# **Fake News Bibles**

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## Matthew 5:15-18

"Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled."

## **Matthew 13:25**

"But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. Matthew 13:39 tells us; The enemy that sowed them is the devil"

There's a saying, something like this: "As the church goes, so goes society." We have seen the rapid decline of America, most notably in the last 8 years, and have been catapulted philosophically and ideologically into the realm of the absurd and irrational. We have gone from a nation once blessed, with much light, "a shining city on a hill", as Ronald Reagan described us, to what, as Job said in Job 12:25- They grope in the dark **without light**, and he maketh them to stagger like a drunken man.

I believe this downward spiral of our once great nation is inextricably linked to the watering down of our Authority, our Standard, and our Light. That Standard for English speaking people for over 400 years has been the King James Bible. With each new version that rolls off the press, seeds of doubt and confusion are planted. With over 200 English bible versions and New Testaments out, which one is God's Word? Where there is no authority, or lack of definition of authority, anarchy rules. We are now witnessing a prelude of the Restrainer being "taken out of the way" (2 Thess 2:7). The Restrainer exercises His authority through God's Words and God's Church (1 Tim 3:15). In this day of great apostasy, Satan has buried God's preserved words somewhere under the mass of confusion that the multiplicity of perversions has produced. Many Christians have accepted these perversions in place of God's preserved words once delivered to His saints. They have lost their foundation, their anchor, and their vision.

#### Proverbs 29:18

"Where there is **no vision**, **the people cast off restraint**; But he that **keepeth** the law, happy is he."

That word-("*Keepeth*" Strong's 8104 רַמ, ש **shâmar:** to hedge about (as with thorns), i.e. guard; generally, to protect, observe, preserve.)

That is what we at the DBS endeavor to do. To keep God's preserved words. Throughout history, God has always had a remnant tenaciously maintaining the Truth, and exposing that which is against the Truth, such as the case with modern versions today.

These books are pawned off to us under the cover of a book identified as "**The** Holy Bible". Problem is, they differ amongst themselves, by necessity of adherence to copyright laws, differing translating techniques, divergent ecumenical translation committees, and the use of different source texts and manuscripts. They differ amongst themselves, though insignificantly, compared to their immense differences from the King James Bible.

Gordon Fee, who's no friend of the KJB/TR, stated:

"The contemporary translations as a group have one thing in common: they tend to agree **against** the King James Bible . . . in omitting hundreds of words, phrases, and verses"

The scholars and textual critics today have a huge interest in convincing folks their versions are superior to the KJB."

The "**methods**" that they use to convince us, so that they can call their books "**The** Holy Bible", are deception, duplicity, and disinformation, all causing doubt in One Bible. The dialectic **method** is employed to convince people of their specious arguments for these false versions, very much like the Fake News that is passed off to us as journalism. We get the word "method" from the Greek;  $\mu\epsilon\theta$ o $\delta\epsilon$   $\alpha$  **methodeía.** That word,  $\mu\epsilon\theta$ o $\delta\epsilon$   $\alpha$ , is translated once in the New Testament.

In **Ephesians 6:11**, the Lord tells us through the pen of the Apostle Paul, "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the **wiles** of the devil."

The word "wiles" is the translation of  $\mu\epsilon\theta$ o $\delta\epsilon$   $\alpha$ , or methods.

#### 2 Corinthians 2:11 tells us to beware,

"Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices."

These wiles and devices are employed mainly by those professing to be Christians. While some of these folks may be genuine Christians, they are deceived, working side by side with infidels, and false teachers. The warnings in the Bible against false teachers take up a significant portion of our Bible. The Apostles warned that they are "among us"; The Apostle Paul wrote in:

#### Acts 20:29

"For I know this, that after my departing shall **grievous wolves** enter in **among you**, not sparing the flock."

#### And in 2 Peter 2:1:

"But there were **false prophets** also among the people, even as there shall be **false teachers among you**, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even **denying the Lord** that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction."

