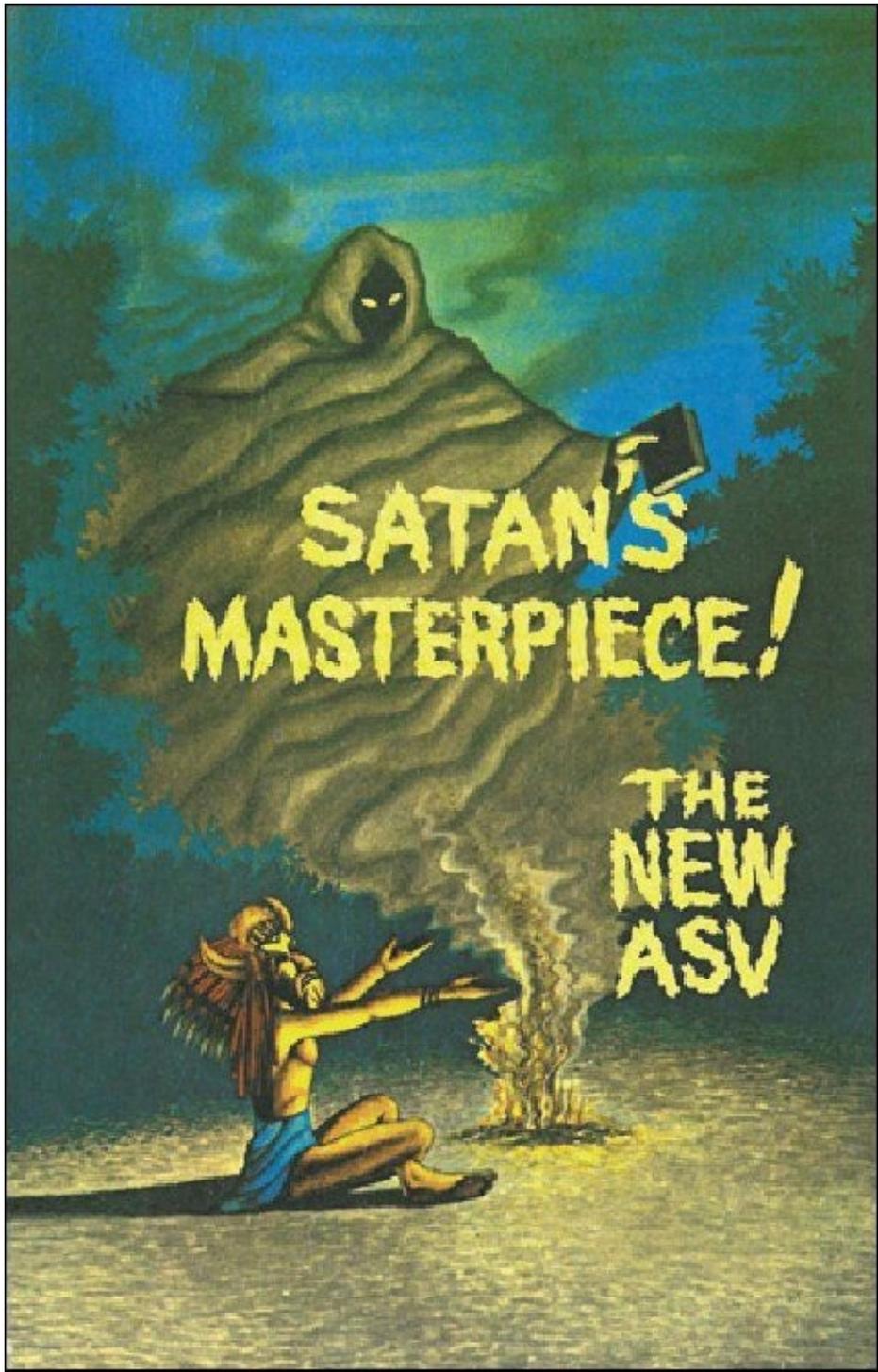


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## PREFACE

This book is written to present the view of a *Bible-believing Christian*. As such, it represents the view of a small minority of Bible believers left in America today. This minority has been shrinking steadily since the turn of the century, and readers of *The Bible Babel* and *Which Bible?* (David Otis Fuller) understand the truth of this statement perfectly.

