for ever. Amen.*** They are not sure what to do with the phrase “dominion and power.” The NIV changed it to “power and authority” while the NASB replaced it with “dominion and authority.” If the Authorized Version is wrong, inaccurate or unreadable, they still cannot even agree among themselves. Why? This is because of

their flippant replacements of God's words when there are absolutely no grounds to do so.

When the apostle Paul mentioned of the "power of Satan" in Acts 26:18, the NASB changed it to "dominion of Satan." Moreover, in Matthew 6:13, *And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen*, the second part of the verse is curiously missing in the NIV! So no kingdom, no power and no glory for the NIV translators, Amen! Furthermore, when the apostle Paul exalted the Lord in 1 Timothy 6:16, *Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen*, the word "power everlasting" was changed to "might for ever." It appears that the Lord of these "scholars" and the Lord Jesus Christ we worship are not the same Lord! The lord of these "scholars" only has might forever, while our Lord Jesus Christ has everlasting power.

In Numbers 14:17, Moses was pleading with the Lord to spare the children of Israel, *And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my LORD be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying*, the NIV translators' version is *"Now may the Lord's strength be displayed, just as you have declared."* The greatness of God's power and displaying God's strength do not mean the same thing. This is just another vain attempt to tone down God's power.

Consider also 2 Samuel 22:33, *God is my strength and power: And he maketh my way perfect.*

It is God who arms me with strength and makes my way perfect (NIV).

God is my strong fortress; And He sets the blameless in His way (NASB).

Are they saying the same thing? Why are the two verses so different? Are not they supposed to make the archaic English words in the Authorized Version easier to read and understand? So how can we expect a consistent, accurate, inspired and infallible Bible from these "scholars"? Can we ever take these people seriously? How powerless are these English versions! Can they ever be useful for this lost and dying world?

Are all the amendments justified in the NIV and NASB? Are the words in those verses difficult to read or understand? Can the NIV and NASB be trusted after all? When Jude spoke of dominion and power, dominion indicates the space and subjects under God's jurisdiction while power demonstrates the strength and reach of enforcement of God's law. The NIV's "power and authority" is not multi-dimensional and is only earth bound while the NASB's "dominion and authority" indicates an impotent office that lacks power to enforce its territorial jurisdiction. How pathetic! To be expected though!

In Acts 10:38 the Authorized Version tells us, *How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.* According to the NIV, "*how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.*" Notice the Authorized Version says "all that were oppressed by the devil" but the NIV says "all who were under the power of the devil." Where there is no power in the verse for the devil in the Authorized King James Bible, the NIV translators crowned the devil with power. Imagine they have been stripping the power from God all this while and they are now giving credit to the devil! How audacious can these "scholars" get in dethroning Christ and enthroning the devil! What is the heart condition of these translators?

One of the very important salvation verses is John 1:12 and we are told, *But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.* As usual, these translators panic when they see the power of God appearing, especially concerning salvation of lost sinners. According to their perversions, the word "power" must be changed to "right." Once again, power and right do not mean the same thing! Possession of right does not necessarily mean possession of power. Possession of power will include its right as well. One may have the right to a property, but this does not mean he has the power to enforce his right on the property. But thanks be unto God for those who received the Lord Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior that they are not only given the right but the power as well to become the sons of God. Readers who obtain salvation from these perversions must be very insecure children!

With regular power outages from the modern powerless English versions, one does not expect to be able to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ and to have power with God and men! How can one expect to find light in these versions! Their motives have been exposed! They simply cannot stand God having power over His subjects. These “scholars” want to reserve power for themselves to judge the Scriptures instead of being subject to the Scriptures. But their evil works need not terrify Bible believers for they will be rewarded according to their works. Like the Psalmist, the child of God can trust in the preserved inspired, inerrant and infallible words of the living God because God’s protection is promised to those who trust in His words. ***As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him*** (Psalm 18:30).

With the translators of the ultra modern English versions proliferating the market with their lies, it will not be surprising to find them trifle with the words “true” and “truth” in the Authorized Version because they have not known to be truthful and as such telling the truth is not to be expected from them. From experience we know that telling the truth has never been the forte of these “scholars.” So truth has become the next casualty on the target list of words to be removed from the Holy Bible. As far as removing and replacing the words “true” and “truth” are concerned, the NIV is most culpable in their disregard to the truth of the living God. Where the verses in the NASB allow the words and the meanings of the words “true” and “truth” to remain unchanged, they are not cited in the discussion here.

Psalm 19:9

The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. (AV)

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The ordinances of the LORD are sure and altogether righteous. (NIV)

What is wrong with the word “true”? Is it a difficult word to understand? Is it inaccurate? If it is, then even the translators of the NASB disagree with them. They left the word “true” to remain in the verse. What happen to judgment? Are they afraid of God’s judgment and they have to change it to ordinances? Is it not judgments that are true better than judgments that are sure? Sure judgments are not necessarily true judgments! Sure judgments without being true judgment will result in miscarriage of justice! But true judgments are not only sure, they ensure that correct justice is done as well!

2 Corinthians 1:18

But as God is true, our word toward you was not yea and nay. (AV)

But as surely as God is faithful, our message to you is not “Yes” and “No” (NIV)

But as God is faithful, our word to you is not yes and no. (NASB)

Does it mean that faithful is equal to true? Or is “faithful” better than “true” and it conveys the best and the most accurate meaning of the verse? Does faithfulness imply truthfulness in every case? One can be faithful to the wrong person or for the wrong cause! Of course God is faithful but He is more than being just faithful; He is true and in Him is no darkness at all! When will these “experts” concede that God is indeed true and He means what He says and says what He means! Anyway, we are used to these “scholars” consistently misjudging God and underestimating His power and His promises to preserve His pure and holy words!

Hebrews 10:22

Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. (AV)

[L]et us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. (NIV)

[L]et us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. (NASB)

A heart that is sincere is by no means true. There are many people in the world who have hearts that are sincere and they are doing many things out of a sincere heart. Unfortunately, many people are sincerely wrong. You think a Christian can approach God just with a sincere heart? Cain was no doubt “sincere” in his offerings hoping for God’s acceptance for the work of his own hands. But God is not interested in just sincerity. He requires truth in the inward parts of men as mentioned by king David in Psalm 51:6, *Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.* Approaching God with a sincere heart is not good enough; it is only a true heart that God will accept.

Matthew 22:16

And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in

truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men. (AV)

They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians, "Teacher," they said, "we know you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. (NIV)

Mark 12:14

And when they were come, they say unto him, Master, we know that thou art true, and carest for no man: for thou regardest not the person of men, but teachest the way of God in truth: Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar, or not? (AV)

They came to him and said, "Teacher, we know you are a man of integrity. You aren't swayed by men, because you pay no attention to who they are; but you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not? (NIV)

Does the word "integrity" carry the same meaning of the word "true"? If it is, why is a four syllables word chosen instead of a word with only one syllable? The word "true" is definitive and far surpasses the word "integrity" used to describe the attributes of the Lord Jesus Christ. No one can "sway" the Lord because He is not a respecter of person, that is why He "carest for no man." Furthermore, Christ does not teach "in accordance with the truth" as though there is any possible deviation from the truth; He teaches the way of God **in truth** because He is **the truth!**

Nehemiah 9:13

Thou camest down also upon mount Sinai, and spakest with them from heaven, and gavest them right judgments, and true laws, good statutes and commandments. (AV)

You came down from Mount Sinai; you spoke to them from heaven. You gave them regulations and laws that are just and right, and decrees and commands that are good. (NIV)

Don't you think that "regulations and laws" sound so man-made? Thank God that the Lord gives "right judgment and **true laws**" as oppose to

regulations and laws that could be false which bind heavy burden upon men! Once you do not have true laws, you will be left with man-made regulations and laws. This is one of the main objectives of the modern day translators seeking to replace God's true law with their man-made regulations and laws.

Genesis 24:27

And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of my master Abraham, who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I being in the way, the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren. (AV)

[S]aying, "Praise be to the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who has not abandoned his kindness and faithfulness to my master. As for me, the Lord has led me on the journey to the house of my master's relatives." (NIV)

God has promised Abraham in truth and His truth will not fail to materialize. God will not allow His mercy and truth to fail for His chosen people while the enemies of the cross continue to seduce God's people by promising them love, faithfulness and kindness. These are the favorite words used by the "scholars" to replace the word "truth." However, those who know the truth are not taken in by their wiles and evil designs.

Exodus 18:21

Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens. (AV)

But select capable men from all the people – men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain – and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. (NIV)

Trustworthy is subjective while truth is definitive. Trustworthy men are not necessarily men of truth. These translators are definitely "trustworthy" men entrusted to give the readers a trustworthy English Bible that is easier to read and understand but they turned out not to be men of truth. Each time when the truth of God appears, they have to erase it. Do

you think they are men of truth? “Trustworthy” men perhaps! But you have to read between the lines!

Exodus 34:6

And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth. (AV)

And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, “The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness. (NIV)

With abundant goodness and truth, abounding in love and faithfulness is a foregone conclusion. Only these translators are not aware of this truth. Again, the person abounding in love and faithfulness does not necessarily possess abundant goodness and truth. We can see how shallow is the scholarship of these translators.

Joshua 24:14

Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD. (AV)

Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your forefathers worshipped beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. (NIV)

Serving the Lord in faithfulness is certainly not good enough because it may not be based on truth. Cain was faithful too but he was rejected. On the other hand, Abel was not only faithful and truthful but most importantly he served the Lord in **truth!**

1 Samuel 12:24

Only fear the LORD, and serve him in truth with all your heart; for consider how great things he hath done for you. (AV)

But be sure to fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you. (NIV)

Ever wondered why Christians would not leave churches that do not stand on the Authorized King James Bible? They think that they are right with God because they are serving “**faithfully**” and never mind whether they are serving in “**truth.**” Well, these people can serve their own god faithfully in perverting the words of the living God but we will serve God in **truth** with all our heart.

2 Samuel 2:6

And now the LORD show kindness and truth unto you: and I also will requite you this kindness, because ye have done this thing. (AV)

May the LORD now show you kindness and faithfulness, and I too will show you the same favour because you have done this. (NIV)

It has to be a different lord who consistently shows faithfulness without truth. But the Lord of truth will show His people His **truth**; especially the truth concerning the preservation of His inspired, inerrant and infallible words; in particular, the words of God are given in the Authorized King James Bible. Sufferers of Truth Phobic Syndrome will seek to remove this very important word.

1 Kings 2:4

That the LORD may continue his word which he spake concerning me, saying, If thy children take heed to their way, to walk before me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul, there shall not fail thee (said he) a man on the throne of Israel. (AV)

[A]nd that the LORD may keep his promise to me: ‘If your descendants watch how they live, and if they walk faithfully before me with all their heart and soul, you will never fail to have a man on the throne of Israel.’ (NIV)

Once again, walking faithfully and walking in truth are not the same. Walking in truth will far surpass walking faithfully because one cannot walk in truth without being faithful but walking in faithfulness does not mean he

is walking in truth! Just some very elementary truths that the “scholars” do not seem to possess!

2 Chronicles 31:20

And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and wrought that which was good and right and truth before the LORD his God. (AV)

This is what Hezekiah did throughout Judah, doing what was good and right and faithful before the LORD his God. (NIV)

According to these translators, Hezekiah missed out doing **truth** before the Lord. As we know by now, it is these translators who have not been doing **truth** before the Lord. **Truth** has been faithfully removed by these translators!

Esther 9:30

And he sent the letters unto all the Jews, to the hundred twenty and seven provinces of the kingdom of Ahasuerus, with words of peace and truth. (AV)

And Mordecai sent letters to all the Jews in the 127 provinces of the kingdom of Xerxes – words of goodwill and assurance. (NIV)

How can we have goodwill and assurance without peace and truth? As usual, the NIV always falls short of the truth! Certainly, Satan can offer goodwill and assurance for those who seek to destroy God’s truth but what he cannot offer them is peace and truth. Peace and truth are never found in the person of Satan.

Psalms 57:3

He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him that would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth his mercy and his truth. (AV)

He sends from heaven and saves me, rebuking those who hotly pursue me; Selah God sends his love and his faithfulness. (NIV)

In time of crisis, God's mercy and truth will be more important than love and faithfulness without truth! God's love and faithfulness sound so vague! What is the basis for comfort and encouragement during the time of trouble? Love and more love, faithfulness and more faithfulness will not do when being pursued by the enemies. When all hope is lost God's mercy is needed for protection and deliverance and God's truth is required for assurance and comfort.

Psalm 25:10

All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies. (AV)

All the ways of the LORD are loving and faithful for those who keep the demands of his covenant. (NIV)

Would you rather walk in the Lord's path of mercy and truth or the ways that are loving and faithful? Those who walk in reality will choose the path of mercy and truth because they know that the danger of the spiritual warfare is extremely real. Those living in their own dream world will no doubt choose the ways that are loving and faithful like the immature and unstable Charismatic Christians. Truth is never part of the menu of these unstable and emotional people. They indulge in love without truth because the covenant with hell is quite demanding; truth must be locked up in the prison with the keys thrown away and this is the pre-requisite for those seeking such privilege covenantal membership with the devil!

Psalm 30:9

What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit? Shall the dust praise thee? shall it declare thy truth? (AV)

What gain is there in my destruction, in my going down into the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it proclaim your faithfulness? (NIV)

What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise Thee? Will it declare Thy faithfulness? (NASB)

The question here is whether the dust will declare God's **truth** faithfully and not whether the dust is declaring truthfully of God's

faithfulness. Have these people not read the account when the Lord Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem in Luke 19:37-40, *And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen; Saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest. And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples. And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out?* Jesus said that the stones would testify of God's truth that He is the King of the Jews. When sinful men refuse to tell the truth, the dust will declare God's truth. Let this be a lesson for these "scholars" who have been consistently refusing to testify of God's truth!

Psalm 57:10

For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds. (AV)

For great is your love, reaching to the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies. (NIV)

Are truth and faithfulness the same? If they are, the translators have once again chosen a three syllables word instead of a word with only one syllable to impress the readers and lying about making the Bible easier to read and understand. Is it that the translators of the Authorized Version made a mistake and it took more than three hundred years before these bunch of "scholars" showed up to restore the correct translation in English for the English speaking world? However, even the translators of the NASB beg to differ and the word "truth" is still left unchanged here. So what do we have here? Is it truth or faithfulness? Based on internal evidence that God promised to preserve His words, we reject the translation of the NIV and consign it to the nearest dustbin.

Psalm 60:4

Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Selah (AV).

But those who fear you, you have raised a banner to be unfurled against the bow. Selah (NIV)

What rubbish are they trying to tell us? Unfurl a banner in a shopping mall to sell one hundred different most updated and modern English translations with no certainty of the words of truth? It is really a joke! It is a banner of truth that the Lord will raise up for those who fear Him. It is definitely not any kind of banner for the bow! Why are they so fearful of the word “truth”? It is really pass finding out!

Psalm 61:7

He shall abide before God for ever: O prepare mercy and truth, which may preserve him. (AV)

May he be enthroned in God's presence for ever; appoint your love and faithfulness to protect him. (NIV)

It is much safer to be preserved by mercy and truth than by love and faithfulness. What value can be derived from love and faithfulness without truth? There are sinners who also love the devil with faithfulness. The devil sure can promise his followers love as long as they remain faithful. But this is definitely a different kind of love. No one ever claims to love Satan because of mercy and truth! Have anyone ever heard of Satan been merciful and truthful? Such is the folly of messing with God's Holy word. Love and faithfulness offer little protection without mercy and truth. At the end of the day, Satan will tell this people who love him, “Well done! My good and faithful serpents.”

Psalm 69:13

But as for me, my prayer is unto thee, O LORD, in an acceptable time: O God, in the multitude of thy mercy hear me, in the truth of thy salvation. (AV)

But I pray to you, O LORD, in the time of your favour; in your great love, O God, answer me with your sure salvation. (NIV)

Salvation without truth is a false gospel. Jesus is **the Truth**. It is God who hears sinners' cries in the **truth** of God's salvation that they are saved. It is not some sure salvation. Sure salvation without truth will surely lead to hell. This loving, faithful and sure salvation is dangerous business because

it seeks to align itself with the true gospel of Jesus Christ based on the **truth** in Christ to confuse seekers of the truth.

Psalm 71:22

I will also praise thee with the psaltery, even thy truth, O my God: unto thee will I sing with the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel. (AV)

I will praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God; I will sing praise to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel. (NIV)

Is it faithfulness or truth? For obvious reason, these people cannot praise God for His truth. How can they praise God for His truth when they do not believe we have God's truth? They only have reliable words instead of the certainty of the words of truth and they are very comfortable with true instructions instead of the law of truth. Hence, they are perfectly happy just to be praising somebody for faithfulness.

Psalm 85:10

Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other. (AV)

Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace have kiss each other. (NIV)

What will "Love" say to "Faithfulness" when they meet? "Love" thanks "Faithfulness" for being faithful and "Faithfulness" praises "Love" for being loving? What a perfect couple! But what crazy idea is this? As far as the words of truth are concerned, truth demands judgment on the sinner but mercy pleads for the sinner's forgiveness. For a saved sinner, mercy and truth have met together in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ! Praise the Lord for His truth endures to all generations! We should not expect these truth-less "scholars" to know such wonderful truth from the Holy Bible. They have been and always will be spiritually defective!

Psalm 85:11

Truth shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall look down from heaven. (AV)

Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven. (NIV)

Needless to say, we need truth springing out of the earth more than faithfulness as it has been proven time and again that that faithfulness is no guarantee of truth because miscarriage of justice can be condoned faithfully when truth is fallen to the ground. But God will not allow His truths to fall to the ground. What He has promised, He is able to fulfill unto the uttermost.

Psalm 100:5

For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations. (AV)

For the LORD is good and his love endures for ever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. (NIV)

For the LORD is good; His lovingkindness is everlasting, And His faithfulness to all generations. (NASB)

Here we have two testimonies against one. After more than three hundred years, if the verse in the Authorized Version can be proven wrong, then certainly the truth of the Lord does not endure forever! Let us consider the matter carefully, in English of course! What are the meanings of faith, faithful and faithfulness? Are they not supposed to stand the test of time? If “faith” and “faithful” cannot stand the test of time, they become “faithless” and “unfaithful,” like the children of Israel. Then faithfulness will no longer be true. Since when God has been unfaithful that requires a statement to that effect to calm the nerves of some people? If God’s faithfulness has to continue and endure the test of time, it will become self-contradictory on the part of God. God has been and always will be faithful. The apostle Paul tells us that, ***If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us: If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself*** (2 Timothy 2:12 & 13). It is men that have been unfaithful. God’s faithfulness is understood to be one of God’s attributes. There is no need for a verse like the NIV and NASB to impinge on the character of God. On the other hand, it must be made clear that God’s truth will endure to all generations despite the enemies of the cross trying to discredit God. It is obvious that they hate to see such a verse proclaiming the endurance of the

truth of God to all generations. The truth of the Lord will endure to all generations in any language God chooses to give at any point in history.

Psalm 86:15

But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth. (AV)

But you, O Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness. (NIV)

Once again, there is little value in “love and faithfulness” without “mercy and truth”! Love and faithfulness cannot guarantee mercy and truth but the very basis for true love and faithfulness is mercy and truth. When will these “scholars” ever understand this very simple truth! We cannot help but wonder why these “experts” always prefer “love and faithfulness” to “mercy and truth”? Are they having a conscience problem with regards to removing God’s truth from the Holy Bible?

Psalm 89:14

Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face. (AV)

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you. (NIV)

So it is mercy and truth that will go before the face of the Lord. As such, mercy and truth are the constant remembrance before the Lord by which all things are judged. That is why all the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth (Psalm 25:10) because they are constantly before his face. Praise the Lord for allowing mercy and truth to meet together (Psalm 85:10) when He sees us through the person of the blessed Lord Jesus Christ and all our iniquity is therefore purged (Proverbs 16:6).

Psalm 91:4

He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. (AV)

He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge: his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. (NIV)

He will cover you with His pinions, And under His wings you may seek refuge; His faithfulness is a shield and bulwark. (NASB)

What a flimsy shield is this if it is manufactured based on faithfulness by the wrong people using the wrong material! It will not be able to withstand the fiery darts of the evil one. The true shield and buckler made of truth will be able to protect the child of God from the evil design of these people trying to pervert the words of the living God. By the way, what is a pinion? Is not the modern translation supposed to be easier to read and understand? Somebody must be trying to show off his “scholarship” or is he just giving his opinion on the word “pinion”? We are really not impressed by such showmanship!