What amazes me about these folks, textual critics who give us these fake bibles, is that they are seemingly oblivious to the wiles and devices of the enemy, Satan.

They completely ignore that Satan has been vigorously active in the corruption of God's words. Starting with the watershed revision of the King James Bible, the English Revised Version (ESV) of 1881-85, **every** translating committee has had infidels, and/or liberal theologians of all sorts working side by side with them. Do they not know that "a **little leaven leaventh the whole lump?**" What do you think their end result "bible" will be from a translating committee that employs Unitarians, Roman Catholics, Jews, and even homosexuals? I would call it satanic. The NIV had 2 known sodomites on their editorial committee, Virginia Mollenkodt and Martin Woudstra.

They obviously have not read or could care less of the admonition of the Lord uttered by the Apostle in **2 Corinthians 6:14-15:** 

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?"

The foundation of their thesis for giving us "new" translations is that God did not preserve His very WORDS, just His ideas, or general message, and that by naturalistic scientific **methods**, they may eventually come close to restoring what God has lost. Hence, that message is subjective to each individual's interpretation of what they think the original message said. It is subject to change without regard to the Author's intent. The ERV was heavily influenced by two men, B.F. Westcott and F.J.A. Hort, who thought of God's preserved words as "vile", and "villainous". They despised the Received Text and the KJB. Modern day textual critic Bruce Metzger, now deceased editor of the UBS Critical Greek Text, which is the starting point for almost all the modern perversions, called the Received Text "debased" and "disfigured."

These men took no heed to the LORD's warnings in: Luke 9:26

"For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels."

Nor do they heed the warnings in the Old Testament in **Proverbs 13:13**"Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment shall be rewarded."

From Westcott and Hort, to Bruce Metger and Kurt Aland, to Daniel Wallace and James White, are spawned multiple modern perversions that DIFFER tremendously with the KJB. They differ in words, and they differ in doctrine. Things that are different are not the same.

Which bible do we pick? God is not the Author of confusion. God is the Author of One; Satan is the author of the other.

The Critical Text underlying the modern versions is **different** than the Received Text underlying the KJB. I can't mention that enough.

This is a "text issue". The differences in the New Testament between the Greek Received Text that underlies the KJB and the Nestle-Aland/UBS Greek text that underlies the modern versions are over 8000 differences as recorded by Dr. Jack Moorman. He describes these differences as "variation units" which may consist of;

variations in:

- -spelling of a word
- -substitution by different words
- -interchange of the same words in a sentence
- -frequently, the removal of words
- -at times, the addition of words. Change, add, and subtract.

With all these noted changes, additions and subtractions, one text of Scripture immediately comes to mind: **Revelation 22:18-19** 

"For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book."

The difference of the Critical Text amounts to 2886 less Greek words than the Received Text, which amounts to the about the same amount of words found in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter.

These differences affect 356 doctrinal passages. I would care to say they probably affect many more.

Once the translators get done with their modern versions, the changes are massive. The NIV has over 64,000 less words than the KJB. The doctrinal changes are thousands. Yet, **scholars** tell us the changes affect no major doctrine.

What we must remember, is that **their changes are not overtly conspicuous**. The devil does not work that way. We are told:

"the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made . . ." (Genesis 3:1)

"But I fear, lest by any means, as the **serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty**, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ . . . And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light." (Gen 3:1, 2 Cor 11:3,14).

When the RSV came out in 1952, they were a little too bold when they changed the prophetic passage in Isaiah 7:14 from "virgin", as it is written in the KJB, to a "young woman". People were

in an uproar. They changed that back to virgin in later modern versions lest sales would plummet, but they had revealed their hand. They were pushing the Gnosticism found in the Alexandrian text types that deny the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Howard Bamford, Pastor Emeritus at Eggemoggin Baptist Church(of whom I will quote later on) said this, of fake bibles:

"A counterfeit must approximate the truth to be effective, and any reference to the real Jesus can be used to cause one to unwittingly give credence to the counterfeit" (X2) . . . The modern versions give credence to "another" Jesus!"