Many people who profess to be “*Bible believers*” are actually “Evangelical *Conservatives*” or “Fundamentalists.” That is, they only believe a dozen truths *extracted from the Bible*. We are not writing from the standpoint of this kind of a Christian, although, of course, we believe in the Fundamentals of the Christian Faith. Some “Premillennialists” and “Independent Missionary Baptists” are Bible *infidels* as well as “Fundamentalists,” and this will not be hard to prove when one begins to examine the “Bible” which some of them recommend. We realize that the vast majority of soul-winning pastors and evangelists in the United States—especially those in Independent Baptist Churches—are “Bible-believing Christians,” but we cannot afford (in this particular instance) to profess to represent anyone but the real Bible believer himself. The reason for this is that when many of the “Bible believers” are “pinned to the mat” (as the expression goes), it suddenly develops that they believe in the authority of some *scholar* (or some *school*) to alter the words of God. They have only been using the Protestant Bible as a cover-up for infidelity; that is, they desire to fool their congregations into thinking that they believe as their congregations, *which they do not*.

These days it is the fashion to defend “the verbal inspiration of the originals” boisterously, while destroying the greatest Book that God ever gave man since the originals were penned. The modern “Bible believer”—at least the “Greek scholar” bracket—is merely a man who wishes for the believer to be in bondage to him as the final authority instead of to the Holy Bible.

This will be more apparent in what follows.

The ancient saying “**Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord...**” can be stated (with perfect honesty) as “Not every one that saith, ‘I believe in the inspired originals,’ is a ‘*Bible believer*.’” The mythical Bible which many Conservatives and Fundamentalists “believe in” in the 20th century is a non-existent book that passed out of circulation more than ten centuries before the American Revolution. Consequently, when the average Conservative today says that he believes in the “infallible, absolute authority of the scriptures,” he speaks exactly as any Liberal or Neo-orthodox Infidel in America speaks. That is, all three classes speak words which *do not mean* what they say, make use of a vocabulary that is *not theirs*, and deceive the listener into thinking that they believe *something they do not believe*.

In my files I have letter after letter from young preachers who are studying for the ministry in various “bastions of Orthodoxy,” “fortresses of the faith,” etc., and they all say three things clearly. They say them without any let-up regardless of the Institution, the

faculty, the student body, or the profession of Faith.

1. The student is instructed to use the *King James Authorized Bible when appearing publicly*, not because it is the infallible and absolute authority of God, but because the ignorant public is used to it and is “familiar” with it.

2. The student is instructed to *make corrections* on this Authorized text by using the *ASV* (1901) or the *New ASV* (1963), and thus elevate himself to the position of infallible and absolute authority over the Authorized text of the Reformation.

3. *No University in America believes in the infallible, absolute authority of any Bible anywhere in the world.* They correct any and all versions with the Greek text of Aland, Metzger, Souter, Westcott and Hort, and Nestle.

*This makes the faculty members of the “Conservative” schools the final court of appeals in “all matters of faith and practice.”*

Now, it does not take a genius to see the truth of that statement.

The ancient dictum that “*the Holy Bible* is the final authority in all matters of faith and practice” has been violated by many of the Fundamentalists in the United States with the same blatant and arrogant impunity with which the Liberals and Infidels violated it in the 18th and 19th centuries.

You do not have to have an eighth-grade education to see that if a man reserves *for himself the right to correct the Holy Bible*, then he *himself* is the final authority. You are either in subjection to the Book, or it is subject to you. According to Hebrews 4:12, 13, no man reading this page is smart enough to sit in judgment on the Holy Bible—but, of course, this brings up the question: “Is there a ‘Holy Bible’ available?”

If there is no book around anywhere that is “the living words of the living God,” then anyone’s guess as to “what are the living words of the living God” is just as good as anyone else’s guess. It is only the boundless and colossal conceit of Conservative scholars which leads them to believe that their guesses are more reliable than the guesses of Paine, Marx, Engels, Weishaupt, Voltaire, Rousseau, Hegel, Heine, Spinoza, Nestle, Hort, Pope Gregory I, Souter, Vincent, Trench, Pope Paul VI, and Malcom Boyd. After all, if the men who profess to believe in the Book are not in subjection to the Book, who is? Certainly not those who *don’t* believe it! Who are you trying to kid?