Psalm 98:3

He hath remembered his mercy and his truth toward the house of Israel: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. (AV)

He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. (NIV)

He has remembered His lovingkindness and His faithfulness to the house of Israel; All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. (NASB)

Once again, these translators tremble when they see the word “truth.” They forget that mercy and truth have met together in Psalm 85:10. Oh, the NIV translators have also changed this verse but not the NASB in Psalm 85:10! How inconsistent? It is not that God can forget His love and faithfulness towards the nation of Israel. How can the Lord forget when He told them that He had loved them with an everlasting love (Jeremiah 33:3)? God’s love is always faithful but not men’s love. But here God chooses to remember His mercy and truth toward the house of Israel and will perform all He promises to this nation.

Psalm 108:4

For thy mercy is great above the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds. (AV)

For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies. (NIV)

Is it truth or faithfulness for this case? But the NASB also says truth! It is truth that shall spring forth from the earth that will reach unto the clouds. When truth reaches unto the clouds with mercy great above the heavens, they meet each other in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ! What a beautiful picture of God's wondrous truth preserved in the Authorized King James Bible!

Psalm 111:8

They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness. (AV)

They are steadfast for ever and ever, done in faithfulness and uprightness. (NIV)

Things that are done in faithfulness do not mean they are done in truth. Truth and faithfulness are not the same. An evil regime can torture his people in faithfulness into submission but they are definitely not done in truth. Faithfulness without truth will lead to cultic behavior.

Psalm 117:2

For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise ye the LORD. (AV)

For great is his love towards us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for ever. (NIV)

Evidently, there are people who do not want the truth of the LORD to endure forever. So replacing it with God's faithfulness makes sense. They would rather people be faithful without truth. Don't rock the boat! Just be faithful! Any versions will do! Leave everything to the "scholars." They

will give us the truth! Be faithful! More English versions are on its way! Just be faithful! But thank God for preserving His words of truth for every generation in any languages He chooses to give, Amen! The **truth** of the Lord endures forever in spite of the sickening trash put out by these “scholars”!

Psalm 132:11

The LORD hath sworn in truth unto David; he will not turn from it; Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne. (AV)

The LORD swore an oath to David, a sure oath that he will not revoke: “One of your own descendants I will place on your throne. (NIV)

The Lord of the NIV did not swear in truth, he simply swore an oath. King David must be feeling quite insecure with such a flimsy promise! Anyone can swear anything including an oath but how much is it is truth remains to be seen. Just some common sense that is uncommon to these truth-less “scholars.”

Psalm 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. (AV)

I will bow down towards your holy temple and will praise your name for your love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted all things your name and your word. (NIV)

Praising the faithfulness of someone is dangerous business when it is not done in truth. The Psalmist here is not praising the name of the Lord for His faithfulness, which is self-evident. Rather he is praising the name of the Lord for His truth because it is true that God has magnified His word above all His name, which the “scholars” refuse to acknowledge and believe! This is a very important **truth** that God has magnified His word above all His name. What else will the Lord not do if this is the case? The Lord indeed has preserved all His pure and inspired words given by inspiration in any languages He chooses to give for all generations, world without end, Amen!

Psalm 146:6

Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth for ever. (AV)

[T]he Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them – the LORD, who remains faithful for ever. (NIV)

Who made heaven and earth, The sea and all that is in them; Who keeps faith forever. (NASB)

Here we go again. When God says He will keep truth forever, these “scholars” are reeling in disbelief. Perhaps, they are thinking that they are now the guardian and dispenser of God’s truth! Despite their constant assault on the word of God, it is God that keeps truth forever and so these people cannot hope for victory in their quest to removing and replacing God’s word.

Proverbs 3:3

Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart. (AV)

Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. (NIV)

We can abandon the “love and faithfulness” of the NIV but let us not forsake “mercy and truth.” Perhaps this version is meant for the Charismatic who loves to show off their love and faithfulness but mercy and truth are never the forte of these emotional, immature and unstable souls.

Proverbs 14:22

Do they not err that devise evil? but mercy and truth shall be to them that devise good. (AV)

Do not those who plot evil go astray? But those who plan what is good find love and faithfulness. (NIV)

Sounds like two people are getting married and they are planning something good and hope to find love and faithfulness. Is this the case here? It is plainly stated that for those who devise good shall obtain mercy and truth because mercy and truth are the paths of the Lord (Psalm 25:10) that have met together (Psalm 85:10) and by them iniquity is purged (Proverbs 16:6) and they are not to be forsaken (Proverbs 3:3) because they may preserve him (Psalm 61:7). When will these pseudo scholars ever catch up with the truths revealed in the Authorized King James Bible!

Proverbs 16:6

By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil. (AV)

Through love and faithfulness sin is atoned for; through the fear of the LORD a man avoids evil. (NIV)

They got it wrong again. It is by mercy and truth iniquity is purged because mercy and truth have met each other in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ. Sin is never atoned no matter how loving and how faithful these “scholars” pretend to be “serving” the Lord. Let them make merchandise out of the Charismatic Christians who major in love and faithfulness without truth.

Proverbs 20:28

Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy. (AV)

Love and faithfulness keeps a king safe; through love his throne is made secure. (NIV)

Without mercy and truth, a king cannot be safe and his throne made secure based on love and faithfulness. Wrong kind of love and faithfulness for the wrong cause will lead the king and his throne to the dustbin of history as one of the fools who rejects mercy and truth.

Proverbs 22:21

*That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth;
that thou mightest answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee?*
(AV)

*[T]eaching you true and reliable words, so that you can give sound
answers to him who sent you?* (NIV)

Since they do not have the certainty of the words of truth, they are only left with reliable words. In fact they are very unreliable according to the standards of the Authorized King James Bible! These people have been producing reliable translations one after another without telling the readers which is the definitive Bible that is inspired, inerrant and infallible that the child of God can fully trust. Therefore, we do not expect them to be able to provide answers that are words of **truth** because they have no **truth** to begin with. They are only able to give sound answers according to fallen men's criteria and standards. How pathetic! Sound answers without truth are indeed extremely uncertain!

Malachi 2:6

The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did turn many away from iniquity. (AV)

True instruction was in his mouth and nothing false was found on his lips. He walked with me in peace and uprightness, and turned many from sin. (NIV)

“True instruction was in his mouth, and unrighteousness was not found on his lips; he walked with Me in peace and uprightness, and he turned many back from iniquity. (NASB)

This is really getting funnier! Are they running out of idea how to translate the Scriptures into modern English? What is “true instruction”? Are we getting true instruction on how to operate a computer? Are we reading the Holy Bible or just some instruction manuals? We thought we are reading the Scriptures, aren't we? What is wrong with the law of truth? Archaic words again? Inaccurate translation that God has blessed and used

for more than three hundred years before these “scholars” restore the “true instruction” for God’s people? Indeed we must be thankful that we are given the law of truth instead of true instruction with no basis of truth!

Isaiah 16:5

And in mercy shall the throne be established: and he shall sit upon it in truth in the tabernacle of David, judging, and seeking judgment, and hastening righteousness. (AV)

In love a throne will be established; in faithfulness a man will sit on it – one from the house of David – one who in judging seeks justice and speeds the cause of righteousness. (NIV)

A throne will even be established in lovingkindness, And a judge will sit on it in faithfulness in the tent of David; Moreover, he will seek justice And be prompt in righteousness. (NASB)

It will be a sad day when someone sits on a throne faithfully without **truth**. The translators here are sitting in a throne judging God’s words without truth. As such, they continue to promote their own cause and preserve their own standing by **faithfully** changing God’s **truth**. If the king does not sit on the throne in **truth**, then do not expect him to seek judgment and hasten righteousness no matter how faithfully he sits on that throne! It will not be possible. According to Proverbs 29:12, *If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants are wicked.* This ruler did not sit on the throne in truth though he may be sitting on it faithfully. If he were sitting in truth, he would not have listened to lies. Faithfulness is no match for truth!

Isaiah 25:1

O LORD, thou art my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful things; thy counsels of old are faithfulness and truth. (AV)

O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done marvelous things, things planned long ago. (NIV)

O LORD, Thou art my God; I will exalt Thee, I will give thanks to Thy name; For Thou hast worked wonders, Plans formed long ago, with perfect faithfulness. (NASB)

Truth has once again fallen to the ground for these “scholars.” God’s counsels of old are faithfulness and truth. Unlike the NIV and NASB, God’s counsels are not only faithfulness, God is not going to leave the readers guessing whether there is any truth in His counsels. What is so great about perfect faithfulness without truth? So these people are faithfully wrong! We can sense that these “scholars” have developed a full-blown Truth Phobic Syndrome.

Isaiah 26:2

Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in. (AV)

Open the gates that the righteous nation may enter, the nation that keep faith. (NIV)

“Open the gates, that the righteous nation may enter, The one that remains faithful. (NASB)

Sounds like someone trying to be a defender of faith instead of defender of The Faith! Too bad! Keeping faith alone will not be permitted to enter the pearly gates. Each may have his own faith to keep, which is not according to the **truth**. How can a nation be righteous without keeping the **truth**? Why cover up the way to become a righteous nation? It is those nations that keep the **truth** that will have the true faith and be permitted entrance into the gates of the city of spotless white! Keep the perversions out of the gates and consign them to the nearest rubbish dump!

Isaiah 38:3

And said, Remember now, O LORD, I beseech thee, how I have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept sore. (AV)

“Remember, O LORD, how I have walked before you faithfully and with wholehearted devotion and have done what is good in your eyes.” And Hezekiah wept bitterly. (NIV)

Walking “faithfully” and walking in “truth” are not the same. Many Charismatic are walking “faithfully” but blindly because they are not walking in **truth**. They are walking with “wholehearted devotion” but not with a **perfect heart**! See the difference? Unless you are deliberately blind to the truths revealed in the Authorized King James Bible.

Isaiah 42:3

A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth. (AV)

A bruised reed he will not break, and a smouldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice. (NIV)

“A bruised reed He will not break, And a dimly burning wick He will not extinguish; He will faithfully bring forth justice. (NASB)

Once again, it is dangerous to trust the NIV and NASB. Wrong judgment would not be surprising when it is not executed in **truth**. According to Habakkuk 1:4, ***Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth: for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore wrong judgment proceedeth.*** This will be the case for the NIV and NASB. Their law is slacked as they have changed the law of truth into true instruction in Malachi 2:6. Therefore wrong judgment continues to proceed from these people and each time when they translate, they choose a wrong word. They have a natural phobia for truth!

Isaiah 59:4

None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity. (AV)

No-one calls for justice; no-one pleads his case with integrity. They rely on empty arguments and speak lies; they conceive trouble and give birth to evil. (NIV)

No one sues righteously and no one pleads honestly. They trust in confusion, and speak lies; They conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity. (NASB)

Pleading with integrity and honestly may not be pleading for the truth at all! The NIV and the NASB are fighting each other for accuracy here. They cannot seem to agree what is the **best** translation because they are simply pleading with “integrity” and pleading “honestly.” Since when will they plead for the **truth**! From pleading the **truth**, they have changed it to how a person should be pleading whether he is pleading with integrity or pleading honestly. Once again, anything but the truth! We are badly in need of Bible believers pleading for **the truth** that God does preserve His inspired words in any languages He chooses to give. We do not need any fakers pretending to plead with “integrity” and “honestly” that God’s inspired words are only found in the original autographs or languages.

Isaiah 61:8

For I the LORD love judgment, I hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their work in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. (AV)

For I, the LORD, love justice; I hate robbery and iniquity. In my faithfulness I will reward them and make an everlasting covenant with them. (NIV)

For I, the LORD, love justice, I hate robbery in the burnt offering; And I will faithfully give them their recompense, And I will make an everlasting covenant with them. (NASB)

We do not expect them to leave this verse unchanged because it is said that God is directing the work of His people in truth. There is no doubt that these translators are not the people of God and hence their works are not being directed in truth but by an altogether different power and influence that will faithfully reward them for their infidelity. Let God be true and every man a liar, Amen!

Jeremiah 4:2

And thou shalt swear, The LORD liveth, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory. (AV)

[A]nd if in a truthful, just and righteous way you swear, ‘As surely as the LORD lives,’ then the nations will be blessed by him and in him they will glory.” (NIV)

When truth, judgment and righteousness are to be attributed to the Lord when the people swear, the “scholars” tell us to swear in a “truthful, just and righteous” way. These people always major on the minor and minor on the major. And of course, they missed the mark again. They cannot seem to be able to handle God’s truth whenever it shows up.

Jeremiah 9:3

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

They make ready their tongue like a bow, to shoot lies; it is not by truth that they triumph in the land. They go from one sin to another; they do not acknowledge me,” declares the LORD. (NIV)

“And they bend their tongue like their bow; Lies and not truth prevail in the land; For they proceed from evil to evil, And they do not know Me,” declares the LORD. (NASB)

How definitive is this verse that strikes into the very heart of these “scholars” when they trifle with God’s words! They are certainly not valiant for **truth** upon the earth otherwise why would they have to change this phrase? Like the Lord said, they do not know Him!

Jeremiah 33:6

Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth. (AV)

Nevertheless, I will bring health and healing to it; I will heal my people and will let them enjoy abundant peace and security. (NIV)

They do not want God to reveal to them the abundant of peace and **truth** but they want to enjoy the abundant of peace and **security**. False hope is the promise that these crowds are relying on. There will never be security without truth. Security cannot rest on false promises. Having rejected God's revelation of abundant **truth**, they are living in a false sense of security. So they continue to flee at the revelation of God's truth.

Daniel 2:47

The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth it is, that your God is a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldest reveal this secret. (AV)

The king said to Daniel, "Surely your God is the God of Gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries, for you were able to reveal this mystery." (NIV)

The king answered Daniel and said, "Surely your God is a God of gods and a Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries, since you have been able to reveal this mystery." (NASB)

The "scholars" are outraged again at the appearance of the word "truth" and it must be removed without any trace of the word that resembles the word "truth." Of course we can understand that they will usually panic when they see this word. Sufferers of Truth Phobic Syndrome are always paranoid at seeing this word. However, the truth of God cannot be suppressed and no matter what they do, this word will pop up at the right place and at the right time to strike fear in their hearts.

Daniel 4:37

Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase. (AV)

Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and exalt and glorify the King of heaven, because everything he does is right and all his ways are just. And those who walk in pride he is able to humble. (NIV)

What the Lord does is not only right but they are done in truth. There are many people doing what is right in their own eyes because they are not done in truth. These translators must be quite ignorant of the Scriptures, *In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes (Judges 21:25).*

Hosea 4:1

Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. (AV)

Hear the word of the LORD, you Israelites, because the LORD has a charge to bring against you who live in the land: There is no faithfulness, no love, no acknowledgment of God in the land. (NIV)

Listen to the word of the LORD, O sons of Israel, For the LORD has a case against the inhabitants of the land, Because there is no faithfulness or kindness Or knowledge of God in the land. (NASB)

The Lord is looking for truth. If the children of Israel have truth, faithfulness will naturally follow. What is the basis of faithfulness? As far as these “scholars” are concerned, faithfulness is the all in all and the end in itself. Any kind of faithfulness will do. Truth is not important. Are they saying that as long as anyone is faithful to his own religion of his choice, it will be acceptable in the sight of God? Indeed, these people do not have the knowledge of God; neither do they know how to “acknowledge” God in their translations. The controversy here is not that there is no faithfulness, no love or acknowledgement of God. In fact, they have too much faithfulness for false gods and too much love for the wrong objects of affection and too much acknowledgement of God with their lips but their hearts are far away from God. These “scholars” are obviously not diligent students of the Holy Bible.

Matthew 15:27

And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. (AV)

“Yes, Lord,” she said, “but even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” (NIV)

But she said, “Yes, Lord; but even the dogs feed on the crumbs which fall from their master’s table.” (NASB)

Truth Phobic Syndrome in action again! It is contagious and definitely fatal as far as faith in God’s written words is concerned. Truth is a frightening word for these people! While God’s people are busy declaring God’s truth faithfully, these “scholars” are up in arms denying God’s truth.

John 6:14

Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world. (AV)

After the people saw the miraculous sign that Jesus did, they began to say, “Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.” (NIV)

By now, we are already used to the symptom of these Truth Phobic Sufferers. So we do not expect the word “truth” to be left in tact here. But the **truth** of the Lord continues to march on and is proclaimed by Bible believing Christians who knows the **truth**.

John 7:40

Many of the people therefore, when they heard this saying, said, Of a truth this is the Prophet. (AV)

On hearing his words, some of the people said, “Surely this man is the Prophet.” (NIV)

Some of the multitude therefore, when they heard these words, were saying, “This certainly is the Prophet.” (NASB)

Truth Phobic Syndrome at work again! They certainly see no “truth”, hear no “truth” and do no “truth.” Truth is a very hard word to swallow!

Acts 4:27

For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together. (AV)

Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in the city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. (NIV)

These people have been infected with an incurable disease called Truth Phobic Syndrome. They cannot frame to pronounce or spell the word “truth” because there is no truth in these “trustworthy” men. They require special facility for quarantine purposes, lest this contagious disease is spread to Bible believing Christians. In truth, Jesus is God’s Holy Child and indeed these linguistic “experts” have no spiritual insight when they reduce the Lord Jesus Christ to be God’s holy servant because Christ is definitely more than just a servant!

Romans 3:7

For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie unto his glory; why yet am I also judged as a sinner? (AV)

Someone might argue, “If my falsehood enhances God’s truthfulness and so increases his glory, why am I still condemned as a sinner?” (NIV)

The truth of God or God’s truth is just too much for this people. It is simply too blunt and too direct. As such, it must be replaced with something that is less offensive like “God’s truthfulness” in this case. Are they trying to question God’s truthfulness? However, the truth of God does abound and it reaches unto the clouds and it endures to all generations. We do not need their truthfulness to enhance anything let alone God’s truth.

1 Corinthians 14:25

And thus are the secrets of his heart made manifest; and so falling down on his face he will worship God, and report that God is in you of a truth. (AV)

[A]nd the secrets of his heart will be laid bare. So he will fall down and worship God, exclaiming, "God is really among you!" (NIV)

[T]he secrets of his heart are disclosed; and so he will fall on his face and worship God, declaring that God is certainly among you. (NASB)

God is not just among you but also **in** you and this is the **truth!** They must have been ignorant of Colossians 1:27, *To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.* Truth Phobic Syndrome is really a frightening disease that blinds the heart and mind of these people regarding the truth. So is Christ in these people or just among them?

2 Corinthians 6:7

By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left. (AV)

[I]n truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left. (NIV)

Too bad! No word of truth again. Wrong channel to look for truth! How much truth do you believe will come from a truthful speech? Have these people not heard of doublespeak? Is the "word of truth" archaic and cannot be understood? Are the NIV translators ever truthful? So much for their so call "dynamic equivalent" in the method of translation. In practical term, it is equated to mean infidelity. Anyway, since when have they been valiant for truth?

Ephesians 6:14

Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness. (AV)

Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled round your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place. (NIV)

It would be more impressive and respectable to wear a branded belt such as “Valentino” or “Cartier” than to wear one provided by the NIV translators. When the apostle Paul tells the Christians to be girded with **truth**, these clowns changed it into a belt to be worn literally around the waist. These people have truth in name only! Satan must be laughing those to scorn for wearing only a belt with the brand name “truth.” Are these “scholars” just plain dumb or are they trying to annoy us?

Galatians 3:1

O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? (AV)

You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as crucified. (NIV)

YOU foolish Galatians, who has bewitched you, before whose eyes Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified? (NASB)

Where is the phrase “should not obey the truth”? Who have bewitched them to remove these words? Those who have been bewitched will not obey the word of truth. Likewise those who have been bewitched with the divine originals and original languages will remove the word of truth!

Philippians 1:18

What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence, or in truth, Christ is preached; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice. (AV)

But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice. Yes, and I will continue to rejoice. (NIV)

It is not just false motives or true motives that the apostle Paul is talking about here. It is preaching Christ in pretence or in truth in the defense of the gospel. Some are pretending to be defending the gospel while others are preaching Christ in **truth**.

1 Thessalonians 2:13

For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe. (AV)

And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is at work in you who believe. (NIV)

And for this reason we also constantly thank God that when you received from us the word of God's message, you accepted it not as the word of men, but for what it really is, the word of God, which also performs its work in you who believe. (NASB)

Why is it so difficult to state that the word of God they received is **in truth** the word of God? These translators have been beating about the bush and turning Bible perversion into a fine art! Well, we cannot expect much from people who are not valiant for truth, can we?