We are warned about "another Jesus" in 2 Corinthians 11:4

"For if he that cometh preacheth **another Jesus**, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him."

The end result of these fake bibles that are ever changing is "another Jesus."

Another statement I've read before said:

"The denial of a scheme wholesale is not heresy, and has not the creative power of heresy. It is of the essence of heresy that it leaves standing a great part of the structure it attacks. On this account it can appeal to believers and continues to affect their lives through deflecting them from their original characters. Wherefore, it is said of heresies that "they survive by the truths they retain." (Hilaire Belloc)

He should know a thing or two about heresy. He was a socialist RCC.

Charles H. Spurgeon said:

"The approved method of the carnival of unbelief is not to reject the Bible altogether, but to raise doubts as to portions of it"

The modern versions are truth mingled with error.

Every year, we at the DBS come up here and document the changes and their effect on doctrine. We hope to drive the point home that the modern versions are different from the KJB, and the differences between them are irreconcilable.

The history of counterfeiting God's Words started long ago in the Garden. Satan was the original fake news critic when he uttered "Yea, hath God said?"

I'm now going to read a portion from an excellent booklet by Pastor Howard Bamford entitled "The Inherent Testimony of the Word of God Itself". This is an excellent analogy from Scripture of the assessment of the textual critics that have forsaken God's words for the words of men under the sway of Satan. He follows the source of corruption, Satan, and his methods of watering down God's words, using examples from Genesis to Revelation. He demonstrates how the LORD uses His faithful servants, most always the few, to keep and preserve His words. These examples are for our admonition.

From Pastor Bamford's booklet, "The Inherent Testimony To The Word Of God Itself": He uses Jude as his starting text, and illustrates The Present Apostasy Prophesied Before the Flood, by Enoch.

Enoch learned firsthand of what happened at Eden , then prophesied of the "certain men" of Jude's epistle and the deception that would parallel that of Eden just prior to the Lord's return to this earth to reign."

#### "GENESIS, THE SEED PLOT OF SCRIPTURE

In Genesis 3, we find Satan speaking to Eve and asking, "Yea, hath God said? . . ." Eve, not seeing the trap, immediately took the bait. Rather than being concerned with **who** was speaking, she concerned herself with **what** was being said (even as the general practice is today). In Genesis 3, Satan attributes what he says to God (Heb. Elohim): the bait was placed.

God (Elohim) is the name used of our Creator God in Genesis 1:1 to show primarily His infinite power, though other things are implied in the name "Elohim". In Genesis 2:4ff with the special account of the creation of man, the name of the LORD (capital L.O.R.D.: Jehovah) is used in conjunction with God-Elohim-('Jehovah Elohim'). Jehovah is the name that reveals the personality and moral attributes of our Triune God; and it is used consistently in Genesis 2:4ff with the creation of man, of the placing of man in the Garden, of the permission and prohibition concerning the fruit of the trees of the garden, and of the consequences of eating of the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. Jehovah is the name whereby God reveals Himself in the Old Testament so many times, and finally in the person of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord (Jehovah, Jehoshua, Joshua, Jesus). Satan, then, deleted the name of Jehovah (Jesus) in Genesis 3 and began a full frontal attack on the Person and Work of our Creator-Redeemer.

The bait was taken. Satan's words in Genesis 3 are not a "translation" of Genesis 2; they are a counterfeit. The origin is not Heaven, it is Hell. The trap was sprung; **Eve supposed that a personal relationship with God was possible apart from Jehovah (Jesus)**; she, then Adam, set themselves up as God, and ate of the forbidden fruit. Sin entered; man fell from grace: Satan's deception was successful. The author of "Yea, hath God said?" is not God; it is Satan. It is not for the glory and honor of God, but for the dishonor and disgrace of the One Whom Satan saw our first parents worshipping. Neither was it for the good and blessing of man as was the provision of the LORD God, but it was intended for the death and destruction of man, AND IT WORKED! Satan is "wise" enough with a trap like that to reserve it for further use, even as Jude told us he would in our end time "versions" that deny "the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ" (Jude 4). Also we find in Genesis 3 many other parallels to our Laodicean Age, such as Eve sitting in judgment as to which "Scripture" was correct; making her own translation; Satan adding his "translation"; and the consequent multiple versions.