The book you are about to read is a brief survey of the greatest thing that Satan ever pulled off in the Biblical realm since the founding of the catechetical school in Alexandria, Egypt (first and second Centuries, A.D.). The *NASV* is truly a masterpiece and may well fulfill the prophecy concerning it, which is found written on the backside of the “jacket” of the Second Edition of the “New Testament.” (I enclose “New Testament” in quotation marks as it will be apparent to the serious student of Scripture, after a few pages, that the *New American Standard Version* of the “New Testament” is no more a “New Testament” than a Babylonian Talmud.) Nevertheless, this book is prophesied to be: “The Literary Masterpiece of the Coming Generations.”

Just above this prophecy will be found *the official stamp of the Roman Catholic Church*, the infamous “*Rho*” “*Chi*,” which resembles a “P” with an elongated stem, crossed by an “X.” You will find this sign on the robes that the bishops wear when any

mass is given in the Vatican.

Now informed readers who are acquainted with *Mark of the Beast* (1960, 1969) and *Rome, the Great Private Interpreter* (1969) will not be in the least surprised to find this “New” *American Standard Version* attached to the official seal of the Roman Catholic Church. Many informed scholars have noted that the head of the *RV* (1884) committee and the *ASV* (1901) committee was a baby-sprinkling Amillennialist who, like Dr. A. T. Robertson of Louisville Seminary, rejected the New Testament teaching on the Judgment Seat of Christ, the restoration of Israel, the Rapture, the Tribulation, the Antichrist, and the “Marriage of the Lamb.” Dr. A. T. Robertson (see his work on *A Harmony of the Gospels*) subscribed to the same Liberal theories on “sources” for the gospels that was put forth by Lightfoot, Ellicott, Gregory, and Hort in the 19th century.

Now the head of the *ASV* (1901) committee was Philip Schaff, a baby-sprinkling Amillennialist who despised the Reformation text of Martin Luther and the Puritans. (See any of his comments on manuscript evidence in Volume VIII, *The History of the Christian Church*.)

The reason why this is so significant is because the Roman Catholic Church felt the same way (exactly!) about the matter. When Hort (1884) referred to the Greek text of the Authorized Bible as a “vile text” (see *Which Bible?* by David Otis Fuller), he was only voicing the opinion of the College of Cardinals and the deluded prince at Rome. The fact that Hort may have professed to believe in the “fundamentals of the faith” and the “divinely inspired originals of our God-breathed book,” etc., meant nothing.

Hort, as Robertson, Milligan, Moulton, Souter, Davis, Vincent, Trench, Thieme, Wuest, English, Machen, Gregory, Nestle, Tregelles, and the Lockman Foundation, was obsessed with the idea of *overthrowing the authority of the Bible so the common people would have to come to Conservative Scholarship for the “last word”* instead of carrying the “last word” in their pockets.

This statement does not need any documentation other than the book you are about to read, for in this book you will see (after a while) the heart motive behind the promotion of any and all “new” translations. This will be perfectly apparent the more we study the actual text of the *NASV*.

If the word of God is a “**discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart**” (Heb. 4:12), then the Holy Bible should be able to discern the thoughts and intents of any man who meddles with its sacred contents. [I wouldn’t have a Bible that wasn’t able to correct the findings of any committee of Greek Scholars who ever lived. If the word of God is so impotent and senile that it cannot judge and correct the errors of those who *resent it* and are *jealous of its power*, it has no more power than the *ASV* (1901) that went broke and had to sell its copyright because God wouldn’t use it; not even when every fundamental school in the country was beating the drum and carrying the torch for it.]

Satan’s Masterpiece, in the last half of the last century preceding the Advent, was not conceived and forged in the mills of Liberalism or Neo-orthodoxy. His greatest and most effective work (in his opposition to the Body of Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit) has come directly from the desks and pens of people who profess to be “contending for the faith” and who profess to believe in “the inspired *originals*.”