2 Peter 1:12

Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth. (AV)

So I will always remind you of these things, even though you know them and are firmly established in the truth you now have. (NIV)

Unfortunately, when the NIV says something about the truth, they cannot be forthright in telling the readers that this is the **present truth**. Their truth is only found in original autographs and original languages, which are **past truth** and as such, **present truth** is certainly not available.

So what is available is past truth hidden in the original autographs and original languages and they can only be accessed via the “scholars union” of infidels who try to fool people into thinking that they hold the keys to the truths. The truth that they “now have” are missing with so many words of truth, how then can one be established presently in the truth when they do not have the present truth?

We have seen these “experts” whose “integrity” is beyond reproach have taken extraordinary effort to remove and replace the word “truth” whenever they show up in the Holy Bible. Certainly the word “truth” is definitely not archaic and the very reason why these “scholars” have to remove it is because they have no truth in them. In fact, we can stop our discussion here and close our files on these people and conclude that there is absolutely nothing wrong with the Authorized King James Bible but we will examine a few more words to see how far these “scholars” will go to corrupt the pure words of the living God. Along the way, we will continue to expose their motives and their folly for messing with the truth of the words of God given by inspiration. We will conclude without a shadow of doubt that the Authorized King James Bible is not archaic or inaccurate, but this blessed book is the true words of the living God revealing truths from generation to generation for the English-speaking world. No other English books or bibles written by fallen men will be able to match this Book of books and King of books.

The purity of God's words is another defining issue. With all these modern translators who do not believe in the purity of the words of God, it is to be expected that whenever the words of the living God are said to be pure, they must be removed and replaced with something else that does not imply purity to the words of God.

In Proverbs 30:5, the child of God is told that, *Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.* So let us see what the NIV and the NASB have got to tell us on this verse.

Every word of God is flawless; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him (NIV). So these "scholars" say that the word of God is not pure but simply flawless. The word "flawless" has no connotation of purity at all. One can be flawlessly evil too! Who would want to take refuge in a flawless but impure asylum? As such, flawlessness is no guarantee for purity. If the word "flawless" is equal with the word "pure" why a more difficult is used to describe the word of God? Are not these people trying to make the word of God more readable and easily understood?

Every word of God is tested; He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him (NASB). They have tested God's words. No mention is made whether they are pure! We have no conclusion with regards to the word of God that has been tested? Can we trust this "tested" word of God? A student could have been tested on a given subject. That does not mean he has passed the examination! How to trust in something that is tested but not approved! Perhaps, they only believe some of God's words are pure and not every word of God is pure. But thanks be unto God, for God's words are indeed pure which require no testing and the words of the living God definitely surpass flawlessness according to fallen men's standards of judgment. Not Only God's words are pure; but **EVERY** word of God is **pure!**

Likewise, in Psalm 12:6 where we are told, *The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times,* and it must suffer violence in the hands of the modern translators of the English versions.

And the words of the LORD are flawless, like silver refined in a furnace of clay, purified seven times (NIV). Again, the NIV says the words of God are just flawless but not pure. However, this time the translators of

the NASB allow the words of God to be pure but the subsequent verse on the preservation of these pure words must be confused and made irrelevant.

According to the NASB, we are told that *The words of the LORD are pure words; As silver tried in a furnace on the earth, refined seven times. Thou, O LORD, wilt keep them; Thou wilt preserve him from this generation forever* (Psalm 12:6 & 7). It is interesting to note that they believe that God will keep “them” but preserve “him” from this generation. It is pass finding out to figure out who is this “him” in verse 7. Like a preacher used to say, “When a man messes with God’s words, God messes up his mind!” Of course, the translators of the NIV do not believe in the purity of God’s words, neither do they believe in the preservation of God’s pure words. As such Psalm 12:7 has been changed to preserving a person instead of God’s words.

The Psalmist tells us in Psalm 19:8 that, *The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.* Here is what the NIV has to say.

The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes (NIV). So the commandment of the Lord is not pure according to the NIV translators. They do not seem to know that all that glitters are not necessarily gold. A radiating commandment is not necessarily a pure commandment. The commandments of Satan are no doubt radiant because they are not pure. They have to be radiant in order to seduce and beguile unstable souls. Such radiating commandments from the Devil have blinded the hearts and minds of millions of people into believing that God will not preserve His pure words for every generation in whatever languages He chooses to give.

Therefore, their translations have become more and more ridiculous as in 2 Peter 3:1, *This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance.* According to the translators of the NIV and NASB, it is impossible for the children of God to have pure minds.

Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking (NIV). How to achieve wholesome thinking with minds that are not pure? The process of “wholesome thinking” will be made difficult with the use of difficult words

such as “stimulate” instead of the word “stir.” Are we to believe that the translators of the NIV are supposed to make the English Bible easier to understand and easier to read?

This is now, beloved, the second letter I am writing to you in which I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder (NASB). Not surprising that the pure mind of a child of God is difficult to believe. If the translators have a pure mind to begin with, they would not have messed around with the pure words of the living God. Again, sincerity does not imply purity. One can be sincerely wrong. The translators may be sincere in wanting to give the readers a Bible that is easier to read and understand but they are sincerely wrong.

Likewise, we find in 1 Timothy 3:9 that, *Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience*, a pure conscience is changed to a clear conscience in the NIV and NASB. These “scholars” must not have been doing “field” work for the Lord in the spiritual war. Have they come across disobedient Christians who will sin against God by rationalizing and justifying their sins and still continue to sin willfully with a clear conscience? Have they come across Christians who have no qualms in drinking wine and getting drunk when they have read and have been warned in the Scriptures that, *Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise* (Proverbs 20:1) and they can still come to the house of God and to pray and worship with a **clear conscience**? Telling half-truths can also produce a clear conscience like in the case of Abraham when he lied about his wife Sarah being his sister not once but twice. However, such product is definitely not the fruit of a pure conscience. How beautiful and clear is the archaic and unreadable English from the Authorized King James Bible, which the modern translators can never hope to comprehend!

As such, they also have to remove the pure conscience the apostle Paul spoke of in 2 Timothy 1:3, *I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day*, and replace it with a clear conscience. A river that is clear is not necessarily pure. A glass of water may be clear but it may not be pure enough for human consumption. A statement that is clear does not mean that the words used are pure. A modern English translation of the Bible may appear to be clear but not necessarily pure. Need we go any further to point out the deficiency of the

scholarship of these pseudo scholars? Of course, they are corrupting the words of the living God with a “clear” conscience but not out of a “pure” conscience. They sure can find some alibi to justify their dirty works.

With regards to the purity of languages, these translators will not believe in a preserved inspired, inerrant and infallible Bible in the English language. Otherwise, we will not have to expose the falsehoods and motives of these “scholars” who produce these modern English versions and their proliferation have resulted in the increase in the ignorance of the pure doctrines of the most holy faith for the believers in Christ. They swear by the inspired originals in the original languages, yet they produce a “holy Bible” that is anything but pure. According to Zephaniah 3:9, we are told, ***For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.*** Are we to expect that these “scholars” will believe that God can give a pure language to His people? Let us see what they have to say.

Then will I purify the lips of the peoples, that all of them may call on the name of the LORD and serve him shoulder to shoulder (NIV).

For then I will give to the peoples purified lips, That all of them may call on the name of the LORD, To serve Him shoulder to shoulder (NASB).

No pure language from these “scholars” but they think they are given “pure” lips to produce a Bible with no pure words from the living God with a clear conscience or perhaps, a seared conscience! Once again, we are asking too much from these folks to believe in a pure language. As far as they are concerned, the only languages that are pure are perhaps only found in Greek and Hebrew. So we have multitudes and multitudes of preachers these days who will tell their congregation that a better rendering in the Hebrew means such and such and a better translation from the Greek Text actually says this and that. They are supposed to be telling their people these “truths” with pure lips and they can all defer in the actual meanings from the same Greek or Hebrew word but their differences are all regarded as speaking the truth in love. They are embracing one another’s scholarship and holding one another in high esteem. They are one big happy family with pure lips but no pure words from Almighty God.

Of course, nothing can be further from the truth! One day in future, God will once again restore all things and all men will be given a **pure** language to call upon the name of the Lord and to serve him with one consent. Can you imagine how ridiculous it would be in heaven, when the saints still cannot understand one another's languages and some are praising God in Hebrew, some in Greek, some in Chinese, some in Spanish and others in as many languages as you can think of and turn heaven into a second Babel! God forbid! Perhaps, this is what the Charismatic churches have envisaged will happen in heaven! They have brought Babel into their churches with their "speaking in tongues" and heaven must be a wonderful place for them to demonstrate their "spirituality" and impress one another with their "gifts." The reason why we are having so many different languages is because of rebellion of fallen men. When men were originally in one language and one speech, they united together in defiance against God's commandments and sought to build a tower to reach unto heaven. In the future when the rebels are forever banished, one language and one speech will be restored again to its former glory for the purpose of praising and serving God in purity and in truth!

It is indeed getting funnier as we proceed to examine their supposedly more accurate, easier to understand and read English versions. In 1 Peter 1:22, the apostle Peter exhorted the Christians, *Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently.* Christians are told to love one another with a **PURE** heart. Let us consider the alternatives from these "scholars."

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from your heart (NIV). One can love others deeply without ever been fervently especially when the love is expressed only in words and not in deeds. However, fervent love is active and demonstrative. On the other hand, "deep" love can be passive and love out of admiration. Deep love needs not be the product out of a **pure** heart. The "scholars" here cannot claim they have a **pure** heart! Their works are impure to begin with and to expect them to have **pure** hearts are simply being naïve to say the least!

Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart (NASB). Of course, love must be expressed from the heart and not from the

lungs or the kidneys! But love from what kind of heart? Loving one another fervently does not imply that the love is pure. Hollywood producers, actors and actresses are experts in love of such nature. Are the NIV and NASB meant to capture the market from these crowds? What happen to the pure heart? Do the translators of these modern day translations possess one? Interesting isn't it? But then again we should not expect much purity from them. If they truly love one another with a **PURE** heart, they will not be involved in such a devilish plot to corrupt the words of the living God. So what do we expect when we reach Psalm 119:140, *Thy word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it?* Let us see what the NIV has to say.

Your promises have been thoroughly tested, and your servant loves them (NIV). Yes, the promises of Satan have been thoroughly tested to doom men in perdition and his servants who love them shall be cast into hell fire! Anything but the truth! The enmity of the translators of the NIV against the Authorized Version is indeed unbelievable. Interestingly, this time the translators of the NASB allow the word of God to be very pure. It appears that whenever the words of God are ascribed to be **pure**, the "scholars" panic and scramble to replace them immediately. They cannot stand the **pure** words of the living God that stare them right in the eyes. They are indeed found wanting! They have to run from the **pure** words of Almighty God. Along the way, they have lost a pure heart and left only with a clear conscience without being pure. Nonetheless, in spite of all the violence done to the words of the living God by these pseudo scholars, the words of God are not only thoroughly tested but are proven to be **VERY PURE!** Therefore, the child of God can trust in God's inspired word and love and esteem the word of God more than his necessary food.

Having seen the attitude of these “scholars” towards the words of the living God given by inspiration, it would be of interest to find out what they feel about the word “precious” in the Holy Bible. Of course, we do not expect very much from these people because if the words of God were precious to them, they would not have messed around with them and treated the Bible like any other book written by men. In any case, expect to have a good laugh at their clumsy and clownish efforts in trying to give the English-speaking world an English Bible that is most accurate and updated where the common men can identify with. Nonetheless, we know that these people always underestimate the intelligence of Bible believing Christians filled with the Holy Spirit of God who will never have any problem understanding the Holy Bible under the guidance of the Holy Spirit of God.

Genesis 24:53

And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave them to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things. (AV)

Then the servant brought out gold and silver jewellery and articles of clothing and gave them to Rebekah; he also gave costly gifts to her brother and to her mother. (NIV)

The “scholars” start off very early in the Bible to tell us that the gifts Abraham’s servant gave to the family members of Rebekah are just costly but not precious. Can they prove that the word “precious” is a difficult word that the modern English readers cannot understand? Don’t they know that things that are costly are not necessarily precious?

Deuteronomy 33:14-16

And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon, And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the lasting hills, And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and for the good will of him that dwelt in the bush: let the blessing come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the head of him that was separated from his brethren. (AV)

[W]ith the best the sun brings forth and the finest the moon can yield; with the choicest gifts of the ancient mountains and the fruitfulness of the everlasting hills; with the best gifts of the earth and its fullness and the favour of him who dwelt in the burning bush. Let all these rest on the head of Joseph, on the brow of the prince among his brothers. (NIV)

And with the choice yield of the sun, And with the choice produce of the months. "And with the best things of the ancient mountains, And with the choice things of the everlasting hills, And with the choice things of the earth and its fullness, And the favor of Him who dwelt in the bush. Let it come to the head of Joseph, And to the crown of the head of the one distinguished among his brothers. (NASB)

The word "precious" must be misleading according to the "scholars" but do these people read the Bible at all! Let us see what the hills can bring forth.

*For the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills; A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and honey; A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any thing in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass (Deuteronomy 8:7-9). Are not the produce of the valleys and hills that sustains men's lives precious? What about Joel 3:18, *And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth of the house of the LORD, and shall water the valley of Shittim?* According to Proverbs 12:27, *The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting; but the substance of a diligent man is precious*, even food source is considered precious. Perhaps, these "scholars" are having fullness of bread and abundance of idleness and they cannot figure out that precious things need not be jewelleries and stones. The translators of the NASB might be thinking that the word "moon" is a spelling mistake and so they changed it to "months" instead. Well, again this is typical of their "scholarship" and no comment is really necessary. The translators of the NIV have a curious preference for choicest and best gifts instead of precious things. Perhaps they think that they are really "gifted" people capable of giving the modern readers an English Bible that is easy to read and understand. However, could Proverbs 25:14, *Whoso**

boasteth himself of a false gift is like clouds and wind without rain, be applied them?

1 Samuel 3:1

And the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; there was no open vision. (AV)

The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions. (NIV)

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD before Eli. And word from the LORD was rare in those days, visions were infrequent. (NASB)

That is right. The “scholars” have finally conceded that the words of the living God are rare as far as they are concerned. There is no final authority on the words of God and they are definitely not precious even if they can find those very rare words of God from the “divine originals.” Don’t these people know that things that are rare are not always precious? So are the words of God just rare or are they precious? If the words of God were precious, these people would not have adulterated the pure words of the living God. With the rampant pilferages of the pure and inspired words of the living God by Bible thieves, the words of God are no doubt very precious to those who believe in a great God who can preserve the Holy Bible for them in spite of the constant attacks by these Bible critics.

2 Kings 1:13 & 14

And he sent again a captain of the third fifty with his fifty. And the third captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees before Elijah, and besought him, and said unto him, O man of God, I pray thee, let my life, and the life of these fifty thy servants, be precious in thy sight. Behold, there came fire down from heaven, and burnt up the two captains of the former fifties with their fifties: therefore let my life now be precious in thy sight. (AV)

So the king sent a third captain with his fifty men. This third captain went up and fell on his knees before Elijah. “Man of God,” he begged,

“please have respect for my life and the lives of these fifty men, your servants! See, fire has fallen from heaven and consumed the first two captains and all their men. But now have respect for my life!” (NIV)

The translators here must be kidding. Elijah must have laughed himself to tears! When you are about to get killed, do you beg your adversary to have respect for your life? Where did these people get their training? Are they writing this verse from a mental asylum? This would be the best comic strip you will ever read! We will never fail to be entertained by this people apparently are graduates from the university of jokers. Perhaps they major in Jokes and minor in English during their seminary days whose institutions are famous for producing clowns. The translators of the NASB are smart enough this time to avoid such tragic and irredeemable embarrassment of crisis proportion. There is really no need to comment any further on this lest we laugh ourselves to death.

2 Kings 20:13

And Hezekiah hearkened unto them, and showed them all the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and all the house of his armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah showed them not. (AV)

Hezekiah received the messengers and showed them all that was in his storehouses – the silver, the gold, the spices and the fine oil – his armoury and everything found among his treasures. There was nothing in his palace or in all his kingdom that Hezekiah did not show them. (NIV)

Isaiah 39:2

And Hezekiah was glad of them, and showed them the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and all the house of his armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah showed them not. (AV)

Hezekiah received the envoys gladly and showed them what was in his storehouses –the silver, the gold, the spices, the fine oil, his entire

armoury and everything found among his treasures. There was nothing in his palace or in all his kingdom that Hezekiah did not show them. (NIV)

Evidently, the “scholars” do not consider the possession of king Hezekiah precious. Have they ever heard of such a thing called “sentimental value”?

1 Chronicles 29:2

Now I have prepared with all my might for the house of my God the gold for things to be made of gold, and the silver for things of silver, and the brass for things of brass, the iron for things of iron, and wood for things of wood; onyx stones, and stones to be set, glistening stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance. (AV)

With all my resources I have provided for the temple of my God – gold for the gold work, silver for the silver work, bronze for the bronze, iron for the iron and wood for the wood, as well as onyx for the settings, turquoise, stones of various colours, and all kinds of fine stones and marble – all of these in large quantities. (NIV)

They think that the temple of God can only be made from “fine stones” and not “precious stones.” Perhaps they have not reached the book of Revelation in their “Bible Study” to know that the city where the Lamb, who is the temple, resides is made of precious stones.

2 Chronicles 20:25

And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much. (AV)

So Jehoshaphat and his men went to carry off their plunder, and they found among them a great amount of equipment and clothing and also articles of value – more than they could take away. There was so much plunder that it took three days to collect it. (NIV)

And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take their spoil, they found much among them, including goods, garments, and valuable things which they took for themselves, more than they could carry. And they were three days taking the spoil because there was so much. (NASB)

Again we notice that infidelity is the trademark of these “scholars” who do not believe that the enemies of Israel left behind their personal possession included precious jewels. They only found equipment and clothing. How pathetic! No wonder they cannot find much spiritual truth from the Holy Bible!

2 Chronicles 21:3

And their father gave them great gifts of silver, and of gold, and of precious things, with fenced cities in Judah: but the kingdom gave he to Jehoram; because he was the firstborn. (AV)

Their father had given them many gifts of silver and gold and articles of value, as well as fortified cities in Judah, but he had given the kingdom to Jehoram because he was his firstborn son. (NIV)

This must be quite a stingy king who only gave his sons articles of value and not precious things. Perhaps, this reflects the characters of the people here as they seek to give the English readers a Bible of value instead of a Holy Bible that is precious. It makes one wonder whether these people have anything precious for their own children.

Ezra 1:6

And all they that were about them strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, beside all that was willingly offered. (AV)

All their neighbours assisted them with articles of silver and gold, with goods and livestock, and with valuable gifts, in addition to all the freewill offerings. (NIV)

And all those about them encouraged them with articles of silver, with gold, with goods, with cattle, and with valuables, aside from all that was given as a freewill offering. (NASB)

They have a penchant for “valuable gifts” and “valuables” but not the things that are precious. “Precious things” do not meet the very exacting standards of these “scholars” and hence they must be replaced because to use such simple words is really an embarrassment to the scholarly community.

Job 28:10

He cutteth out rivers among the rocks; and his eye seeth every precious thing. (AV)

He tunnels through the rock; his eyes see all its treasures. (NIV)

They must be reading too much fairy tales looking for lost treasures. Unprocessed raw materials are also precious things. Perhaps the “scholars” saw polished gemstones and jewelleries in treasure chests like those we read in Ali Baba and The Forty Thieves.

Psalm 49:8

(For the redemption of their soul is precious, and it ceaseth for ever:) (AV)

[T]he ransom for a life is costly, no payment is ever enough – (NIV)

For the redemption of his soul is costly, And he should cease trying forever – (NASB)

This is indeed a costly mistake to “save” such “scholars” who do not regard the redemption of their souls to be precious. How ungrateful can these people be? Is redemption just costly or precious? Is the atoning sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ for lost sinners deserving hell fire just costly or precious? Are they guilty of the charges in Hebrews 10:29, *Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?*

Psalm 126:6

He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him. (AV)

He goes out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying his sheaves with him. (NIV)

He who goes to and fro weeping, carrying his bag of seed, Shall indeed come again with a shout of joy, bringing his sheaves with him. (NASB)

So we are told that the seed is not precious here. Soul winners trying to reach the lost and dying world by sowing the gospel seed often use this reference and to them this seed is **very precious**. Maybe, these “scholars” are not souls winners but armchair critics of the words of the living God and therefore the word “precious” must be dropped like a plague because this bothers their conscience. No wonder a “pure” conscience must be changed to a “clear” conscience in 1 Timothy 3:9.