Here too is an evolutionary concept: looking for a "perfect Bible" to emerge from the Satanic counterfeits when God has already spoken. Here we find the desire to be rid of a God Who commands and determines consequences as in Genesis 2, and yet to maintain a "form of godliness" as in the present Laodicean age with its multiplied new versions. Here we find the "strange power" of the "new version" so captivating Eve that what the LORD God said in Genesis 2 is given absolutely no consideration until after the fall when "they (Adam and Eve) heard the voice of the LORD God" as they walked in the cool of the day (Genesis 3:8).

To presume a union with our Creator apart from that of the personal relationship provided in the LORD God (Jehovah Elohim) of Genesis 2 is to "deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ"; it is to deny the incarnation; it is to settle for less than a divine Christ as in Greek Gnosticism and preserved in the Alexandrian Manuscripts; it is to take the bait, to step into the same trap as Eve did and it can only lead to the same result: God's judgment. Apart from provision for restoration in the God-man, Jesus Christ, at Calvary's cross, it leads to a Christless eternity... God has spoken, and what He has spoken gives clear testimony to Himself: anything and everything pretending to have God as its source is seen for what it is, a counterfeit...What we now know as the TR/KJV finds its source as God spoke to our first parents in Genesis 2-3. Satan's counterfeit of Genesis 3 finds its written expression in modern versions, (*or*) more correctly, 'Satanic versions.' The written Word and the Living Word are one and the same; Jehovah was deleted from God's Word, and in so doing, the Person of Christ was removed. Only in the Received Text is the Lord Jesus Christ presented accurately from cover to cover."

Pastor Bamford reminds us through of the admonition of Scripture that with the wholesale repudiation of God's preserved words and the acceptance of the Alexandrian Gnostic text perversions by the Laodicean Church of this age, the return of the Lord draweth nigh. He's at the door!

The deity of our Lord Jesus Christ is **fully** presented only in God's preserved words. The KJB is fully representative of all those words. The granddaddy of the modern versions in America, the ASV of 1901, the American counterpart to the Westcott and Hort English Revision tells us what they think of the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ. In John 9, after Jesus had healed the blind man, the Pharisees had cast him out, cut him off from the congregation, and anathematized him for stating that Jesus was from God.

## John 9:35-38 (from the KJB)

"Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God? He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him? And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee. (38) And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him."

John 9:38 is worded the same in the ASV as in the KJB, it's written, "And he said, Lord, I believe. And he **worshipped** him." This act of worship showed that this man recognized that Jesus was not only from God, but was fully God manifest in the flesh.

The ASV has a Footnote in John 9:38 that says;

"The Greek word denotes an act of **reverence**, whether **paid to a <u>creature</u>** (as here) or to the Creator."

The ASV translating committee had 2 Unitarians on the committee. Unitarians are modern day Gnostics. They deny the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. The text underlying the ASV is the same Westcott + Hort text that was used for the ERV. That text is the basis for the NA/UBS text that underlies the modern versions. It is also the text used by the Jehovah's Witnesses for their New World Translation. The deity of our Lord Jesus Christ is compromised in all the modern versions.

Jesus as Creator is denied in the fake bibles

## In the KJB Eph 3:9

"And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things **by Jesus Christ**."

## In the ASV Eph 3:9

"And to make all men see what is the dispensation of the mystery which for ages hath been hid in God who created all things;\_\_\_\_\_\_"

## In the ESV Eph 3:9

"And to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things,\_\_\_\_\_\_"

## In the **NIV Eph** 3:9

"And to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things."\_\_\_\_\_\_"

God has given us the means to spot these heresies, some being subtle, and some not so.