But what Christian who believed the Bible would have been surprised to see this thing take place? What Bible believer who read his New Testament would fail to notice the warnings in 2 Timothy 4:3, 1 Timothy 4:7, 2 Timothy 3:1, 13, Ephesians 4:14, etc.

Did these “conservative scholars” actually think that because they constituted a “majority of accredited conservatives” the warnings were not aimed at *them*? Do you suppose these men were so blinded and deceived that they thought that passages like these were dead historical references to *someone else* and had no application to anything going on *now*? Well, what do you suppose there is about a “Christian Education” that makes a saved sinner shelve passage after passage (Mark 7:7, 13) that deals with Bible corrupting and Bible revision? (See 2 Cor. 2:17.) In all this, cannot one sense a sort of “apostolic succession” from one teacher to another that passes on from generation to generation the teaching that *scholarship* and *education* are to be the final judges on the Revelation of God?

Origen writes like Schleiermacher. Schleiermacher writes like Tillich. Tillich writes like Niebhur. Niebhur says some things that you can find in Ritschl and Strauss. Strauss speaks like Oxnam, Sockman, and Peak. Sockman speaks like Blake and Poteat. But Blake and Poteat often handle the Bible like Westcott, Hort, Ellicott, and Dummelow. But Dummelow and Hort look at the Bible like Robertson and Nestle look at it, and Robertson and Nestle are used by Bob Jones University, Dallas, Fuller, Wheaton, Moody, and Columbia Bible College to correct the Holy Bible.

Now any logic in this chain reaction is not apparent to the man who has substituted his knowledge for the Bible as a final court of appeals. You see, the point in this “succession” is not to prove that because *some things are similar* in the writings of these men, *all things* are similar. No, the point is *that all of them sat in judgment on the Holy Bible*. There is not a straw to choose between the Lockman Foundation and the College of Cardinals when it comes to *rejection of Biblical Authority*.

“Birds of a feather flock together” (Matt. 13:32).

In 1 Kings 13 there is a remarkable story. In 1 Kings 22 there is a remarkable story; as a matter of fact, these are two of the most remarkable stories in the Bible.

The first one is about a prophet who believed God, believed in God, *believed what God said*, preached Bible truth (1 Kings 13:3), and by his lies cause the death of a militant, aggressive, zealous young man who feared nothing *but disobeying the Word of God* (1 Kings 13:8).

The second one is about a prophet who represented the “accredited majority of reputable scholarship” (1 Kings 22:11), but, unfortunately, was a bald-faced liar and was only on the payroll because he had to make a living somehow.

Now both of these liars had something in common: *both of them professed to have had a message from God* (1 Kings 13:17, 18), and both professed to have been called as a special messenger to deliver the words of that message (1 Kings 13:21). The fact that one of them was a false prophet and a worshipper of Baal and the other was a retired orthodox minister who *had* preached the truth was immaterial as far as the results of their ministry was concerned. The first prophet (1 Kings 13:24) put a young man slap out of the ministry who had as great a potential as the prophet Elijah. The second prophet put a King in his

grave (1 Kings 22:34) who had just gotten back in the Bible (1 Kings 21:29) and gotten his feet on the ground.

Now, who could these two prophets represent?

Does not Paul tell us that the Old Testament was written for our admonition (1 Cor. 10:6) and learning (Rom. 15:4)?

Are these men any kin to those of Jeremiah 23:36 who pervert the words of the living God? Are they any kin to the “learned” men of Isaiah who cannot read the Bible (Isa. 29:11) because its language is “archaic, symbolic, and figurative”? Are they any kin to Saul (1 Sam. 15:22) who *worshipped* the Lord (1 Sam. 15:31) while rejecting His Word?

Perhaps they are more nearly related to Balaam who was a Bible-believing (Num. 23:26), Bible-preaching (Num. 23:12) Fundamentalist (Num. 24:17) who was “**all things lo all men**” (Num. 23:19; 1 Cor. 9:22) for “belly reasons” (Rom. 16:18).

You see, “profession” of faith is still *profession*.

Don’t ever be deceived for a minute into thinking that because a man “professes” to believe that “the Bible is the word of God,” he is even aiming generally in that direction. Put him on the spot; sit him down and talk with him and run through the references you are going to find in this book. And when you get through with him (or when the Book gets through with him, Heb. 4:12), you’ll know whether he is merely a “professor” or a *Bible believer*. There is a difference (Jude 16-18), you know.