Proverbs 1:13

We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil: (AV)

[W]e will get all sorts of valuable things and fill our houses with plunder; (NIV)

The “scholars” think that plunderers are only interested in valuable things and not precious substance. Certainly, plunderers have more common sense than these people who cannot tell the difference between precious things and valuable things.

Proverbs 6:26

For by means of a whorish woman a man is brought to a piece of bread: and the adulteress will hunt for the precious life. (AV)

[F]or the prostitute reduces you to a loaf of bread, and the adulteress preys upon your very life. (NIV)

Perhaps, the “scholars” do not think that their lives are precious and that is why the seed in Psalm 126:6 is not precious and the redemption of a soul is not precious but costly according to their most reliable version in Psalm 49:8. Given such interpretation of the Scriptures by these “scholars,” do you think these people will win souls?

Proverbs 12:27

The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious. (AV)

The lazy man does not roast his game, but the diligent man prizes his possessions. (NIV)

A slothful man does not roast his prey, But the precious possession of a man is diligence. (NASB)

One wonders how precious are the prizes of the translators of the NIV? What is wrong with the word “precious”? Is it an obscene word? Why are they so fearful of this word? This time the translators of the NASB are making a fool out of themselves. In their haste to be different from the Authorized Version for market positioning, they make such a ridiculous statement that even a PhD in English cannot figure out what it means by the clause “the precious possession of a man is diligence.” Can “precious possession” ever be “diligent”? What are they trying to say? Are they trying to tell us that a man’s precious possession is diligence? It is truly pass finding out! They should produce a Bible that the common men understand with phrases such as going from bananas to bonkers! Why coin something that the modern readers cannot understand?

Proverbs 17:8

A gift is as a precious stone in the eyes of him that hath it: whithersoever it turneth, it prospereth. (AV)

A bribe is a charm to the one who gives it; wherever he turns, he succeeds. (NIV)

A bribe is a charm in the sight of its owner; Wherever he turns, he prospers. (NASB)

They turn the gift into a charm and the precious stone vanishes out of sight. They must have been schooled by the circus to entertain the English readers with their jokes. Anyone is qualified to write a Bible as long as they differ from the Authorized King James Bible. This is what marketing expert call product differentiation and they use this method to capture a certain niche market. The “scholars” have certainly done well and they are “prospering” and “succeeding” as far as making merchandise of the word of God is concerned. Let us leave the circus for a moment and consider some spiritual truths from the Authorized King James Bible.

The “gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord” is as a precious stone in the eyes of him that have it because according to 1 Peter 2:6, Jesus Christ is the chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded. Of course, the scholars always miss this living stone and it turn out to be a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient (1 Peter 2:8). So those who have this precious gift of eternal life are made prosperous by this gift and they will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Proverbs 20:15

There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge are a precious jewel. (AV)

Gold there is, and rubies in abundance, but lips that speak knowledge are a rare jewel. (NIV)

There is gold, and an abundance of jewels; But the lips of knowledge are a more precious thing. (NASB)

Which is better, a rare jewel or precious thing? Can they prove that a precious jewel is a wrong translation? Well, having seen enough of their nonsense, we know how we should treat the NIV and NASB. We should categorize them as comics instead of Holy Bible.

Proverbs 24:4

And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches. (AV)

[T]hrough knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures. (NIV)

Once again, if you change the words of the Authorized King James Bible, you can copyright it and make some money out of it. Don't you think that there are better ways to make a living than doing such God dishonoring work?

Ecclesiastes 7:1

A good name is better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of one's birth. (AV)

A good name is better than fine perfume, and the day of death better than the day of birth. (NIV)

A GOOD name is better than a good ointment, And the day of one's death is better than the day of one's birth. (NASB)

Some prefer fine perfume while others like good ointment. We can always use some precious ointment to get God's anointing for the service of the great King. We should leave the "scholars" to use their own "charms" to impress their own crowd. Charm is a worthless word for a Bible believing Christian, as we have no intention to seduce anyone with charm. Anyway, the translators of the Authorized King James Bible have never used this word.

Isaiah 13:12

I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir. (AV)

I will make a man scarcer than pure gold, more rare than the gold of Ophir. (NIV)

I will make mortal man scarcer than pure gold, And mankind than the gold of Ophir. (NASB)

It is getting scarier when the "scholars" are venturing into human production trying to produce "scarcer" man. Are they trying to produce a

six million dollar man owned by the federal government of some country? Maybe they are trying to depopulate the world! Since we believe life is precious and therefore, a man can be more precious than fine gold contrary to what the “scholars” think.

Jeremiah 15:19

Therefore thus saith the LORD, If thou return, then will I bring thee again, and thou shalt stand before me: and if thou take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as my mouth: let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them. (AV)

Therefore this is what the LORD says: “If you repent, I will restore you that you may serve me; if you utter worthy, not worthless, words, you will be my spokesman. Let this people turn to you, but you must not turn to them. (NIV)

These “scholars” have been uttering worthless words for so long and yet they still think that they are the appointed spokesmen of the Lord. This time, the translators of the NASB did not join them completely for an excursion into the children’s cartoon network. They are living in their own dream world and we will leave them alone. We will let them continue to worry about their “worthy” and “worthless” words. As always, we know how much value to place on their worthy and worthless words. For those who believe that God is able to preserve His pure and inspired words in any languages will know that the words of God are indeed precious.

Jeremiah 20:5

Moreover I will deliver all the strength of this city, and all the labours thereof, and all the precious things thereof, and all the treasures of the kings of Judah will I give into the hand of their enemies, which shall spoil them, and take them, and carry them to Babylon. (AV)

I will hand over to their enemies all the wealth of this city – all its products, all its valuables and all the treasures of the kings of Judah. They will take it away as plunder and carry it off to Babylon. (NIV)

‘I shall also give over all the wealth of this city, all its produce, and all its costly things; even all the treasures of the kings of Judah I shall give

over to the hand of their enemies, and they will plunder them, take them away, and bring them to Babylon. (NASB)

The “scholars” cannot find anything precious in the city. Well, what do you expect when life is not precious and so things must not be precious as well. At most they are only valuable and costly. Maybe, they have a deprived childhood and are never acquainted with anything precious. We know some parents do not spend **precious** time with their children because time can be very **expensive**, **costly** and **valuable** if you understand what is internal rate of returns on compound interest.

Ezekiel 27:20

Dedan was thy merchant in precious clothes for chariots. (AV)

“Dedan traded in saddle blankets with you. (NIV)

“Dedan traded with you in saddlecloths for riding. (NASB)

The translators of the NIV also change “The men of Dedan” in verse 15 to “The men of Rhodes.” The “scholars” do not seem to believe that people rode on chariots in those days. One says it should be saddle blankets and another says it should be saddlecloths. We will let them argue which is right while we stick to precious clothes given by inspiration of God.

Daniel 11:8

And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, and with their precious vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall continue more years than the king of the north. (AV)

He will also seize their gods, their metal images and their valuable articles of silver and gold and carry them off to Egypt. For some years he will leave the king of the North alone. (NIV)

No precious vessels are found in Egypt. They found only valuable articles but we should regard such findings as worthless words.

Matthew 26:7

There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat at meat. (AV)

[A] woman came to him with an alabaster jar of a very expensive perfume, which she poured on his head as he was reclining at the table. (NIV)

[A] woman came to Him with an alabaster vial of very costly perfume, and she poured it upon His head as He reclined at table. (NASB)

Mark 14:3

And being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head. (AV)

While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of a man known as Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head. (NIV)

And while He was in Bethany at the home of Simon the leper, and reclining at table, there came a woman with an alabaster vial of costly perfume of pure nard; and she broke the vial and poured it over His head. (NASB)

The “scholars” have exhibited special interest in things that are costly or expensive but not in things that are precious. The poor widow’s two mites were precious to her because they were all that she had and she gave it to the Lord. The ointment was precious to this woman because she had kept it for the Lord and she never had any intention to sell it. Expensive and costly are out of the question. The ointment is not for sale! When will the “scholars” ever learn?

1 Corinthians 3:12

Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; (AV)

If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, (NIV)

All the time they translate “precious stones” in almost every instance but for the work for the Lord Jesus Christ, it is only “costly stones.” You reckon these men have anything precious to bring to the Lord of all the earth! Their sudden change here is rather strange as they have translated the same word into “precious” in Revelation 17:4, 18:12 & 16, 21:11 & 19 when they are describing stones or jewels. Why the sudden departure here? Perhaps, this is an indication of their heart condition as far as their “work” for the Lord Jesus Christ is concerned. Their work to be revealed by fire is only costly stones and not precious stones. They have nothing precious to speak about and they will be rewarded according to their work.

James 5:7

Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. (AV)

Be patient, then, brothers, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains. (NIV)

If these people are the farmers, maybe they will look upon the fruit of the earth as valuable crop because they only have profit in mind. But for a farmer who trusts in the Lord for daily provisions, the fruit of the earth is indeed precious because he is feeding his family with this fruit. Even the Lord Jesus Christ did not allow the left over bread to be thrown away after feeding five thousand men and four thousand men in Matthew 14 & 15 because they are precious. He collected twelve baskets and seven baskets full of fragments respectively. Even the crumbs that fell from the master's table for dogs were precious to Lazarus in Luke 16 as well as for the Syrophenician woman whose daughter was vexed with a devil in Matthew 15. The “scholars” have never been in want and as such, they cannot identify themselves with the common men let alone produce a Bible that is useful for them.

1 Peter 1:7

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: (AV)

These have come so that your faith – of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire – may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. (NIV)

These “scholars” have a natural fear or hatred in using the word precious and to them the word “precious” can only be associated with stones and jewels most of the time except when it has got to do with the foundation for the Lord’s work in 1 Corinthians 3. Is it not easier and clearer with *“more precious than of gold”* than *“of greater worth than gold”*? Why is there such clumsy attempt? They are running out of ideas how to make the Bible more readable and easily understood when the common men actually have no trouble with the Authorized King James Bible to begin with!

Revelation 18:12

The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble, (AV)

[C]argoes of gold, silver, precious stones and pearls; fine linen, purple, silk and scarlet cloth; every sort of citron wood, and articles of every kind made of ivory, costly wood, bronze, iron and marble; (NIV)

[C]argoes of gold and silver and precious stones and pearls and fine linen and purple and silk and scarlet, and every kind of citron wood and every article of ivory and every article made from very costly wood and bronze and iron and marble, (NASB)

The “scholars” do not think that wood can ever be precious so they think it is better to change it to “costly” wood. But we are told that these vessels here are not only made from “precious wood” but “most precious wood” and so we better take heed not to underestimate the wood here. The

“scholars” should get out of their office once in a while and ask some common men whether there is such a thing call precious wood. They will not be disappointed. They might even be able to find some precious wood at a flea market! Common sense is rather uncommon these days!

Are the pure words of the living God precious or are they just rare? If you believe that the inspired words of God are only found in the original autographs or original languages, then the words of the living God are indeed very rare but not necessarily precious because the common men would not have access to such writings. Maybe once in a while, the common men might visit the museum to take a look at certain collections but they cannot even tell whether they are genuine or fake manuscripts on display. What is the use of just being “rare” or “costly”? Of what use is it to the child of God? But we know that the words of the living God are precious because they are given by inspiration of God in any languages God chooses to give and most importantly, they are preserved and are available in our hands and we can always put our trust in this Holy Bible that we have.

When the “scholars” are convinced that truth in the Holy Bible must be changed to faithfulness and purity must be replaced with something that are not exactly pure such as something that are flawless, tested, clear and so on, it is time to examine what these people think about hell in the Bible. As usual, we are not optimistic that they have any spiritual insight in this very important issue in which the blessed Son of God came to die on the cross of Calvary for sinners that they might be delivered from this terrible place prepared for the devil and his angels.

Deuteronomy 32:22

For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains. (AV)

For a fire has been kindled by my wrath, one that burns to the realm of death below. It will devour the earth and its harvests and set on fire the foundations of the mountains. (NIV)

For a fire is kindled in My anger, And burns to the lowest part of Sheol, And consumes the earth with its yield, And sets on fire the foundations of the mountains. (NASB)

Here the NIV translators think that the lowest place of burning is “the realm of death.” As to what this phrase mean, nobody knows for sure. Do they mean God is no longer angry when a sinner dies? Are they just trying to make it sound poetic about God’s wrath? However, the NASB shows that the burning extends to a place which the translators refused to translate into English. All the while the people believe that these modern Bible translators are trying to make the archaic Authorized King James Bible more readable and easier to understand but when they are given an opportunity, they balk at the task at hand for whatever reason best known to them.

2 Samuel 22:6

The sorrows of hell compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me; (AV)

The cords of the grave coiled around me; the snares of death confronted me. (NIV)

The cords of Sheol surrounded me; The snares of death confronted me. (NASB)

Psalm 18:5

The sorrows of hell compassed me about: the snares of death prevented me. (AV)

The cords of the grave coiled around me; the snares of death confronted me. (NIV)

The cords of Sheol surrounded me; The snares of death confronted me. (NASB)

Is it cords or sorrows? Is the word “sorrows” inaccurate or is it difficult to understand? Then why do we have “grave” and “Sheol” instead of “hell”? Which one is more accurate? What is the meaning of “cords of the grave”? Does “cords of the grave coiled around me” sound right even in the poetic sense? We have encountered such inconsistencies before. As such, we will throw out such usual nonsense from the NIV and NASB!

Job 11:8

It is as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know? (AV)

They are higher than the heavens – what can you do? They are deeper than the depths of the grave – what can you know? (NIV)

“It is high as heavens, what can you do? Deeper than Sheol, what can you know? (NASB)

How deep can the grave be? Where is Sheol? Is it just the grave? Comparing the height of heaven with the depth of the grave would be ridiculous because there is a place much deeper than the grave. And this place is hell, which the NASB translators dared not translate!

Job 26:6

Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering. (AV)

Death is naked before God; Destruction lies uncovered. (NIV)

“Naked is Sheol before Him And Abbadon has no covering. (NASB)

Is it true that only death is naked before God? All that God can see is death! This is definitely not true. Did the translators fail to consult the passage in Luke 16:19-31?

There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

The Lord Jesus Christ saw what was going on in hell and He described the terrible situation to the people. So is hell naked before God or just the grave is naked before God? As usual the translators of the NASB cannot translate Sheol and Abbadon into English. Perhaps, they are really defective in their command of the languages.

Psalm 9:17

The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God. (AV)

The wicked return to the grave, all the nations that forget God. (NIV)

The wicked return to Sheol, Even all the nations who forget God. (NASB)

Did the wicked come from the grave? The NIV suggested that the wicked came from the grave and they were returning to the grave! Do they believe in reincarnation? There are so many graveyards all over the world; do the wicked have their individual grave? Do they know which grave to go back to? So what do the wicked do when they reach the grave? Do they just sleep there forever? But the Bible shows that the wicked do not just go to the grave whose body will rot there. They go to a far more frightening place called hell and they will burn there for a very long time till they are judged at the Great White Throne and eventually they will be cast into the lake of fire. We should never take the NIV seriously in any matter, especially on the doctrine of a literal hell prepared for the devil and his angels.

Psalm 16:10

For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. (AV)

[B]ecause you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay. (NIV)

For thou wilt not abandon my soul to Sheol; Neither wilt Thou allow Thy Holy One to sea the pit. (NASB)

This time the word “soul” is removed and replaced with “me” in the NIV. As usual, we note the defective scholarship of these “scholars” for they cannot distinguish between the body and the soul. Only the body goes to the grave and the soul does not. Unless, these people is crazy enough to suggest that the rich man in Luke 16:19-31 was crying out in the grave for a drop of water to quench his tongue!

Psalm 55:15

Let death seize upon them, and let them go down quick into hell: for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them. (AV)

Let death take my enemies by surprise; let them go down alive to the grave, for evil finds lodging among them. (NIV)

Let death come deceitfully upon them; Let them go down alive to Sheol, For evil is in their midst. (NASB)

What happens after the grave? The body will not remain in the grave forever. There is a place more permanent than the grave and this place is called hell which the translators of the NIV and NASB refuse to believe and acknowledge.

Psalm 86:13

For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest hell. (AV)

For great is your love towards me; you have delivered me from the depths of the grave. (NIV)

For Thy lovingkindness toward me is great, And Thou hast delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol. (NASB)

How deep can the grave be? Of course, the “scholars” again miss a much deeper place called hell. They might be deliberately blinding themselves from this unpalatable fact that sinners will one day burn forever in hell fire.

Psalm 116:3

The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me: I found trouble and sorrow. (AV)

The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came upon me; I was overcome by trouble and sorrow. (NIV)

The cords of death encompassed me, And the terrors of Sheol came upon me; I found distress and sorrow. (NASB)

We notice that the “scholars” do not like the word “sorrows” and they prefer the word “cords” in their translation. They do not seem to understand that a sinner can be overwhelmed with sorrows and in this case death is also very sorrowful that will compass a sinner during moments of despair. They do not seem to believe that death is sorrowful and “cords of death” do not bring out the true picture of the anguish of the soul wallowing in the wrath of an angry God. Like their previous translations in 2 Samuel 22:6 and Psalm 18:5 on “the cords of the grave” and “the cords of Sheol,” they are simply inaccurate description of the tormented soul. The NIV is making a vain attempt to describe such torment but how much pain can the grave exact from the body when it is already dead? “Anguish of the grave” is nothing compared with “the pains of hell” when a sinner is punished beyond the death of the physical mortal body. We never expected them to be able to match the scholarship of the Authorized King James Bible though!

Psalm 139:8

If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. (AV)

If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. (NIV)

If I ascend to heaven, Thou art there; If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, Thou art there. (NASB)

Once again, the translators of the NIV seek to miniaturize God. They do not think that God can see beyond the “bed in the depths” and as to what this phrase mean, perhaps it would take someone with a PhD in infidelity to figure out! Do you still think they are trying to make the English Bible more readable? Maybe, they cannot seem to believe God can see all that happens in hell. They do not understand that even if God’s Spirit is present in hell, God’s is not affected or polluted in anyway just like the light that penetrates the darkness lightening up the surrounding without being corrupted by darkness at all.

Proverbs 5:5

Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell. (AV)

Her feet go down to death; her steps lead straight to the grave. (NIV)

Her feet go down to death, Her steps lay hold of Sheol. (NASB)

Is the grave the only punishment for the wicked? The NASB's inability to make "clear" the word "Sheol" is rather appalling. The translators of the NIV are suffering from Acute Hell Phobic Syndrome. This is an incurable disease.

Proverbs 7:27

Her house is the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death. (AV)

Her house is the highway to the grave, leading down to the chambers of death. (NIV)

Her house is the way to Sheol, Descending to the chambers of death. (NASB)

Just like Proverbs 5:5, these translators here are deceiving the people. Things do not just stop at the grave. There is life beyond the grave. What do you expect when truth has been constantly being thrown out and now they are churning out lies.

Proverbs 9:18

But he knoweth not that the dead are there; and that her guests are in the depths of hell. (AV)

But little do they know that the dead are there, that her guests are in the depths of the grave. (NIV)

But he does not know that the dead are there, That her guests are in the depths of Sheol. (NASB).

How deep is the grave? Can it be deeper than hell? Once again, these pseudo scholars are not very good in measurement. They try to black out hell with the grave. If possible, sinners will air-condition hell and make it more conducive for them to spend their time there.

Proverbs 15:11

Hell and destruction are before the LORD: how much more then the hearts of the children of men? (AV)

Death and Destruction lie open before the LORD – how much more the hearts of men! (NIV)

Sheol and Abaddon lie open before the LORD, How much more the hearts of men! (NASB)

They forget the passage in Luke 16:19-31 again. It is precisely that hell and destruction are before the Lord that Jesus Christ the Son of God came to die for sinners so that they might be delivered from hell and destruction. We can ignore the NASB because its translators run out of English words for translation.

Proverbs 27:20

Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied. (AV)

Death and Destruction are never satisfied, and neither are the eyes of man. (NIV)

Sheol and Abaddon are never satisfied, Nor are the eyes of man ever satisfied. (NASB)

Pathetic infidelity at work again! Why just stop at death? Unless the “scholars” do not believe in life after death! Why should the blessed Son of God take the sins of the whole world upon Himself to save sinners if that is the case?