#### 1 John 2:22

"Who is a **liar** but **he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ**? He is **antichrist**, that denieth the Father and the Son."

#### 1 John 4:2-3

"Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that **Jesus Christ is come in the flesh** is of God: And every spirit that confesseth **not** that **Jesus Christ is come in the flesh** is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world."

The ESV, NIV and other modern versions are blatantly self-incriminating under the admonition of the Apostle John's warnings. They omit, in verse 3: "Christ is come in the flesh."

#### **ESV 1 John 4:3**

"And every spirit that does not confess Jesus(-Christ is come in the fleshomitted) is not from God."

## NIV 1 John 4:3

"But every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus (-Christ is come in the fleshomitted) is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world."

In the modern versions, 1 Tim 3:16 is one of the most definitive statements of the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. In the modern versions, it's not so clear.

## KJB 1 Timothy 3:16

"And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: **God** was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory."

## NIV 1 Tim 3:16

"Beyond all question, the mystery from which true godliness springs is great: **He** appeared in the flesh, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory."

### ESV 1 Tim 3:16

"Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness: **He** was <u>manifested</u> in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory.

Both of them say "He". He, Who? I am manifest in the flesh. You all appear to be in the flesh.

Textual critic Philip W. Comfort says this about this verse in his book *New Testament Text And translation Commentary*.

"Few textual problems generated so much stir and controversy in the nineteenth century as this one did (1 Tim 3:16). Many scholars entered the debate-not without good reason, inasmuch as this verse is related to the doctrine of the incarnation. When the reading in the TR and the KJV ("God was manifest in the flesh") was challenged by another reading ("he who was manifest in the flesh"), some thought that the doctrine of God becoming a man was being undermined. (You think? Comfort assures us:) Not so. The scholars who defended the reading 'Oç ("he who") primarily did so because they realized that the second reading was clearly an **emendation**"

He goes into technical jargon about the scribes mistakenly identifying a nomen sacrum (abb. for  $\theta \epsilon o \varsigma$ ), he goes on to say:

"It is more likely that the change was **motivated by a desire** to make the text say it was "God" who was manifest in the flesh."

The textual critics often push the theory that an overly pious scribe added words to support the deity of Jesus. This thinking comes from German textual critic, Johann Jakob Griesbach (1745-1812), of whom Westcott + Hort were dedicated followers.

#### Griesbach wrote:

"When there are many variant readings in one place, that reading which more than the others manifestly favors the dogmas of the orthodox is deservedly regarded as suspicious."

According to the textual critics, orthodox Christians had corrupted their own texts. That is hogwash! "Overly pious" scribes were more than likely men who trembled at God's words (Isaiah 66:2), and heeded the warnings not to add or subtract from God's words (Rev 22:18-19). The

fact is, the corrupting heretical scribes were more apt to "steal" God's words (Jer 23:30), and to change, add and subtract to suit their Gnostic theology.

The main reason that they chose the false reading "he", is because that **was** in their darling manuscript, Sinaiticus, which is one of the two most corrupt manuscripts in existence, the other being Vaticanus. Dean Burgon documented the corruption of both these and said this about Sinaiticus: "that codex **Aleph** [**Sinaiticus**], (which evidently has gone through more adventures and fallen into worse company than his rival,) **has been corrupted to a far graver extent than codex B** [Vaticanus], **and is even more untrustworthy**."

The fact is, the only "emendation", changes, are in Sinaiticus, of which there are many. Tischendorf counted over 14,000, and the library in England where it now rests counted over 23,000. Even a scribe in Sinaiticus changed it from Oç ("he") to  $\theta \epsilon o \varsigma$  ("God"), but the "scholars" are sure it should be "he". That is pure conjecture on their part. All the great Protestant Reformation Bibles have "God" in it. That spelling was paid for by the blood of the saints.