Satan’s Masterpiece is the production of the “professor” who bitterly resents the *AV* and only uses it as a cover-up for his hatred, because his congregation (or student body) has been raised to believe that the *AV* 1611 is the word of God. When you talk with these men over luncheon and dinner tables, as I often have done, you will discover the most remarkable labyrinth of twisted reasoning you will ever behold. The intricate network of “logic” which these men have woven around their position can only be likened to the peculiar “logic” found in the writings of Fichte and Nietzsche.

Now, where one finds this maze of interwoven contradictions, there is always something underneath that is covered. We shall assume from the start (to be perfectly fair to all) that what was covered was an *inferiority complex*. Before we go into the text of our work and reveal the horrible, hellish, damnable blasphemy of these “conservative” scholars, we are going to give them their due at the start and excuse them on the grounds of *fear* (John 12:42). We are going to assume that every one of them, without exception, *was taken advantage of by an older man* when he was a new Christian “growing and learning the word.”

You can be sure that none of them—least of all Dr. John R. Rice—ever suspected the eventual outcome of this shrinking before scholastic authority; but now, with the end of the age upon us, this nineteenth century old “apostolic succession” has at last produced the fruit of fruits—the *New American Standard Version*.

The chain reaction which produced the “inferiority complex” from one generation of Christians to another can be described as follows:

1. *Learning* and *education* are impressive to unlearned or uneducated people.

2. People who are educated and learned tend to think of themselves as *superior* to people who are not (1 Cor. 1-2).

3. In a “tight place” their learning and education can always give them an advantage over the unlearned in any matter dealing with *books* or *words* (1 Cor. 1-2).

4. This makes them highly susceptible to *pride* (1 Cor. 1-2) in handling the Book of books.

5. The carnal church at Corinth (1 Cor. 8:1) had this problem because it was within 90 miles of the Philosophical Capital of the ancient world.

6. The Bible abounds with warning, after warning, after warning to this kind of a “Christian” (1 Tim. 6:20; 1 Cor. 1:28, 29; 2:1, 3:20), and to ignore these warnings is to court disaster (Col. 2:8).

7. *These warnings have been ignored by nearly every major conservative writer and commentator from Origen (184-254) to the Lockman Foundation.*

8. Consequently, from Origen to English there is an apostolic succession of bloated egotists who mistake *linguistic ability* for spirituality, *formal education* for intellect, *degrees* for “growth in grace,” and *scholarship* for ability to interpret. These colossal egotists all have one sure mark of identification. They all sit in judgment on the Reformation Bible of the Waldensians, Albigenses, Paulicians, and the Christians of Antioch.

*Their hobbyhorse is altering the words of truth.*

9. Since these men make up the “majority of Conservative Scholars” in any age, they control the *educational processes* and the formation of thinking in the minds of each generation of preachers as it grows up under their spell.

10. This has produced nineteen centuries of Bible-rejecting “Christians.”

11. The student cannot compete with them when he enters the school; he cannot answer their arguments against the Book that saved him and called him to preach; he is not equipped to see through their lying stratagems as they wrest the scriptures to their own destruction. Consequently, he is beaten and cowed *before* he gets his diploma, and he graduates thinking that he is inferior to the men who tore up his Bible for three to four years.

12. This *inferiority complex* is the greatest hindrance to Bible study and Revival in this century. It was man-made and man-induced, and it was done by men who learned it from men who learned it from other men (Gal. 1:12; Matt. 16:17).

*God never showed you one mistake in a King James Bible.*

You learned every one you learned from a sinner who sat in judgment on it. *Didn't you?*

13. The King Crown climax of this “educational process” is the forcing of soul-winning Premillennialists to recommend a Devil's Bible on the grounds that “surely the *majority of Conservative Scholars* could not be wrong.”

This brings us to our subject, the Devil's Masterpiece of the 20th century, one of the

greatest hoaxes foisted on the Body of Christ since Rome extracted the private interpretations of Ignatius, Tertullian, Cyprian, Polycarp, Irenaeus, and Clement for their own “Christian Doctrines.”