Isaiah 5:14

Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it. (AV)

Therefore the grave enlarges its appetite and opens its mouth without limit; into it will descend their nobles and masses with all their brawlers and revelers. (NIV)

Therefore Sheol has enlarged its throat and opened its mouth without measure; And Jerusalem's splendor, her multitude, her din of revelry, and the jubilant within her, descend into it. (NASB)

Graves do not need to enlarge itself if there is a shortage of land. Bones of the dead can be dug out and exhumed and the land can be reused for fresh bodies of the dead. Furthermore, graves are only a temporary holding place for the dead bodies and once the bodies have been consumed, the grave is no more. Unlike the grave, hell is a real place where the souls of the wicked are tormented day and night and the souls are not consumed into dust and there ends the punishment. When more and more sinners are thrown into hell, it is obvious that hell will be enlarged for the increase in population. When will these “scholars” ever learn such simple truth!

Isaiah 14:9

Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations. (AV)

The grave below is all astir to meet you at your coming; it arouses the spirits of the departed to greet you – all those who were leaders in the world; it makes them rise from their thrones – all those who were kings over the nations. (NIV)

“Sheol from beneath is excited over you to meet you when you come; It arouses for you the spirits of the dead, all the leaders of the earth; It raises all the kings of the nations from their thrones. (NASB)

So according to these “scholars” the grave is “all astir” to meet some big-shot coming. This must be a mass grave! Do the dead bodies meet in the grave and start talking to each other? This may make good Hollywood movies but never Biblical truths. It is hell that is moved at the coming of the king of the children of pride. They missed it again! It is not the grave that is moved. Graves don’t move unless it is due to an earthquake. Here the inhabitants of hell are stirred up to receive the devil who is also cast into this place of torment. Hell is a centralized place while graves are located in different places all over the world. Do these “scholars” have any understanding at all!

Isaiah 14:15

Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. (AV)

But you are brought down to the grave, to the depths of the pit.
(NIV)

“Nevertheless you will be thrust down to Sheol, To the recesses of the pit. (NASB)

The translators of the NIV must have severely underestimated Lucifer. They think that the grave could keep him there! Perhaps, they are hoping he could become free! Is the grave alone sufficient punishment for someone so audacious as to exalt himself above the throne of God? Lucifer was trying to dethrone God! Such rebellion would dictate a much greater punishment than just casting down to the grave.

Isaiah 28:15

Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves: (AV)

You boast, “We have entered into a covenant with death, with the grave we have made an agreement. When an overwhelming scourge sweeps by, it cannot touch us, for we have made a lie our refuge and falsehood our hiding-place.” (NIV)

Because you have said, “We have made a covenant with death, And with Sheol we have made a pact. The overwhelming scourge will not reach us when it passes by, For we have made falsehood our refuge and we have concealed ourselves with deception.” (NASB)

What is the purpose of making an agreement with the grave when the bodies are no more once they have returned to the dust? Can it be an enforceable contract between the parties that have made it? It is ridiculous to suggest that these people thought that the grave could offer them protection from the overflowing scourge. Those people have more common sense than these translators.

Isaiah 28:18

And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it. (AV)

Your covenant with death will be disannulled; your covenant with the grave will not stand. When the overwhelming scourge sweeps by, you will be beaten down by it. (NIV)

“And your covenant with death shall be canceled, And your pact with Sheol shall not stand; When the overwhelming scourge passes through. (NASB)

Evidently, the “scholars” do not know that death and hell go together. They should have known had they been diligent students of the Bible. According to Revelation 6:8, *And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth,* Death and Hell move together. Even their own versions say “Death and Hades” in this verse. Unfortunately, they cannot make the connection.

Isaiah 57:9

And thou wentest to the king with ointment, and didst increase thy perfumes, and didst send thy messengers far off, and didst debase thyself even unto hell. (AV)

You went to Molech with olive oil and increase your perfumes. You sent your ambassadors far away; you descended to the grave itself! (NIV)

“And you have journeyed to the king with oil And increased your perfumes; You have sent your envoys a great distance, And made them go down to Sheol. (NASB)

Again, the grave is not the lowest place to debase oneself. Hell is a much lower place and of course, the translators of the NIV do not believe there is such a place and the translators of the NASB cannot translate such a place. Hell is a terribly offensive word!

Ezekiel 31:16

I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit: and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth. (AV)

I made the nation tremble at the sound of its fall when I brought it down to the pit. Then all the trees of Eden, the choicest and best of Lebanon, all the trees that were well-watered, were consoled in the earth below. (NIV)

“I made the nations quake at the sound of its fall when I made it go down to the pit; and all the well-watered trees of Eden, the choicest and best of Lebanon, were comforted in the earth beneath. (NASB)

Well, casting down someone to hell is too serious and too much to stomach. As such, the phrase “I cast him down to hell” disappeared from the verse here. This is just another symptom of the Severe Acute Hell Phobic sufferers.

Ezekiel 31:17

They also went down into hell with him unto them that be slain with the sword; and they that were his arm, that dwelt under his shadow in the midst of the heathen. (AV)

Those who lived in its shade, its allies among the nations, had also gone down to the grave with it, joining those killed by the sword. (NIV)

“They also went down with it to Sheol to those who were slain by the sword; and those who were its strength lived under its shade among the nations. (NASB)

So hell is again missing in the NIV. Going down to hell is too traumatic for these translators. They need professional help!

Ezekiel 32:21

The strong among the mighty shall speak to him out of the midst of hell with them that help him: they are gone down, they lie uncircumcised, slain by the sword. (AV)

From within the grave the mighty leaders will say of Egypt and her allies, ‘They have come down and they lie with the uncircumcised, with those killed by the sword.’ (NIV)

“The strong among the mighty ones shall speak of him and his helpers from the midst of Sheol, ‘They have gone down, they lie still, the uncircumcised, slain by the sword.’ (NASB)

The translators of the NIV have a penchant of speaking from the grave. If dead bodies can speak, they will tell these “scholars” here that what they are writing are false! Avoiding hell does not make one feel safer just like refraining from speaking about death does not make mortality unreal.

Amos 9:2

Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them; though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down: (AV)

Though they dig down to the depths of the grave, from there my hand will take them. Though they climb up to the heavens, from there I will bring them down. (NIV)

“Though they dig into Sheol. From there shall My hand take them; And though they ascend to heaven, From there will I bring them down. (NASB)

These people are again badly mistaken thinking that the reach of God Almighty is limited to the depths of the grave. According to Matthew 10:28, *And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell*, the depths of the grave are too shallow to demonstrate God’s power.

Jonah 2:2

And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I, and thou heardest my voice. (AV)

He said: “In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me. From the depths of the grave I called for help, and you listened to my cry. (NIV)

[A]nd he said, “I called for help from the depth of Sheol; Thou didst hear my voice. (NASB)

This is no doubt hell and not the grave. Dead body does not speak in or from the grave. However, the soul does speak in hell as in the case of the rich man in Luke 16:19-31. Jonah died and he spoke in hell. What makes them think that Jonah did not die in the belly of the whale? The belly of the whale happens to be the grave for Jonah. Who says the grave must always be on land? Like Christ, he was resurrected because he is a sign given to the Jews by the Lord Jesus Christ. Of course, we do not expect the “scholars” to grasp such wonderful truths from the Holy Bible. They must have been reading too much fairy tales and Pinocchio appears to be more real to them than hell.

Habakkuk 2:5

Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine, he is a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and is as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathereth unto him all nations, and heapeth unto him all people: (AV)

[I]ndeed, wine betrays him; he is arrogant and never at rest. Because he is as greedy as the grave and like death is never satisfied, he gathers to himself all the nations and takes captive all the peoples. (NIV)

“Furthermore, wine betrays the haughty man, So that he does not stay at home. He enlarges his appetite like Sheol, And he is like death, never satisfied. He also gathers to himself all nations And collects to himself all peoples. (NASB)

By now we need not believe that the word “Sheol” means the grave. It is definitely hell that can be enlarged like the case in Isaiah 5:14. The word “hell” has been commonly used by unsaved people to signify extremes in many ways during swearing such as “pain like hell,” “hot like hell,” and so on. Have you ever heard unsaved people say, “All graves break loose?” You will never hear anyone exclaim something like “hot like grave” or “what the grave” and such likes. If these “scholars” do not have much common sense, we are not surprised.

Matthew 5:22

But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire. (AV)

But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to his brother, ‘Raca,’ is answerable to the Sanhedrin. But anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of the fire of hell. (NIV)

“But I say to you that every one who is angry with his brother shall be guilty before the court; and whoever shall say to his brother, ‘Raca,’ shall be guilty before the supreme court; and whosoever shall say, ‘You fool,’ shall be guilty enough to go into the hell of fire. (NASB)

As we proceed to examine New Testament passages, it is interesting to note that the translators of the NIV and NASB are translating the word “hell” in certain places. One glaring omission here is the phrase “without a cause” in the NIV and NASB but the word “hell” appears in the verse. The implication here is that a Christian is not allowed to get angry with his

brother otherwise he will have to face the danger of judgment. If a Christian calls his brother, “Raca” he will be in danger of being called to stand before the Sanhedrin according to the NIV and the “supreme court” according to the NASB. It seems that this is a very serious offense as far as these translators are concerned. If a Christian calls someone a fool, he is in danger of hell fire!

Let us examine the matter carefully lest we prejudge this “scholars” as they begin to learn to translate the word “hell.” Consider the following verses in the Holy Bible.

And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise (John 2:15 & 16).

And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves, And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves (Matthew 21:12 & 13).

The Lord Jesus Christ was angry not once but twice. Not only He was angry, He overthrew tables and chased people from the temple in Jerusalem. According to our modern “scholars,” the Lord Jesus Christ is in danger of judgment. So He was brought before the council of the religious establishment to be judged and eventually He was put to death on the cross of Calvary, if we are to interpret the most updated and accurate English Bibles put out by these people. But the question here is whether the Lord Jesus Christ was angry without a cause? What do the modern versions have to say about the phrase “without a cause”? They are as silent as the grave!

Ye fools, did not he that made that which is without make that which is within also? (Luke 11:40)

Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? (Luke 24:25 & 26)

Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifieth the gold? And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever sweareth by the gift that is upon it, he is guilty. Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift? (Matthew 23:17-19)

Besides getting angry with the people, there are at least three occasions where the Lord Jesus Christ called people fools. According to the “scholars” who gave us the most reliable English Bibles, the Lord Jesus Christ is in danger of fire of hell! Did the Lord Jesus Christ go to hell because He called people fools?

But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die (1 Corinthians 15:35 & 36).

O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh? (Galatians 3:1-3)

The apostle Paul is also guilty of this very obnoxious offense according to the “scholars” of these modern Bibles and he is in danger of hell fire. The translators of these modern Bibles have been very careful not to use the word hell in the Old Testament and also several places in the New Testament. Why are they so quick and willing to use the word “hell” here? Are they being very subjective on certain offenses and sins that they deem worthy to be punished in the fire of hell than others? Or are they also worried that there will be Bible believing Christians who will be angry with them and expose their sins of corrupting the English Bibles and will call them fools? Is this the reason why judgment and hell fire are reserved for those who dare to question their authority in adulterating the pure words of the living God? It certainly begs the question for their motives in removing the phrase “without a cause” and translating the word “hell” in this verse. If they are trying to be accurate to depict hell figuratively as the Greek word which they often claim actually refers to a rubbish dump where rubbish are incinerated, they could have come up with a less serious word.

Matthew 5:29

And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell. (AV)

If your right eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. (NIV)

“And if your right eye makes you stumble, tear it out, and throw it from you; for it is better for you that one of the parts of your body perish, than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. (NASB)

So these “scholars” believe in hell after all! For a change, it is quite strange indeed! This might be another class of sins and offense they would not tolerate and hell fire is the proper punishment for such offenders.

Matthew 11:23

And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. (AV)

And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted up to the skies? No, you will go down to the depths. If the miracles that were performed in Sodom, it would have remained to this day. (NIV)

*“And you, Capernaum, will not be exalted to heaven, will you? You shall **DESCEND TO HADES**; for if the miracles had occurred in you, it would have remained to this day. (NASB)*

Luke 10:15

And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to hell. (AV)

And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted up to the skies? No, you will go down to the depths. (NIV)

“And you, Capernaum, will not be exalted to heaven, will you? You will be brought down to Hades!” (NASB)

Suddenly, our “scholars” have lapsed into Acute Hell Phobia again! When this is actually a place, they cannot translate it into English for the benefit of the English speaking-people so deprived of an accurate, updated and easier to read English Bible! You reckon these linguistic “experts” are really interested in helping out the common men? Why are the translators of the NIV so nebulous in suggesting that the place Jesus spoke of is the “depths”? What are the depths and where are these places? It is indeed puzzling that they can so quickly forget there is a word called “hell” which is most appropriate. As usual, the NASB translators have been “faithfully” avoiding the controversy of hell by refusing to translate the word “Hades” as this might offend the scholarly community.

Matthew 16:18

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. (AV)

And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. (NIV)

“And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock will I build My church; and the gates of Hades shall not overpower it. (NASB)

This time, the “scholars” have agreed that the place in the underworld must not be clearly made known to those who are alive. Acute Hell Phobic Syndrome in manifestation again! We can expect more of such symptoms as we proceed to examine the Scriptures.

Luke 16:23

And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. (AV)

“And in Hades he lifted up his eyes, being in torment, and saw Abraham far away, and Lazarus in his bosom. (NIV)

“And in Hades he lifted up his eyes, being in torment, and saw Abraham far away, and Lazarus in his bosom. (NASB)

This is one place that shows the torment of fire of the dead and this place is known as hell. Perhaps, the “scholars” cannot stomach this fact and they leave it to the imagination of the readers of the modern versions to figure out what and where is Hades! When they were once so zealous in pointing out certain sins and offenses that will warrant the punishment of hell fire in Matthew 5:22 & 29, they suddenly turned cold-feet at the prospect of the actual punishment in a real place in hell. Maybe, they are trying to help the Jehovah Witnesses by turning this passage into a parable! How can we ever take these people seriously?

Acts 2:27

Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. (AV)

[B]ecause you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay. (NIV)

BECAUSE THOU WILT NOT ABANDON MY SOUL TO HADES, NOR ALLOW THY HOLY ONE TO UNDERGO DECAY. (NASB)

These “scholars” have been consistent in believing that hell is the grave. The NIV must remove the word “soul” so that they can use the word “grave” because it does not make sense for the soul to go to the grave. Of course, the NASB is famous for avoiding this issue of hell and not translating the word is the better part of valor.

Acts 2:31

He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption. (AV)

Seeing what was ahead, he spoke of the resurrection of Christ, that he was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay. (NIV)

[H]e looked ahead and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that He was neither abandoned to Hades, nor did His flesh suffer decay. (NASB)

We have the same old story again that the body and the soul are confused with the destinations of the departed dead. They cannot believe the fact that the soul of the Lord Jesus Christ went to hell while His body went to the grave.

The apostle Paul tells us that, ***For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him*** (2 Corinthians 5:21). Also according to the apostle Peter, Christ, ***Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed*** (1 Peter 2:24). Now the question is where are the sins that Christ bore for the whole world? Did He just leave the sins in the grave? If that is the case, then any sinners who died in their sins would just have to bring their sins to the grave in their dead bodies and that will end the whole matter. But we know that the soul of the unbelieving dead does go to hell to be punished though the body has already gone to the grave. So sins tainted not only the body, which must die a physical death, but the soul as well that it must be punished in hell fire. While Christ bore the sins of the whole world in His body that was buried in the grave, His soul brought the sins to hell where it rightfully belongs.

That is why the author of Hebrews said, ***So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation*** (Hebrews 9:28). The Lord Jesus Christ will appear the second time without sin because He no longer bears the sins of the world. But then again, we expect the “scholars” to miss this very important point and let us see what they have to say about Hebrews 9:28.

[S]o Christ was crucified once to take away sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are awaiting for him. (NIV)

[S]o Christ also, having been offered once to bear sins of many, shall appear a second time, not to bear sin, to those who eagerly await Him, for salvation. (NASB)

It is definitely not “not to bear sin” which is understood but “without sin unto salvation” and not “for salvation” because salvation is already completed. When Christ shall appear the second time, He will no longer have sins on Him because He had already left them in hell.

According to Ephesians 4:8-10 we are told, *Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)* Is the lower part of the earth the grave? We know that the body of the Lord Jesus Christ was buried in the cave and not lowered into the lower part of the earth. So Christ had gone down to the underworld and while he was there we were told that, *By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison* (1 Peter 3:19) and *For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit* (1 Peter 4:6). So in Revelation 1:18, *I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death*, we find the Lord Jesus Christ having conquered hell and death is now in possession of the keys thereof. Will the translators of the NIV and NASB ever know of such wonderful truths?

James 3:6

And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell. (AV)

The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole person, sets the whole course of his life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. (NIV)

The tongue is a fire, the very world of iniquity; the tongue is set among our members as that which defiles the entire body, and sets on fire the course of our life, and is set on fire by hell. (NASB)

The translators are talking about hell again! It is concerning the tongue of men. Are they putting hell here to prevent anyone from speaking

out against their sins of corrupting the Holy Bible? We must not say bad things about these “scholars” lest we face “their danger of hell fire!”

Revelation 1:18

I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death. (AV)

I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades. (NIV)

[A]nd the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of dearth and of Hades. (NASB)

The readers of the modern English versions are left to figure out the place of Hades. Shame on these people for not keeping their promise of making the archaic Authorized King James Bible more readable and easier to understand!

Revelation 6:8

And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth. (AV)

I looked, and there before me was a pale horse! Its rider was named Death, and Hades was following close behind him. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by sword, famine and plague, and by the wild beasts of the earth. (NIV)

*And I looked, and behold, an ashen horse; and he who sat on it had the name “Death”; and Hades was following with him. And authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth, **TO KILL WITH SWORD AND WITH FAMINE AND WITH PESTILENCE AND BY THE WILD BEASTS OF THE EARTH.** (NASB)*

So here the translators cannot translate Hades as the grave or the depths like they did previously. It will make them look exceedingly stupid to put out a Bible that says “Death and Grave was following close behind

him” and they are left with no choice but to concede that the word “Hades” they translated earlier was not always consistent. So it is Death and Hell that will go together as commented earlier. There is no point in commenting on the NASB which is as usual refusing to translate the word “Hades.”

Revelation 20:13 & 14

And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. (AV)

The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what he had done. Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. (NIV)

And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds. And death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. (NASB)

Again, it is death and hell that are cast into the lake of fire and not death and the grave or the depths according to the translators of the NIV. So what happen to hell mentioned by the NIV and the NASB in Matthew 5:22 & 29 and James 3:6? They suddenly drop out of the radar screen! So is “Hades” hell after all? As such, those guilty of calling people fools do not end up in the lake of fire, if we are to believe the NIV and NASB and take them seriously. If Hades is not hell and hell is not cast into the lake of fire, then Matthew 5:22 & 29 and James 3:6 according to the NIV and NASB are fraudulent threats; as eventually, hell is not going anywhere. Indeed there will be no danger in getting angry with these “scholars” for corrupting the Holy Bible and calling them fools will definitely not land anyone in hell fire! Wouldn’t it be a delight to call these Bible critics fools because all is well and there is really no hell?

When we see these “scholars” who have no qualms about adding and removing God’s holy words at will, it would be interesting to find out about what they think about the word “proud” and “pride” in the Holy Bible. Once again, we do not expect fidelity from these proud men and as usual, we certainly do expect to be entertained by their foolish and ridiculous antics when these “scholars” in vain try to give the world a more accurate and easier to read and to understand English Bible for the readers of the English speaking world. We will take a careful look to see whether their suggested changes are indeed justified so that the readers can conclude whether these “godly” men have any understanding at all.

Job 9:13

If God will not withdraw his anger, the proud helpers do stoop under him. (AV)

God does not restrain his anger; even the cohorts of Rahab cowered at his feet. (NIV)

“God will not turn back His anger; Beneath Him crouch the helpers of Rahab. (NASB)

Job 26:12

He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through the proud. (AV)

By his power he churned up the sea; by his wisdom he cut Rahab to pieces. (NIV)

“He quieted the sea with His power, And by His understanding He shattered Rahab. (NASB)

These two verses here show the translators of the NIV and NASB refusing to translate the word into English. Apparently, there is an implication here that the translators of the Authorized Version might be wrong in their translation. So we have two testimonies against one in two different places. Is it true that the Authorized King James Bible have been wrong in these two verses for more than three hundred years and the modern day “scholars” have finally managed to help the English-speaking world in

restoring the correct reading for these two verse? Let us consider three different verses whereby the translators of the Authorized King James Bible allow the word “Rahab” to be used in those places.