The modern versions are also ecumenical bibles, as is the text that underlies them. The UBS and the Vatican have a working relationship on the false modern versions. The Nestle-Aland 27<sup>th</sup> edition critical Greek text on page 45 explicitly confirms this close relationship between the UBS and the Vatican. It says:

"The text shared by these two editions was adopted internationally by Bible Societies, and following an agreement between the Vatican and the United Bible Societies it has served as the basis for new translations and for revisions made under their supervision. This marks a significant step with regard to interconfessional relationships. It should naturally be understood that this text is a working text: it is not to be considered as definitive, but as a stimulus to further efforts toward defining and verifying the text of the New Testament."

It is a "working" text, not to be considered "definitive". A working text is an evolutionary text. If it is not definitive, it is not established or settled. This thinking is antithetical to what we believe God says of His words.

#### Psalm 119:89

"LAMED. For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven."

### Psalm 33:11

"The counsel of the LORD **standeth for ever**, the thoughts of his heart to all generations."

#### 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**."

And the Lord Jesus Christ said THREE times, the number 3 in Scripture is associated with God's mighty works, and completeness.

## Matthew 24:35, Mark 13:31, Luke 21:33

"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."

Nearly 80 percent of the world's Bibles are distributed through the United Bible Societies. This is from TBS, which separated from the apostasy laden bible societies long ago.

"Given that the Church of Rome has historically been fiercely opposed to the free circulation of the Scriptures and that not so long ago it even openly condemned Bible societies, it may come as a surprise to some to learn that these days the Vatican has a close involvement with the United Bible Societies. This change of attitude must be either because Rome has changed its view of Scripture or because the Bible societies have changed theirs. Regrettably, the latter is more probable. It must be recalled that the United Bible Societies (and for that matter Wycliffe Bible Translators) do not use the Received Text, the text underlying all Reformation-era Bibles, but instead use the corrupt Critical Text. Thus Rome's willingness to be involved with the United Bible Societies is understandable after all. Whenever in the past Rome could not 'altogether prevent the Holy Scriptures from being translated and circulated, she has made no scruple of falsifying the text'. Hence, the use of the corrupt Critical Text by the United Bible Societies is consistent with Rome's purposes, and she will consequently lend support to such work. On the other hand, if the Received Text were to be used, Rome would doubtless take quite a different view. It is noteworthy that the Vatican has never published the Traditional Text of the Holy Scriptures—the Hebrew Masoretic Text or the Greek Received Text—nor has it ever published a Bible in any language translated from that textual base."

This Gnostic, ecumenical text is the text being used in most seminaries and Bible colleges around the world. This text was nonexistent a little over 100 years ago. The higher criticism of 100 years ago attacked specific books of the Bible. Today's higher critics attack the Word of God in its entirety. The wool is being pulled over somebody's eyes. We see a wholesale falling away to these ecumenical bibles by all the mainline denominations, and unfortunately many Independent Baptists, and other independent organizations are caught in the drift. We are witnessing the great "Drift", back to Rome.

We are called to unmovable and steadfast when it comes to God's preserved words. The Apostle Paul wrote:

## 1 Corinthians 15:58

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

The LORD always provides a witness of Himself. The witness to Laodicea is the Received Text, the KJB in our English language. The falling away, the apostasy, is indicative of the late hour, and the blessed hope, the return of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Bob Jones Sr. wrote in "The Sword Scrapbook" (SOTL Publishers 1969)

"The King James Version is, after all, the best translation we ever had. The very words of the Bible in the original languages were inspired of the Holy Ghost. That is what the Bible claims for itself; and that is what the born-again, Bible-believing Christians believe about the Bible. We are to search the Scriptures as our Lord commanded us; but remember, there is a curse to those that add to the Word or take away from the Word. The hottest place in Hell will be for the reserved for these modernistic conspirators who, in a subtle, pious way, are trying to steal the faith of humble Christians in the Word of God. Remember, you do not have to be a scholar. You do not have to be a great authority on languages. You do not have to be a great literary genius. Remember this: any man who wonders if the Bible is the Word of God has not been born again. All born again Christians believe the Word and love the Word."