Satan’s Masterpiece is not the *Communist Manifesto* or the *Revised Standard Version* or *The New English Bible* or *The Protocols* or *Mein Kampf* or the *United Nations Charter*. It is, without doubt, the *New American Standard Version* (1960, 1962, 1963, 1968, 1971) now being pushed and promoted by “*Bible-believing Christians*” everywhere.

## CHAPTER ONE

# BASIC CONSIDERATIONS

Tolerance is a great thing. But the people who talk about it the most usually tolerate opposing views less than anyone on earth. This can be proved by presenting to the “broad-minded,” “fair-minded,” “open-minded,” etc., individual a critical or *negative analysis* of some idol he worships, and then watching his reaction. People with closed minds have a habit of taking any recommendation given by a man they love or trust. The fact that even trustworthy people (and lovely people) can be *deceived* or *mistaken* never occurs to them.

For example, we have in America an ardent Fundamentalist who has professed to be “deeply concerned” about the compromises of Billy Graham. This man has often referred to Billy as the “Jehoshaphat of our generation.” Now, in this man’s thinking, no man is completely above criticism, not even the best (Simon Peter, Gal. 2:1-8) and the most godly (Acts 15:39). *To this, all agree.* But strangely enough, many of the Christians who believe in *this* man and follow *him* would not dream that *he* could be mistaken in *recommending a Bible.*

Another example. We have in America a Fundamentalist institution that has been deeply concerned about the Christian’s stand on Neo-orthodoxy and the Ecumenical council. This institution has often mailed insulting letters to pastors and teachers who did not go along with everything the institution believed in. Now, in this institution’s thinking, no man is completely above criticism. *To this, all agree.* But strangely enough, many of the Christians who support *this* institution would not dream *that it could be mistaken when it came to recommending a Bible.*

Tell me something. *Has anyone ever made a mistake in recommending a Bible?* Well, what makes you think that simply because a man professes to believe in the “inspired originals,” he will recommend the right Bible?

*Doesn’t the Devil believe in the “inspired originals”?*

Now Paul says, “**we are not ignorant of his devices**” (2 Cor. 2:11). Paul warns us of the “**cunning craftiness**” of men “**whereby they lie in wait to deceive**” (Eph. 4:14), and he speaks of the “**wiles of the devil**” when he discusses the “**sword of the Spirit**” (Eph. 6:11-17). The same apostle warns us of “**science falsely so called**” (1 Tim. 6:20) and tells us that knowledge (1 Cor. 8:1) puffs a man, not just “falsely called knowledge” (see corrupt perversion in the *New American Standard* in 1 Tim. 6:20).

If we want to know the difference between a Holy Bible and a Devil’s Bible, there are several things we should “check out.”

1. Do the translators tell the truth about manuscript evidence?
2. Do the translators subscribe to the “Two Document Theory” or “Q Document Theory: of the Liberals?”
3. Do the translators think they have superior intelligence to the translators of the

Bible which opened the whole world to the Truth (Rev. 3:7-8)?

3. Are the translators trying to replace the *Authorized Version* with the Jesuit bible of 1582?

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5. Are the translators consistent in their correction of the *AV* text?

6. Will they “practice what they preach” when attacking the *King James* Bible for “tense translation” and “translation of the article”?

7. Will they lie about the text they are using as a basis for translation?

8. Are they prejudiced bigots when it comes to the power and authority of the *AV* 1611?

8. *Will they lie in order to sell and promote their translation?*

These considerations must come before there is any consideration of the text of the translation itself, for these considerations deal with the **“thoughts and intents of the heart”** (Heb. 4:12) and go far beyond such superficial things as etymology, better renderings, late manuscripts, tense and gender, number and voice, choice of readings, spurious passages, words in italics, etc., etc.

Let us not occupy ourselves with partridges on the mountain (1 Sam. 26:20), fleas, or gnats (Matt. 23:24) when we should be kicking a smelling, stinking, loathsome, hairy camel out of our tents.