I will make mention of Rahab and Babylon to them that know me: behold Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia; this man was born there. (Psalm 87:4)

Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them. Thou hast broken Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain; thou hast scattered thine enemies with thy strong arm. (Psalm 89:9 & 10)

Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. Art thou not it that hath cut Rahab, and wounded the dragon? (Isaiah 51:9)

Rahab is mentioned in the three verses above. One is mentioned in connection with Babylon, another with God’s enemies and one more with the dragon. It is not as though the translators of the Authorized Version did not know when to use the word “Rahab” and when not to because if it were to be used consistently throughout the Bible, it will fail to make a clear distinction between some proud people in general and the king of the children of pride in particular. The reference of Rahab in the three verses here is unmistakable and it is referring to the person of Satan. This Rahab is not to be confused with Rahab the harlot in the book of Joshua. With the “scholars” having made so many tragic mistakes in so many places in giving us the most updated, readable and accurate Bibles, why should we believe they are right to leave the word “Rahab” not translated in Job 9:13 & 26:12? Here we witness another vain attempt to prove the Authorized King James Bible wrong and a hopeless display of scholarship by these “scholars” who are quick to replace the pure words of the living God at any opportune moment when there is none. To think that the modern day translators have more knowledge and spiritual discernment than the translators of the Authorized Version is an insult to our intelligence!

Psalm 12:3

The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, and the tongue that speaketh proud things: (AV)

May the LORD cut off all flattering lips and every boastful tongue
(NIV)

May the LORD cut off all flattering lips, The tongue that speaks great things; (NASB)

Why is “proud things” wrong in the Authorized Version? So which is the correct word, “boastful tongue” or “great things”? Amazing isn’t it? Why leave the English readers guessing?

Psalm 86:14

O God, the proud are risen against me, and the assemblies of violent men have sought after my soul; and have not set thee before them. (AV)

The arrogant are attacking me, O God; a band of ruthless men seeks my life – men without regard for you. (NIV)

O God, arrogant men have risen up against me, And a band of violent men have sought my life, And they have not set Thee before them.
(NASB)

What is wrong with the word “proud”? Is it an archaic word? Why choose a three syllables word “arrogant”? Is this the way forward in giving the English-speaking world a Bible that is easier to read and understand?

Psalm 124:5

Then the proud waters had gone over our soul. (AV)

[T]he raging waters would have swept us away. (NIV)

Then the raging waters would have swept over our soul. (NASB)

Have these translators read Job 38:11, *And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud waves be stayed?* Spiritual discernment is not the forte of these “scholars.” Of course we are not surprised!

Proverbs 6:17

A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,
(AV)

[H]aughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood,
(NIV)

Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, And hands that shed innocent blood,
(NASB)

Can a blind man be proud? Pride is not limited to those who have haughty eyes!

Proverbs 16:5

Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished. (AV)

The LORD detest all the proud of heart. Be sure of this: They will not go unpunished. (NIV)

Detest is too mild a word to use to show God's displeasure. Even the translators of the NASB used the word "abominable" in this case. Are they hoping that God will not be too harsh on those proud people?

Proverbs 28:25

He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat. (AV)

A greedy man stirs up dissension, but he who trust in the LORD will prosper. (NIV)

An arrogant man stirs up strife, But he who trusts in the LORD will prosper. (NASB)

This shows that the main objective of the "scholars" is to get rid of the pure and inspired words of the living God. Anyone can write a Bible. We can also have a verse like, "A crazy man stirs up trouble" or "A self-

conceited scholar is trying to show off” and no one can prove that they are not the word of God. Needless to say, the Authorized Version is right and we reject the NIV and NASB.

Ecclesiastes 7:8

Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit. (AV)

The end of a matter is better than its beginning, and patience is better than pride. (NIV)

The end of a matter is better than its beginning; Patience of spirit is better than haughtiness of spirit. (NASB)

The comparison is “in spirit” and not between patience and pride! Nothing wrong with the word “proud” and we reject the word “haughtiness” as suggested by the translators of the NASB without a second thought. After all the common men do not need a three-syllables word instead of a one-syllable word. These “scholars” are actually trying to make life difficult for them when in fact the Authorized Version is so simple to read and understand.

Isaiah 13:11

And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible. (AV)

I will punish the world for its evil, the wicked for their sins. I will put an end to the arrogance of the haughty and will humble the pride of the ruthless. (NIV)

The word haughty is not sufficient to cover the definition of the word “proud.” A person may not be haughty but he can still be proud. One fine example is the translators of these modern English versions. They may not be haughty men but they are certainly very proud of their scholarship and linguistic skills. Otherwise, why would they keep adding and subtracting God’s words?

Jeremiah 43:2

Then spake Azariah the son of Hoshaiiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the proud men, saying unto Jeremiah, Thou speakest falsely: the LORD our God hath not sent thee to say, Go not into Egypt to sojourn there: (AV)

Azariah son of Hoshaiiah and Johanan son of Kareah and all the arrogant men said to Jeremiah, “You are lying! The LORD our God has not sent you to say, ‘You must not go to Egypt to settle there.’ (NIV)

[T]hat Azariah the son of Hoshaiiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the arrogant men said to Jeremiah, “You are telling a lie! The LORD our God has not sent you to say, ‘You are not to enter Egypt to reside there’; (NASB)

It is very arrogant of these translators to replace the word “proud” with “arrogant” when “proud” is a simpler word to read and understand by most English readers.

Jeremiah 50:29

Call together the archers against Babylon: all ye that bend the bow, camp against it round about; let none thereof escape: recompense her according to her work; according to all that she hath done, do unto her: for she hath been proud against the LORD, against the Holy One of Israel. (AV)

“Summon archers against Babylon, all those who draw the bow. Encamp all round her; let no-one escape. Repay her for her deeds; do to her as she has done. For she defiled the LORD, the Holy One of Israel. (NIV)

“Summon many against Babylon, All those who bend the bow: Encamp against her on every side, Let there be no escape. Repay her according to her work; According to all that she has done, so do to her; For she has become arrogant against the LORD, Against the Holy One of Israel. (NASB)

Evidently, the translators of the NIV do not think that Babylon has been proud against the Lord. Again arrogant is not a good word to use as this may confuse the readers who are simple minded and the simple English words from the Authorized Version will do.

Jeremiah 50:32

And the most proud shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up: and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall devour all round about him. (AV)

The arrogant one will stumble and fall and no-one will help her up; I will kindle a fire in her towns that will consume all who are around her. (NIV)

And the arrogant one will stumble and fall With no one to raise him up; And I shall set fire to his cities, And it will devour all his environs.” (NASB)

Since they cannot prove that the word “proud” is archaic or difficult to read, we consistently reject their “showmanship” in making the Bible more obscure for the common men. Here we have another master-piece of scholarship with the use of the word “environs.” Don’t you think that this is a bit too “scholarly”? Thank God for preserving the simple (Psalm 116:6).

Habakkuk 2:5

Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine, he is a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and is as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathereth unto him all nations, and heapeth unto him all people: (AV)

[I]ndeed, wine betrays him; he is arrogant and never at rest. Because he is as greedy as the grave and like death is never satisfied, he gathers to himself all the nations and takes captive all the peoples. (NIV)

“Furthermore, wine betrays the haughty man, So that he does not stay at home. He enlarges his appetite like Sheol, And he is like death, never satisfied. He also gathers to himself all nations And collects to himself all peoples. (NASB)

Well, we still cannot figure out who is right. Is arrogant better than haughty? What about egotistical? Does it not sound nice to have this word for the latest, most sophisticated and more superior display of arrogance and haughtiness in the business of producing more English Bibles to stamp a copy-right on each one to make a quick buck?

Malachi 4:1

For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. (AV)

“Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and that day that is coming will set them of fire,” says the LORD Almighty. “Not a root or a branch will be left to them. (NIV)

“FOR behold, the day is coming, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and every evildoer will be chaff; and the day that is coming will set them ablaze,” says the LORD of hosts, “so that it will leave them neither root nor branch.” (NASB)

How arrogant of these people to change the words of God when there is absolutely to need to do so as the word “proud” is much easier to read and understand than the word “arrogant” as suggested by these “scholars” who are not in touch with the common men.

Romans 1:30

Backbiters, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, (AV)

[S]landerers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; (NIV)

[S]landerers, haters of God, insolent, arrogant, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, (NASB)

It is really making memorization of Scriptures more difficult with such unhelpful changes made by the translators of the modern English

Bibles. Perhaps, these translators have never memorized a verse in the Bible in their lifetime as all verses in the Bible are subject to change at a moment's notice.

1 Timothy 6:4

He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, (AV)

[H]e is conceited and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels about words that result in envy, strife, malicious talk, evil suspicions (NIV)

[H]e is conceited and understands nothing; but he has a morbid interest in controversial questions and disputes about words, out of which arise envy, strife, abusive language, evil suspicions. (NASB)

We have another difficult word here. According to these “scholars,” conceited is a more superior and appropriate word to use. Pity those Christians who have to live with an imperfect English Bible for hundreds of years until these people restore the correct reading for us! We are warned to be careful not to have an “unhealthy interest in controversies and **quarrels** about **words**” so we must not complain about these “scholars” corrupting God’s words. We are also told to be wary of those who have a “morbid interest in controversial questions and **dispute** about **words**” and hence we must stop questioning the authority of these “scholars” in adulterating the words of the living God. Fortunately, this is not what the Authorized King James Bible says and we will continue to expose these religious charlatans and we will give place, no, not for an hour; that we may defend the Holy Bible given unto the saints.

1 Samuel 17:28

And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why camest thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle. (AV)

When Eliab, David's oldest brother, heard him speaking with the men, he burned with anger at him and asked, "Why have you come down here? And with whom did you leave those few sheep in the desert? I know how conceited you are and how wicked your heart is; you came down only to watch the battle." (NIV)

Now Eliab his oldest brother heard when he spoke to the men; and Eliab's anger burned against David and he said, "Why have you come down? And with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your insolence and the wickedness of your heart; for you have come down in order to see the battle." (NASB)

Well, we are introduced with more words now. Should we choose "conceited" or "insolence" over the word "pride"? Perhaps, anyone one will do since these people do not believe we have an infallible Bible! The "scholars" do not seem to know the difference between naughtiness and wickedness! If they have children, maybe they consider their children to be wicked instead of just being naughty. We have very naughty translators here, don't we? Maybe wicked is the correct word to describe them after all!

Job 35:12

There they cry, but none giveth answer, because of the pride of evil men. (AV)

He does not answer when men cry out because of the arrogance of the wicked. (NIV)

For a change, the NASB use the word "pride" instead of following the NIV.

Job 41:15

His scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal. (AV)

His back has rows of shields tightly sealed together; (NIV)

The NIV has taken away the pride of leviathan. They think the king of the children of pride has no pride! Of course, they are badly mistaken.

Job 41:34

He beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride. (AV)

He looks down on all that are haughty; he is king over all that are proud. (NIV)

Once again, the NASB thinks that the word should be pride and not proud. It is clear that the phrase “all the children of pride” is more definitive and superior than the phrase “all that are proud.” We are not suggesting that the NIV has ever produced any thing that is good let alone superior.

Psalm 10:4

The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts. (AV)

In his pride the wicked does not seek him; in all his thoughts there is no room for God. (NIV)

The wicked, in the haughtiness of his countenance, does not seek Him. All his thoughts are, “There is no God.” (NASB)

The word “pride” and “countenance” are missing in the NIV. It is indeed very arrogant of them to remove God’s words. Haughtiness is too sophisticated a word for the English readers who have no problem with “archaic” words in the Authorized King James Bible.

Psalm 31:20

Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues. (AV)

In the shelter of your presence you hide them from the intrigues of men; in your dwelling you keep them safe from accusing tongues. (NIV)

Thou dost keep them in the secret place of Thy presence from the conspiracies of man; Thou dost keep them secretly in a shelter from the strife of tongues. (NASB)

We are having a ball of a time here to figure out which is really the true word of the living God. The “scholars” are throwing up more sophisticated words to impress the English-speaking world on their linguistic skills. Since, there is no final authority, we are left only with preference. If you prefer, you may like the word “intrigues” which is quite intriguing given the fact that we are supposed to be having a Bible that is easier to read and understand. Or if you like, you may prefer to use the word “conspiracies” over the word “pride” and we should stop having a “morbid interest in controversial questions and dispute about words” because after all, we are one big happy family of infidels!

Psalm 36:11

Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remove me. (AV)

May the foot of the proud not come against me, nor the hand of the wicked drive me away. (NIV)

It appears that the translators of the NIV just hate the words in the Authorized King James Bible. Which word do they think that the readers will not be able to understand? Can one of them tell us? The NASB disagree with them though.

Proverbs 14:3

In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserve them. (AV)

A fool's talk brings a rod to his back, but the lips of the wise protect them. (NIV)

In the mouth of the foolish is a rod for his back, But the lips of the wise will preserve them. (NASB)

We have another demonstration of the inconsistency of the translators of the NIV and NASB. The same word here is also used in Isaiah 25:11 and Zephaniah 3:11 but they translated the word as pride for the two verses. However, just because they could not understand the verse in Proverbs 14:3, they changed it to something else. Have they not read how the word “rod” is also being used in other portions of the Scriptures? Let us take a look at some of them below.

For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity. (Psalm 125:3)

O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is mine indignation. (Isaiah 10:5)

But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. (Isaiah 11:4)

I am the man that hath seen affliction by the rod of his wrath. (Lamentations 3:1)

Violence is risen up into a rod of wickedness: none of them shall remain, nor of their multitude, nor of any of theirs: neither shall there be wailing for them. (Ezekiel 7:11)

So what is wrong with a “rod of pride”? Do not the “scholars” know that the foolish like to boast when they talk? Do they not know that, ***In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise*** (Proverbs 10:19)? So the rod of pride comes from a foolish man. Perhaps, it is only these “scholars” who are so defective in spiritual knowledge that they really deserve the rod for their back.

Isaiah 28:1 & 3

Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is a fading flower, which are on the head of the fat valleys of them that are overcome with wine! The crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim, shall be trodden under feet: (AV)

Woe to that wreath, the pride of Ephraim's drunkards, to the fading flower, his glorious beauty, set on the head of a fertile valley – to that city, the pride of those laid low by wine! That wreath, the pride of Ephraim's drunkards, will be trampled underfoot. (NIV)

The translators are going for “accuracy” instead of common sense. How much pride can you exact from a wreath! Their lack of poetic liberty is indeed appalling. Even the NASB retains the word “crown” and “pride” instead of going along to write a comic strip instead of a Bible. Just when we think the translators are being accurate and consistent, it is noted that there are many places where they have also translated the same word as crown in Proverbs 4:9, 12:4, 14:24 and so on. It is always safe to write them off whenever they differ from the Authorized King James Bible.

Ezekiel 7:10

Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded. (AV)

“The day is here! It has come! Doom has burst forth, the rod has budded, arrogance has blossomed! (NIV)

‘Behold, the day! Behold, it is coming! Your doom had gone forth; the rod has budded, arrogance has blossomed. (NASB)

Is arrogance really a better word? Don't you think that it would make memorizing of Scriptures more difficult? Can they prove that the word “pride” is a wrong translation? By now everyone should know that their claim of making the Bible easier to read and understand is a lie because they have consistently chosen more difficult words to replace the simpler words in the Authorized King James Bible.

Ezekiel 16:49

Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. (AV)

“ Now this was the sin of your sister Sodom: She and her daughters were arrogant, overfed and unconcerned; they did not help the poor and needy. (NIV)

“Behold, this was the guilt of your sister Sodom: she and her daughters had arrogance, abundant food, and careless ease, but she did not help the poor and needy. (NASB)

Are “careless ease” and “had arrogance” good English? It is indeed pass finding out! One must possess a PhD in jokes to write such thing. It seems like anyone is qualified to write a Bible. We never expect them to match the standards of the translators of the Authorized King James Bible.

Ezekiel 30:6

Thus saith the LORD; They also that uphold Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her power shall come down: from the tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord GOD. (AV)

“ ‘ This is what the LORD says: “ ‘The allies of Egypt will fall and her proud strength will fail. From Migdol to Aswan they will fall by the sword within her, declares the Sovereign LORD. (NIV)

Here the NASB also says “the pride of her power” and there is really no reason why we should ever take the NIV seriously. The translators are again trying to show that they have advanced information that the translators of the Authorized Version do not have when they inserted the word “Aswan” instead of the word “Syene.” The NASB disagree with them as well. We just have a good laugh whenever the “scholars” demonstrate their arrogance in changing the pure words of the living God.

Daniel 5:20

But when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened in pride, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him: (AV)

But when his heart became arrogant and hardened with pride, he was deposed from his royal throne and stripped of his glory. (NIV)

“But when his heart was lifted up and his spirit became so proud that he behaved arrogantly, he was deposed from his royal throne, and his glory was taken away from him. (NASB)

The word “mind” is missing here though the same word has been translated as “mind” in Ezekiel 11:5 by the translators of the NIV. Why the phrase “mind hardened in pride” has to be changed is again the norm as far as these “scholars” are concerned as their main objective is to get rid of the Authorized King James Bible. We can therefore reject their readings as usual nonsense like a small child trying to get attention. The NASB thinks that the spirit is the correct word instead of the mind that is hardened in pride. But then again in Ezekiel 11:5, the NASB gives themselves away when they translated, “for I know your thoughts.” This clearly points out that the Authorized Version is right and it is the mind that is hardened in pride. It is indeed very hard to be a liar because he needs to have a very good memory. It never pays to mess around with God’s holy words; it will surely catch up with the Bible critics who are audacious enough to corrupt this pure and inspired word of the living God.

Hosea 5:5

And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquity; Judah also shall fall with them. (AV)

Israel’s arrogance testifies against them; the Israelites, even Ephraim, stumble in their sin; Judah also stumbles with them. (NIV)

This is once again the usual standard practice of the “scholars” making the Bible impossible to be memorized by Bible believing Christians. Nothing is wrong with the word “pride” but it is always wrong according to the arrogant “scholars” of our day and age.

Hosea 7:10

And the pride of Israel testifieth to his face: and they do not return to the LORD their God, nor seek him for all this. (AV)

Israel’s arrogance testifies against him, but despite all this he does not return to the LORD his God or search for him. (NIV)

“Arrogance” is their preferred word but not everyone agrees with them including the translators of the NASB. Of course, pride is always the more superior and appropriate word given by inspiration of God.

Zechariah 11:3

There is a voice of the howling of the shepherds; for their glory is spoiled: a voice of the roaring of young lions; for the pride of Jordan is spoiled. (AV)

Listen to the wail of the shepherds: their rich pastures are destroyed! Listen to the roar of the lions; the lush thicket of the Jordan is ruined! (NIV)

They are going off in a tangent again and the NASB did not join them for this excursion into fairyland! If they think that the Bible readers cannot understand the “pride of Jordan,” they really need to seek professional help for their self-conceit.

Mark 7:22

Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: (AV)

[G]reed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. (NIV)

They think that by just being different from the Authorized King James Bible will get them attention. We do not expect these arrogant “scholars” to stop messing with God’s word. If there do, we will not have so much fun exposing their shoddy scholarship.

1 Timothy 3:6

Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. (AV)

He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. (NIV)

[A]nd not a new convert, lest he become conceited and fall into the condemnation incurred by the devil. (NASB)

They are really conceited by not telling the readers how this novice will get into trouble. The trouble is pride and this conceited “scholars” will never admit that the Authorized King James Bible is perfect, inerrant and infallible and that it will one day judge them for what they have done to the words of the living God.

1 John 2:16

For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. (AV)

For everything in the world – the cravings of sinful man, the lust of the eyes and the boasting of what he has and does – comes not from the Father but the world. (NIV)

For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. (NASB)

Arrogant and conceited people cannot understand that “pride of life” needs not be “boasting of what one has and does” because even when a man is left alone with no one to boast to, he can still be lifted up in the pride of life in his heart. Pride of life transient the materialistic pursuit of the common men and a monk or a nun can also be guilty of such pride even though they “quarantine” themselves from the world. Even Christians can fall into spiritual pride when they do not esteem others better than themselves. The word “boastful pride” is a misnomer as though adding an adjective “boastful” to “pride” would serve as a superlative to bring out the full force of the word “pride.” This is tantamount to saying that these translators “misunderestimated” the word “pride.”

When these “scholars” become lifted up in pride, thinking that they can treat the words of the living God like any other books written by men, they can no longer think straight. They have made so many ridiculous changes to the Bible and they certainly make a name for themselves. It is indeed pathetic of them to issue veiled threats against their critics by putting out statements such as “unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels

about words” and “morbid interest in controversial questions and dispute about words.” So are the two words “proud” and “pride” difficult words that require to be changed so that they English-speaking readers will be able to better understand the Holy Bible? They must have been schooled into self-conceit and their scholarship is truly laughable. Indeed, the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. What we are witnessing is the display of such wisdom, which is earthly, sensual and devilish, when these people sit in judgment of the pure and holy words given by inspiration of God Almighty.

Since the “scholars” have been changing, adding and subtracting the words of the living God as and when they like with no basis whatsoever, it is inevitable that we have to question their motives behind such practice. One such word we would like to look into is the word “guile” because these “scholars” are not so stupid as to openly set out to deceive the English-speaking world by saying that they are actually corrupting the pure words of God. Instead they engage in a campaign of guile by suggesting that the words in the Authorized King James Bible are archaic and needed to be replaced. They are claiming that they are actually updating the Authorized Version making it more accurate and relevant and in the process producing an English Bible that is more readable and easily understood by the common men. So we have versions after versions of English Bibles years after years and no one can finally claim that the perfect, inerrant and inspired English Bible has eventually arrived. It is definitely not anytime soon or anytime in the foreseeable future that they will be able to produce this perfect English Bible that the common men badly need because it is already in our hands for hundreds of years since 1611, and it will continue to stay that way till our Savior comes to catch His Bride away. Let us examine their folly and expose their deceit and along the way be made aware of their modus operandi.

Exodus 21:14

But if a man come presumptuously upon his neighbour, to slay him with guile; thou shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die. (AV)

But if a man schemes and kills another man deliberately, take him away from my altar and put him to death. (NIV)

“If, however, a man acts presumptuously toward his neighbor, so as to kill him craftily, you are to take him even from My altar, that he may die. (NASB)

Here we find that the “scholars” have a problem with the word “guile” when the meaning in the context of this verse includes scheming to kill and killing a person craftily. We need to have all the scholastic minds of these “experts” combined to come out with two different verses when just one word “guile” is sufficient to make clear the “intent of the original writer,” to borrow a quote they often make. Of course, the word “guile” includes more

than just being crafty or scheming but when will these “scholars” ever acknowledge this when their only focus is to change the pure words of God.

Psalm 32:2

Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile. (AV)

Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit. (NIV)

How blessed is the man to whom the LORD does not impute iniquity, And in whose spirit there is no deceit! (NASB)

Deceit is just one of the characteristics of the word “guile” and we can see that the verse suggested by the “scholars” is of a lower standard. They seem to imply that the man will be blessed as long as there is no spirit of deceit in the man but other form of spirit such as craftiness is tolerated.

Psalm 34:13

Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile. (AV)

[K]eep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies. (NIV)

Keep your tongue from speaking from evil, And your tongue lips from speaking deceit. (NASB)

One needs not be just speaking lies and deceit when he is speaking guile. Don't the “scholars” know this? If one speaks in such a way though he is telling the truth but the effect is to lead his listener to come to the wrong conclusion, he is guilty of speaking guile. Did not the “scholars” read what Abraham told the kings about his wife, Sarah?

Psalm 55:11

Wickedness is in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets. (AV)

Destructive forces are at work in the city; threats and lies never leave its streets. (NIV)

Destruction is in her midst; Oppression and deceit do not depart from her streets. (NASB)

Here we see the “scholars” scurrying for cover when they probably thought the translators of the Authorized Version did not have the word “deceit” in their vocabulary or that they did not know when to use this word. So we are told that deceit and guile are not exactly the same and this forced the “scholars” to scramble for words to cover up their “deceit” and one group thinks it should be threats while any group thinks that oppression is the better choice. We are once again reduced to the fact that any word will do since we do not have any final authority and God has failed to preserve His inspired words for the child of God. But rest assured that these “scholars” would not fail us, definitely not his time. The “scholars” are working very hard to restore the perfect words from the divine originals and the most perfect English Bible is in the pipeline. So just hang on for the good news and good night!

John 1:47

Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith of him, Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile! (AV)

When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, “Here is true Israeliet, in whom there is nothing false.” (NIV)

The NASB for a change part company with this group of “scholars” and the NIV holds on to their motto of “Dare To Be Different” but of course this is not the same as what Jude tells us, *And of some have compassion, making a difference* (Jude 1:22). If they are ever compassionate, they will not make Bible memorization impossible for the child of God by making unnecessary changes to the Holy Bible.

2 Corinthians 12:16

But be it so, I did not burden you: nevertheless, being crafty, I caught you with guile. (AV)

Be that as it may, I have not been a burden to you. Yet, crafty fellow that I am, I caught you by trickery! (NIV)

But be that as it may, I did not burden you myself; nevertheless, crafty fellow that I am, I took you in by deceit. (NASB)

We can see that the “scholars” still refuse to acknowledge that being crafty is part of the character of the word “guile” and their fear of this word is rather amusing. Perhaps, they are plagued with Acute Guild Depression Syndrome for their work of infidelity and labor of scorn!

1 Thessalonians 2:3

For our exhortation was not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile: (AV)

For the appeal we make does not spring from error or impure motives, nor are we trying to trick you. (NIV)

For our exhortation does not come from error or impurity or by way of deceit; (NASB)

Well, the translators of the Authorized Version is telling us that there is a difference between the word “deceit” and the word “guile” and the “scholars” panic to find suitable replacement and each one finds cover for his own but their trouble for having messed around with the true and pure words of the living God is exposed for all to behold.

1 Peter 2:1

Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, (AV)

Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. (NIV)

The translators of the NIV are severe sufferers of Acute Guild Depression Syndrome and they require professional help. The translators of the NASB have recovered somewhat for occasionally disagreeing with the NIV.

1 Peter 3:10

For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: (AV)

For, "Whoever would love life and see good days must keep his tongue from evil and his lips from deceitful speech. (NIV)

When the words in the Authorized King James Bible are so clear and simple, there is no need to consult any "scholars" anytime of the day. Especially when the child of God has the Holy Spirit in him to lead and guide him into all truth, we can tell these "scholars" to hit the road and don't come back.

Revelation 14:5

And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God. (AV)

No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless. (NIV)

And no lie was found in their mouth; they are blameless. (NASB)

So we conclude that these "scholars" are simply too simplistic to think that the word "guile" is very restrictive in its application. They are found to avoid using this word like a plague for reasons best known to them. Similarly, the word "beguile" and "beguiled" are also replaced with other words in the Holy Bible. Are they having a conscience problem for what they are doing to the Holy Bible? It was Satan who first beguiled Eve and the apostle Paul also warned the Christians on the mode of deception adopted by the enemies of the cross, *And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words* (Colossians 2:4). Concerning this verse, the NIV has this to say, "*I tell you this so that no-one may deceive you by fine-sounding arguments*" while the NASB tells us, "*I say this in order that no one may delude you with persuasive argument.*"

Now we know that they are very worried that there will be fine-sounding and persuasive arguments to show that the Authorized King James Bible is the perfect, inerrant and inspired words of the living God. They are warning people not to be deceived while they removed many simple words

from the Authorized Version with their enticing words. Where is the compelling evidence to show that the verses discussed here are difficult to understand? Are the “scholars” guilty of beguiling the Christians with enticing words? Is this the reason why the word “guile” is never used in the verses discussed here? It does not need a person with a PhD in English literature to figure out what is going on. This is a real spiritual warfare going on and its modus operandi is guile and we see this operation in action very early in the Holy Bible in Genesis 3 that describes the fall of man in the Garden of Eden. The children of disobedient are currently operating in full swing to replace the Authorized King James Bible with their English Bibles not in open deception but by guile to deceive the gullible.

After looking at a number of words that are not archaic but are rather simple words which are still commonly in used today, we have seen the “scholars” giving their expert opinions and they have made unnecessary changes to these words where there is absolutely no ground to do so whatsoever. This has resulted in making the Scriptures contradicting each other in many places and at times, some of their verses do not even make sense at all! The spiritual insights of these “scholars” are so shallow that they have made themselves a laughing stock as Bible translators and spiritual giants of faith. Their godliness and integrity that were supposedly beyond reproach turned out to be a fraud when they deliberately made changes to the Bible when those verses expose their infidelity in the pure and inspired words of the living God.

As such, they have no idea on how God gives His words to His people and their main objectives are to replace as many words from the Authorized King James Bible as possible to show that they are indeed “scholars” that are capable of judging what are God’s words and what are not. So when the Lord revealed His attitude concerning revelation of His words in Numbers 12:8, they scramble to change “dark speeches” to “riddles.” Let us take a look at this verse.

With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches; and the similitude of the LORD shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against my servant Moses? (AV)

With him I speak face to face, clearly and not in riddles; he sees the form of the LORD. Why then were you not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?” (NIV)

The Lord told the children of Israel that He will not speak to Moses in dark speeches but He does speak in dark speeches to others. The “scholars” think that dark speeches are really too obscured and the common men cannot figure out what are dark speeches so they changed it to riddles instead. These “experts” are telling us that the Lord speaks in riddles as to make His people guess what He is saying and at the end they will get a reward if they can give the right answer. Are they implying that the translators of the Authorized Version did not know what they were doing when they translated “dark speeches” instead of “riddles”? Are they saying that the translators of the Authorized Version did not know when to translate the word “riddle”? In fact the word “riddle” has been used eight times in the book of Judges

when Samson gave the Philistines a riddle to guess concerning the honey found in the carcass of a lion and he even promised them a reward for the right answer.

The word “riddle” is also used one more time in Ezekiel 17:2, *Son of man, put forth a riddle, and speak a parable unto the house of Israel.* When a riddle is given, an answer is solicited which is given in Ezekiel 17:12, *Say now to the rebellious house, Know ye not what these things mean? tell them, Behold, the king of Babylon is come to Jerusalem, and hath taken the king thereof, and the princes thereof, and led them with him to Babylon.* So what do you think the translators of the NIV will do in this case? They change the riddle into an allegory. What is the problem with the word “riddle” this time? Is it because it is archaic? Or is it because it is inaccurate? Does the translators of the Authorized Version know what is an allegory? Of course they do. This word is mention in Galatians 4:24, *Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar.* Certainly the word “allegory” cannot be an archaic word this time as the NIV is also using it but lo and behold, it must be replaced too! The NIV says it should be “figuratively” and allegory has suddenly become archaic. We can see that the objective of these “scholars” is to replace as many words from the Authorized Version as possible when there is actually no need to do so.

It is obvious that the “scholars” cannot understand dark speeches which are ideally meant for them who have lifted themselves above the words of the living God. They are very nervous whenever they see dark speeches and dark saying or sayings appearing in the pages of the Holy Bible. Therefore, they must be changed with immediate effect, as they do not want to be kept in the dark. Let us take a look what they do when they are not given the wisdom to understand God’s pure and holy words in the Authorized Version.

Psalm 49:4

I will incline mine ear to a parable: I will open my dark saying upon the harp. (AV)

I will turn my ear to a proverb; with the harp I will expound my riddle: (NIV)

So dark saying is changed to a riddle. We thought a riddle is given out for others to guess! Why is a riddle being expounded? Since when a parable is a proverb! Infidelity is a very contagious disease!

Psalm 78:2

I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old: (AV)

I will utter hidden things, things from of old – (NIV)

The “scholars” just simply cannot stand dark sayings. They want to be kept in the loop but they do not have a sound heart and a pure mind to be worthy recipients to understand dark sayings. So it is better to drop dark sayings because it would be too embarrassing for them when they cannot tell what dark sayings are all about.

Proverbs 1:6

To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings. (AV)

For understanding proverbs and parables, the savings and riddles of the wise. (NIV)

Dark sayings are out and riddles are fine. Riddles are the “in-things” these days. Let us tease one another with riddles and see who is smarter! Apparently, these Bible critics who do not have the light do not understand that what is obscured to some people are as clear as daylight to others. They do not believe that God is very subjective in imparting knowledge and understanding to His people. It depends very much on their spiritual state. Moses tells us that, *The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law* (Deuteronomy 29:29). God does revealed even secrets to His people but as for Bible critics, they do not hope to be part of this privilege group of people. The prophet Amos also confirmed this truth; *Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets* (Amos 3:7). Of course the NIV is once again babbling something else, *Surely the Sovereign LORD does nothing without revealing his plan to his servants the prophets* (NIV).

God only reveals plan to them but He reveals His secrets to us. We have a wonderful privilege that these “scholars” do not hope to enjoy.

The Psalmist also said in Psalm 25:14, *The secret of the LORD is with them that fear him; and he will show them his covenant.* It is obvious that the “scholars” are not in the inner circle as far as the secrets of the Lord are concerned and the translators of the NIV is confirming this fact; *The LORD confides in those who fear him; he makes his covenant known to them* (NIV). No secrets for these people as they cannot be trusted to handle secrets. They do not fear God and they have been changing God’s words according to their wimps and fancy. They are too childish and immature, spiritually speaking, and so they have to be excluded from this privileged position.

The prophet Daniel informed us that, *He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him* (Daniel 2:22). Daniel elaborated further in Daniel 2:28 & 29, *But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these; As for thee, O king, thy thoughts came into thy mind upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter: and he that revealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to pass.* This God who reveals secrets is very selective on the recipients of His secrets. Daniel is one such chosen vessel fit for the master’s use. Do you think these Bible critics qualify to receive secrets from the Lord?

Why then does the Lord speak in dark speeches and give dark sayings? The Psalmist tells us that, *He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies* (Psalm 18:11). Not only that, when the children of Israel heard the Lord speaking in person as recorded in Deuteronomy 5:23 & 24, *And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near unto me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders; And ye said, Behold, the LORD our God hath showed us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he liveth,* we are told that they heard His voice out of the midst of **darkness**. Hence, the Lord speaks to Moses face to face, but with

others, **dark speeches** and **dark sayings** are the norms that are spoken out of the **darkness**.

There is absolutely nothing wrong in the English language on “dark speeches” and “dark sayings” as they simply mean the message is obscured, which is intended to be that way. There is no need to change it to riddles and cause the meaning of the word “riddle” to suffer violence. God definitely does not speak in riddles to cause His people guess the intents of the original writers in the divine originals when they wrote! It is just a classical use of the word “dark” as an adjective to modify the noun of a word in the normal usage of the language. The word “dark” is also used in Daniel 8:23, *And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.* This shows that during the end time there will be this king that can understand things that are not understood by the common men. Of course, the “scholars” will find this intriguing and the words “dark sentences” must be changed to something else; *“In the latter part of their reign, when rebels have become completely wicked, a stern-faced king, a master of intrigue, will arise (NIV).*

But the Lord does not always speak in dark speeches and use dark sayings. This is made clear in Matthew 13:10 & 11, *And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables? He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.* The reason why the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven is not given to some people is found in Mark 4:10-12, *And when he was alone, they that were about him with the twelve asked of him the parable. And he said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto them that are without, all these things are done in parables: That seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and their sins should be forgiven them.* These are the people who have heard and seen what the Lord has done and yet they have rejected Him. The Lord has clearly promised to preserve His inspired words that transcend languages for every generation and these Bible critics have rejected this promise and do you reckon they can understand dark speeches and dark sayings? However, the Lord is ever merciful and kind to His people and for those who seek after Him and trust in Him, He will reveal to them His words for the Lord has said, *I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of*

Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: I the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that are right (Isaiah 45:19). Dark speeches and dark sayings are as clear as daylight to a Bible believer but for the Bible critics, they will continue to remain in the dark fooling each other with riddles.

By now we should leave no doubts in our mind what kind of people we are dealing with who have been convincing the world that the Authorized King James Bible needs a revision so that it will be more updated and easier to read and understand with the removal of those archaic words that we no longer use. We have observed that in many cases where the words are not only not archaic as claimed by these critics, but they are actually simple words and many times having only one syllable; they are however, replaced with more difficult words that sometimes require the aid of a dictionary in order to understand those words. Are we dealing with honest men who may be thinking that they are trying to make the world a better place by giving the world a better Bible? We have got hundreds of newest and latest English versions of Bibles flooding the market and the poor child of God is left in a lurch as to determine which one is actually the true word of the living God. At this juncture before we close our files on these “scholars,” we should examine what they thought about the issue of honesty given in the Authorized King James Bible. Of course, we should once again expect them to fall flat on their face because had they been honest, they would have left the words of the living God alone as there is actually nothing wrong with the Holy Bible!

Luke 8:15

But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.
(AV)

But the seed on the good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop.
(NIV)

Are they mistaken here thinking that noble is a better word than honest? Have they not read what the apostle Paul said about the noble in 1 Corinthians 1:26, ***For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called?*** Don't you think that this will make the Scriptures contradict in these two places? How can a person with a noble and good heart bring forth a good “crop” if not many noble are called? This is of course assuming that the noble will have a noble heart. It is a person with an honest and good heart will take heed to God's words. A person with a noble heart does not mean he has an honest heart. Is there any thing wrong with the word “honest”? Is

it a difficult word to understand? The translators of the Authorized Version have better sense than these “scholars” who apparently are afraid of this simple word “honest”! Have they been honest all this while?

Acts 6:3

Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. (AV)

Brothers, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them (NIV)

“But select from among you, brethren, seven men of good reputation, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may put in charge of this task. (NASB)

It is quite obvious when you are dealing with dishonest people. Those who have a problem with honesty will exhibit symptom of fear of being exposed for their dishonesty. What churches today really need are Christians of honest report and not as what these “scholars” suggested as people who are “known” or “men of good reputation.” Even people of the world are not so foolish as to believe in such nonsense. They will do their “due diligence” before making a decision on hiring a person or engaging the service of a person or a company. Base on hearsay is a dangerous decision-making technique, which is incongruent with proper risk management strategy to ensure the survival and profitability of a business. Do you expect the church of the living God to have a lower standard than the world? People who are well known or have good reputation do not mean that they are honest people. The service of the great King requires people that are honest and these people who have an honest and good heart will bring forth fruit with patience. Are the “scholars” getting it?

Romans 12:17

Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. (AV)

Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. (NIV)

Never pay back evil for evil to anyone. Respect what is right in the sight of all men. (NASB)

Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody but when they are not looking, a little bit of dishonesty is acceptable. Respect what is right in the sight of all men and by just respecting and you would have done your duty but you have not shown that you have been honest at all! How wonderful that we have all these English Bibles from the funny farms which provide a leeway to justify dishonesty when it is inconvenient to be honest! But the thrice Holy God requires the Christian to provide things **honest** in the sight of all men. “Respecting” and “been careful” like a spectator is no proof of honesty before God and men! Are the “scholars” trying to cover up dishonesty? Are the “scholars” honest men?

Romans 13:13

Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. (AV)

Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. (NIV)

Let us behave properly as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and sensuality, not in strife and jealousy. (NASB)

Behaving decently and properly are the standards that are acceptable to the “scholars union” and they are beyond questioning and accountability when dealing with the words of the living God is concerned. There is no final authority and there is no preserved inspired word of the living God. Therefore a lower standard in a Christian’s behavior is understandable and acceptable and they have the blessing of the “scholars” to continue in such conduct. Make no mistake, the God who can do no wrong expects a child of God to walk **honestly** if he wants to avoid trouble and obtain blessing from above. The “scholars” who are suffering from Acute Honesty Phobia will continue to fear the word “honest” whenever it shows up.

2 Corinthians 8:21

Providing for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men. (AV)

For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of men. (NIV)

[F]or we have regard for what is honorable, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men. (NASB)

Taking pain to do what is right can become extremely painful when honesty is involved. Taking pain to do what is right cannot guarantee what is being done is actually honest. Likewise regarding what is honorable does not imply honesty is been held in high regards. Honorable men are not necessarily honest men who can provide honest things before God and men. These Bible critics should pay a visit to the Auditor-General's Office or see a Fraud Examiner to learn something about "providing honest things" and stop talking nonsense about the Christian walk.

2 Corinthians 13:7

Now I pray to God that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates. (AV)

Now we pray to God that you will not do anything wrong. Not that people will see that we have stood the test but that you will do what is right even though we may seem to have failed. (NIV)

Now we pray to God that you do no wrong; not that we ourselves may appear approved, but that you may do what is right, even though we should appear unapproved. (NASB)

The "scholars" have conspired to do what is right, probably in their own eyes but doing what is honest is the furthest thing on their mind. Common sense would us tell that when one is doing what is honest will be doing what is right. However, doing what is right is not necessarily doing what is honest. The "scholars" are always getting it in the reverse. No wonder we hear about the Reverse Standard Version and the Reversion

Committee who are always getting into the reverse gear whenever they are faced with an honesty check before the inspired words of the living God.

Philippians 4:8

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. (AV)

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things. (NIV)

Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things. (NASB)

Things that are noble and things that are honorable are not the same as things that honest if these people are honest at all! Do the “scholars” ever come across such a word called “honest” at all? The translators of the NIV suggested that Christians should just think about the eight positive things. Thinking about them will be good enough. This is the very exacting high scholarship standards required by the “scholars” among their peers of the scholarly community. But the Holy Bible tells the Christians to **think on** these eight positive things if you want to have good mental and spiritual health. To **think on** things requires mental focus and not a cursory glance to think about something. No wonder these “scholars” cannot think straight and have mistaken nobility as honesty!

1 Thessalonians 4:12

That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing. (AV)

[S]o that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody. (NIV)

[S]o that you may behave properly toward outsiders and not be in any need. (NASB)

Winning respect of outsiders is of paramount importance as far as the translators of the NIV are concerned. Nothing is being said about honesty. By hook or by crook, if you can win the respect of outsiders, you will not have to be dependent on anybody. Reading the daily newspapers would have as much if not more of such wisdom of the world. Why spent money on the NIV? The newspapers are the most updated and relevant versions of what is happening in the world today. The NIV is certainly becoming more archaic as the days go by. When will the translators of the NIV be honest about giving the common men a more updated and readable Bible?

There are people who behave properly are sacked from their job when they are found to be behaving dishonestly and they are in dire need. Behaving oneself properly toward outsiders is only an outward form and is not necessarily motivated by inward piety. On the other hand, walking honestly must come from the heart; otherwise, the walk would be dishonest and it becomes an outward expression to fool others into believing one is actually honest; this is called hypocrisy. When a person is behaving properly, it does not mean he is completely honest. If the Bible critics are honest, they will concede that this is a true observation. If the “scholars” lack understanding on this matter, they should talk to a used car salesman and get an education.

1 Timothy 2:2

For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. (AV)

[F]or kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. (NIV)

[F]or kings and all who are in authority, in order that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. (NASB)

The “scholars” think that they are walking on cloud nine! They can indeed dream on. To expect to live in holiness and dignity without honesty is pipe dream. The translators of the NIV think that they can live in holiness with their dishonest and unholy version while the translators of the NASB

think that it is possible to live with dignity without honesty with their undignified version. The disease is progressing to crisis proportion. Soon we will have to declare a general alert against the Sever Acute Honesty Syndrome to warn others about this very contagious and dishonest virus that will plague Christendom by all these dishonest Bibles. We also notice that the translators of the NASB have a curious preference for the word “tranquil” and maybe the simple word “quiet” lacks sophistication and it is an embarrassment to the scholarly community.

Hebrews 13:18

Pray for us: for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly. (AV)

Pray for us. We are sure that we have a clear conscience and desire to live honourably in every way. (NIV)

Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a good conscience, desiring to conduct ourselves honorably in all things. (NASB)

You see, the “scholars” don’t mind living honorably but if you ask them to live honestly, they will panic and have a heart attack. They will throw their books at you accusing you for having “unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels about words” and “morbid interest in controversial questions and dispute about words” from 1 Timothy 6:4 according to their versions. We should not be surprised if these people fear ridicule more than death. No wonder the NIV had the captain of the fifties begging Elijah to have respect for his life and the others with him when fire came down and devoured the former captains and their fifties in 2 Kings 1:13 & 14. Make no mistake; the captain had more sense than these “scholars” when he begged Elijah to let his life and the rest to be precious in his sight. Are they willing to live **honestly**? Perhaps, they would rather live honorably lest they embarrass the scholarly community with their honesty.

1 Peter 2:12

Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. (AV)

Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us. (NIV)

Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may on account of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation. (NASB)

Do you think the word “honest” is ever in the vocabulary of these “scholars” who have gone through years and years of training and are now qualified to offer the common men a Bible that is most updated, easier to read and understand? To live among the Gentiles, you have to converse and so your conversation must be honest and above reproach. Living such good lives with excellent behavior is rather subjective because the acid test of such a life is honesty before God and men which is always missing in these corrupt Bibles put out by these dishonest men. So the conclusion of the whole matter here is that sufferers of Severe Acute Honesty Syndrome will not make mention of the word “honest” or “honesty” or even “honestly,” neither will they acknowledge there are such words in the English language in the passages discussed here. Is this the typical character defect that qualifies one to become a Bible “scholar” to give the world as many English Bibles that differ from the Authorized King James Bible as possible so that the child of God will no longer know which is the true and perfect inspired Bible that the Lord God has preserved for us today? Let us be brutally honest about this matter. The truth is not out there, it is found in the Authorized King James Bible.

Needless to say, we have gathered enough evidence to proof that the words of the Authorized King James Bible are not only not archaic as claimed by the Bible critics, they are actually very simple English words that are still extensively being used in our day and age. However, for no reason whatsoever, they have often been replaced with more sophisticated words that have more syllables by the “scholars” thinking that is the way forward to help the common men understand the Holy Bible. The Holy Bible is like a huge jigsaw puzzle and when these Bible critics flippantly change and remove words from the Bible, the Scriptures are made to contradict one another in many places and the original cross-references of words intended to bring out the actual meanings of those words have been lost. There are also times when these “experts” seeking to help the common men by making unnecessary changes in the Bible have resulted in verses that really make no sense and they indeed have made a fool out of themselves.

We also witness many occasions where the Bible deals with these Bible thieves and confronts them head on concerning their wicked works in corrupting the Bible, they desperately try to cover up their work of infidelity with ridiculous alterations. To illustrate this point, we consider what the apostle told the Christians in Corinth; ***For we are not as many, which corrupt the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ*** (2 Corinthians 2:17). Can anyone claim that this verse is full of archaic words that he cannot understand what the apostle Paul is saying here? It is so clear that there were Bible thieves during the days of Paul and in fact, the corruption of God’s words started very early back in the Garden of Eden. You reckon the “scholars” of the modern day English Bibles will leave this verse alone? We shall take a look at what they have to say on this matter. According to the NIV, the apostle Paul is saying this; ***Unlike so many, we do not peddle the word of God for profit. On the contrary, in Christ we speak before God with sincerity, like men sent from God.*** The NASB also follows the NIV here; ***For we are not like many, peddling the word of God, but as from sincerity, but as from God, we speak in Christ in the sight of God.***

It is so obvious that these people panic under the search light of God’s Holy words, which is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged 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. They are caught red handed in corrupting God’s pure and holy words and they are now put under the spotlight with all their wickedness exposed so

they have to scramble for some cover. Unfortunately, the more they try to cover up, the worse it becomes for they give themselves away by revealing that they fear to be called Bible peddlers. Ever wondered why all these modern Bibles are copyrighted? If they are men sent from God as claimed by the NIV, it will be the greatest joke of the century!

So there is an inbuilt fear and prejudice against certain words in the Authorized King James Bible by these “scholars” and they will seek ways and means to justify the removal or replacement of these words that threaten them. These people have set themselves up to be the final authority on the words of God and they can tell the people what the verses in the Bible should or should not say as they translate from the “divine originals” or original Greek and Hebrew texts. Obviously, they cannot claim that a translation can be the inspired, inerrant and infallible words of the living God. Most of these “scholars” will claim that only the original autographs are the inspired words of God. So as such, it is not surprising that the words “translate, translated and translation” are never found in their English versions. We shall examine the verses that contain these few words and no one with a sound mind will accuse these words to be archaic.

2 Samuel 3:10

To translate the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beersheba.
(AV)

[A]nd transfer the kingdom from the house of Saul and establish David’s throne over Israel and Judah from Dan to Beersheba. (NIV)

[T]o transfer the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to establish the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beersheba.” (NASB)

The word “translate” simply means to change from one form to another. So the kingdom of Saul was changed from Saul to David. Why is there such vehement objection from the “scholars” to remove and replace this word? The change of this kingdom is not simply a transfer of power as king Saul did not specifically make any provision for his succession and certainly did not nominate David as his successor. What is happening here both politically and socially is a complete transformation from one system of

governance to another in the form of an autocratic rule directly under God under the kingship of David because king Saul has rejected divine authority from Jehovah God when he reigned as king of Israel. A complete change must take place; otherwise, the kingdom of David would be no different from that of king Saul who constantly rebelled against the words of the Lord.

Colossians 1:13

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: (AV)

For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, (NIV)

For He delivered us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, (NASB)

The apostle Paul tells us that we have been translated from the power of darkness into the kingdom of God's dear Son. However, the linguistic "experts" are telling us that this dramatic event of the new birth is just a move by the use of the words "brought" and "transferred." The implication is very serious because the new birth of a sinner in Christ is not simply a transfer from one state to another but a change, a spiritual birth, has taken place without which, this "move" from one state to another is impossible. To give an illustration, we can say that water in liquid state is translated into gaseous state because a complete transformation has taken place. It would be foolish and inaccurate to say that water is moved or transferred from liquid state to gaseous state as far as the normal usage of the English language is concerned. So translation involves the process of a conversion or a change of form or state whereas a transfer does not involve any change or transformation.

Hebrews 11:5

By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. (AV)

By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death; he could not be found, because God has taken him away. For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God. (NIV)

By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death; and he was not found because God took him up; for he obtained the witness that before his being taken up he was pleasing to God. (NASB)

Here we witness how the word “translated” is clarified as discussed previously. Enoch was obviously taken from earth to heaven and there is no quarrel about this issue. However, is it all that has taken place or is it accurate and complete to say that Enoch was taken to heaven? Can Enoch appear before Almighty God in the same state as he was before he was taken to heaven? What kind of body does Enoch possess now? Did the “scholars” ever read the Scriptures to know that flesh and blood shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Did they read what the apostle Paul say about this thrice Holy God; *Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen* (1 Timothy 6:16)? Did they also miss what Jehovah God told Moses when he asked to see God’s glory? *And he said, I beseech thee, show me thy glory. And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live* (Exodus 33:18-20).

So was Enoch translated or was he simply taken up? Did a translation indeed take place? If these “scholars” lack common sense, they should be airlifted from sea level up to the top of Mount Everest and be left there and see if they could survive for an hour? Even mountaineers have more sense when they rest in base camp for weeks to allow their bodies to acclimatize to high altitude before they scale the mountain. The English language the translators of the Authorized Versions used is not only more superior than the “scholars” of our days, but they are light years ahead of them and they are able give the common men advanced knowledge that is not found in our “experts” today. Therefore, the words “translate, translated and translation” are very positive words to signify that a change has taken place into something even much better beyond human understanding. So can Almighty God preserve His inspired words in a translation? Are the words

in the Authorized Version given by inspiration? Now let us take a look at what the “experts” think about words “inspiration” and “inspired” used in the Authorized King James Bible. Anyone claiming that these two words are archaic is simply dishonest to the core.

Job 32:8

But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding. (AV)

But it is the spirit in man, the breath of the Almighty, that gives him understanding. (NIV)

“But it is a spirit in man, And the breath of the Almighty gives them understanding. (NASB)

What is wrong with the word “inspiration” in this instance? Is it because these linguistic “experts” cannot find the common usage of this word? An artist needs inspiration to draw a beautiful picture. A writer needs to draw inspiration from somewhere to enable him to write. An entrepreneur gets inspiration from ideas or people to develop a product or a service that revolutionize the industry. These “scholars” gets inspiration from an evil heart of unbelief in the words of the living God to offer to change these words to soothe their conscience to avoid having to face what the Lord has said against them. So where is the need to change to “breath” when the language used is so obvious and clear to the common men?

2 Timothy 3:16

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: (AV)

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, (NIV)

All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; (NASB)

Here is the case that these “scholars” have to confront concerning the inspiration of the words of God. Are all the words in the Authorized King

James Bible Scriptures? If not, then change them to become more like the Scriptures like what these “scholars” are trying to do and there is still no end in sight when these Scriptures are finally ready in one book as far as we know. If the answer is affirmative and the words in the Authorized Version are indeed Scriptures, then they are given by the inspiration of God. Can we ask the same question for these modern Bibles? Of course we can? Are the words in the modern Bibles given by inspiration of God? Yes, but only some of them! Why? Because many of the words have been changed and removed when there is no basis to do so! The NIV says that the word “inspiration” is maybe not accurate or confusing so they change it to “God-breathed” instead. So we have foolish men continue to regurgitate what they have been taught by men in Bible colleges and seminaries that all Scriptures are “God-breathed” and they run and hide behind the original autographs swearing allegiance to such records where no one on earth possesses nor has anyone seen them. Interestingly, the NASB says that Scriptures are inspired by God rather than being “God-breathed.” So much for solidarity among the “scholars’ union” seeking to give the English-speaking world a better and more perfect English Bible.

Of course we can go on and on to discuss all the changes made to the Authorized Version by these “experts” in their fields but we have examined enough evidence to conclude that the words in the Authorized Version are indeed not archaic nor are they difficult to read and understand. The changes made by these “scholars” have made Scriptures memorization almost impossible as more and more different English versions are hitting the market as we discuss this issue on the final authority of the words of the living God. Perhaps, the only “positive” contribution make by the NIV in Bible memorization is their advanced revelation found in their verses as follows:

Matthew 17:21, 18:11, 23:14; Mark 7:16, 9:44, 46, 11:26, 15:28; Luke 17:36, 23:17, John 5:4; Acts 8:37, 15:34, 24:7, 28:29; Romans 16:24; 1 John 5:7.

Indeed the perfect Bible has arrived. The common men can now take less than ten minutes to memorize those verses above! Unless the English reader is blind, the success rate is an ironclad one hundred percent money back guarantee. Why is that so? It is because those verses are not found in the NIV! The NASB likewise also make very significant contribution in this regards by removing most of these verses and suggesting that some of them

should not be found in the Holy Bible. So is the Authorized King James Bible really archaic and the common men cannot understand its contents? Let us consider something more frightening in the production of the modern Bibles to convince ourselves that giving the common men a simple English Bible is not really the objective of these “scholars” but there is a plot more sinister and more evasive that escapes the scrutiny of the public.

Isaiah 14:12

*How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning!
how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!*
(AV)

*How you have fallen from heaven, O morning star, son of the dawn!
You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations!*
(NIV)

*“How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of
the dawn! You have been cut down to earth, You have weakened the
nations!”* (NASB)

Where is Lucifer in the NIV and NASB? They fail to translate again? The name “Lucifer” appears only one time in the entire Bible that reveals to the Bible believers the name of Satan before his fall. The “scholars” not only miss it but a more diabolical scheme is hatched to replace this name of Satan with another person, the morning star! According to Revelation 22:16, *I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star*, we know that the morning star is the Lord Jesus Christ. So the fall of Lucifer is covered up and the morning star is now the “Fall Guy” in place of Satan. Is it that the “experts” simply lack spiritual knowledge and linguistic skills? To suggest or even to hint that the Lord Jesus Christ is the actual person mentioned in Isaiah 14:12 is absolute blasphemy in the highest order and this is no understatement.

So the claim that the Authorized King James Bible is actually archaic and the common men are having difficulty understanding the Scriptures from this Holy Bible is not the real issue at all but it is unmistakably a smoke screen employed to divert attention in the more insidious work of wickedness behind the scene that produces these modern English Bibles to

obscure and cover up the truth from the Bible believers. The translators that produce these modern Bibles may or may not knowingly be involved in such a scheme. We are told that it is the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience (Ephesians 2:2) who are actually in control of the hearts and minds of many people. Anyone can fall into this category of children of disobedience; especially those lifted up in pride trusting in their fallen mind and indoctrinated by the wisdom of this world will undoubtedly become worthy candidates to serve this master of darkness, the king of the children of pride.

Some may still argue that there are actually certain words in the Authorized Version that are hard to understand! But does that justify the production of all these Bible perversions? Is inability to understand the Holy Bible something new? Why not listen to the apostle Peter on what he has to say on this matter? We are told, *As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction* (2 Peter 3:16). Are the seekers of Bible truths sincere? King Solomon has this to say about those who are not sincere seekers of wisdom in Proverbs 18:1 & 2, *Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh and intermeddleth with all wisdom. A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.* Are these “experts” who are involved in the translation of the modern Bibles guilty of this charge of folly?

It is common to find Christians who have been using modern English Bibles for many years entering into a state of denial when confronted with this truth! Just for a few archaic words that they claim they cannot understand from the Authorized Version, they will continue to hold on to the defective modern English Bibles. It is questionable indeed that most Christians really want to know everything about God and seek to find out all the spiritual truths from the Bible. There are more than sufficient truths where the child of God can really read and understand. The question is whether he will obey those truths already revealed to him. Many times, the Lord will not reveal certain truths to the child of God when he is not ready or when he is not walking uprightly with God. So when we cannot understand certain portions of the Scriptures, it is good to have a spiritual health check on our heart and motives for what we want from the Lord. There is really no hurry to know everything from the Bible for one day we

shall know everything when we reach the other side of Jordan when we see our blessed Savior face to face.

It is really not so much of how much we want to know and learn from the Holy Bible; it is rather how much we are prepared to be obedient to what God has revealed to us on a daily basis. The author being a Chinese where English is not his native language does not have any problem with reading and understanding the Authorized King James Bible not because he has mastered the language but because of his faith in the God who reveals secrets to His servants. This does not imply that the author knows and understands everything in the Holy Bible but there are always so much more to learn that it is only whether we will avail ourselves to the Lord, whose Holy Spirit will guide us into all truths. So are we worthy vessels to receive spiritual truths from the Lord?

There are also others who still think that in order to know the real truths from the Bible, one must refer back to the Greek and Hebrew texts to find out their actual meanings. If that is really the case, why should the word of God be translated into any other languages in the first place? Besides, it will imply that the Scriptures have been imperfectly or wrongly translated and as such, we have witnessed the proliferation of modern English Bibles in our day basing on this main reason of “enhancing” the Scriptures for the common men. If true spiritual truths are only available in the original Biblical languages, we should all be speaking and writing in Greek and Hebrew lest we misrepresent God and misinterpret God’s words and God’s perfect will for us.

Furthermore in Proverbs 1:23, ***Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you,*** we are told that it is the Lord who will make known His words to us and not the linguistic “experts” or Bible “scholars” or through the use of the lexicons to choose a variety of different meanings from the Greek and Hebrew words that could be translated into English that we will be made known the words of God. Still refuse to face up to this spiritual reality that it is the Lord who will teach His people spiritual truths? Accordingly to king Solomon, we are asked by the Lord, ***Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge, That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee?*** (Proverbs 22:20 & 21) Do you still have doubts in your mind whether God has written to us excellent things in counsels and knowledge and to

make us know the certainty of the words of truth even in a translation? Do you need to consult anyone whether they are linguistic experts or scholars or even check a lexicon to understand what the Lord has just asked? The real issue is not really whether we can or cannot understand the Bible. It is whether or not we want to believe what God has said in the Holy Bible!

The Holy Bible cannot be treated like any other ordinary book written by fallen men. To seek to know Bible truths, one must approach the Holy Bible with humility and with Bible believing faith in a God who is mighty to preserve His inspired, inerrant and infallible words in any languages He chooses to give to His people at any point in time in history. Without which, no man can hope to know for sure whether what he is reading is actually the words of the living God and even John 3:16 must be treated with suspicion if Scriptures in a translation cannot be given by inspiration of God. Our comfort is that God who gave men languages is able and willing to give His people His pure words without error in any languages He sees fit.

Therefore, we should take heed that, ***Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar*** (Proverbs 30:5 & 6). No amount of searching of these words from any lexicons will make this verse any clearer. Let us be brutally honest as we conclude this discussion on the preservation of God's inspired words in a translation. Are you prepared to take God's words at face value and believe what God has said with all the evidence shown from the pages of the Holy Bible? The apostle Paul gave instruction to Timothy that, ***Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine*** (1 Timothy 4:13). We must have the pure inspired, inerrant and infallible words of the living God in order to give attendance to reading, to exhortation and to doctrine. May the Lord give you a Bible believing heart and bless you in the reading of God's Holy words, which are able to make you wise unto salvation through faith, which is in Christ Jesus!

If the Lord has shown you this truth that the Authorized King James Bible is indeed the inspired words of the living God preserved in the English language for the English-speaking world and you wish to contact the author, you may write to him at charles@kjv-asia.com