You see, the great complex, intricate, intertwined mesh of duplicities which are woven to *cover the camel* must be untied. For example:

1. A saved sinner who says the *King James* Bible is “reliable” but says another translation is “thoroughly reliable” has already disqualified the *AV* 1611 as the source of final authority and has already cancelled the Monarch of the Books—a book that has been responsible for more spiritual blessing and physical prosperity than any original manuscripts of the New Testament penned by any of the apostles.

2. A saved sinner who says that the reason for needing a new translation is to “update” the language and get rid of “archaic expressions” and then turns right around and confounds the clear, contemporary language of the *AV* 1611 is obviously a liar whose **“thoughts and intents”** were to supplant the *Authorized Bible* with his own opinions.

3. A saved sinner who says that the reason for needing a new translation is to be “more accurate to the original Greek” and then does exactly the same thing with the “original Greek” that the *AV* translators did is obviously a two-bit junkie.

4. A saved sinner who says that he has in his possession the “Original Greek Text” is the biggest fraud and faker of the lot. *Nobody has access to the Original Greek Text*, and a man who professes to have it in his possession would make Goebbels and Castro look like St. Francis of Assisi (same church).

5. A saved sinner who says there are errors in the *AV* 1611 because they are not exactly literal word-for-word reproductions of the “original Greek” and then produces a

translation with the same phenomena in it is obviously a scribal jackleg.

6. A saved sinner who talks about “exalting the Lord Jesus” as the “eternal Word” or “contending for the faith” and then *slanders* Jesus Christ in John 1:8; John 3:16; Luke 2:33; 1 Timothy 3:16; or Acts 20:28 is obviously a cheap, lying scoundrel.

7. A saved sinner who complains about people riding “hobbyhorses” because they believe the *AV* to be the absolute and infallible authority in all matters of faith and practice and then *spends his life altering the text of the Reformation* is obviously a two-faced, tin-horned punk.

Now the “slang expressions” used above are not as strong as Pauline literature (Phil. 3:8; Titus 1:12), but they will do for the thin-skinned “Greek scholars” who can’t stand a religion above 70 degrees in the shade. (A Campfire Girl with an inferiority complex is pretty sensitive to plain speech, so we use as little as possible lest we “offend the brethren.”)

You see, the *camels* need to be tended to before the *gnats*. The gnat strainers of 1884 and 1901, as their ancestors (Matt. 23), were only interested in one thing: *replacing the authority of the Bible with their own authority*. The hulking camel of infidelity was given a carte blanche to the manuscripts, lexicons, church history books, marginal notes, “original languages,” and committee meetings; and it was no wonder at all that the *RV* (1884) and the *ASV* (1901) passed off the scene without bringing about one revival or one missionary enterprise or one spiritual awakening. The *AV* 1611 continued right on through both of them, as it will do with the “New” *ASV* and the “Brand new, spanking, sparkling, new *New ASV*.”

Having given some consideration to the roots and foundations of Bible translating, let us now consider the promoters and translators of the greatest fantasy ever recommended to the Body of Christ.

The first thing we should observe, if we are to obey the scriptural admonitions (1 Thess. 5:21), is that John R. Rice in *The Sword of the Lord* (Sept. 17, 1971) has printed an ad for the *New American Standard Version* (hereafter referred to as *NASV*), which tells us that it is “Faithful to the Original Greek Text” (p. 9). Furthermore, we are told on the cover jacket of the Second Edition that it is “Faithful to the *Original* Greek Text.”

*My stars*. What have we here???

Think of it. At last we have found the “*Original* Greek Text,” and this is advertised in a paper that gets its name from the word of God (see Eph. 6). How fortunate we are. How sad it is that until 1960 nobody had the “*Original* Greek Text.” Those who mouth off about “where was the *AV* 1611 in the Dark Ages?” have nothing on us now. Where was the “*Original* Greek Text” *during the greatest missionary and evangelistic period the world has ever known* (1600-1900)?

Why, this is the most astonishing thing that has appeared in print since the record of the resurrection. Here, for all these years, Christian work has been carried on—Judson, Goforth, Paton, Slam, Carey, Sunday, Moody, Torrey, Livingstone, Sam Jones, Bob Jones, Frank Norris, etc.—and now (oh, joy to the world) we have “the *Original* Greek Text” to work from. *Boy, what a revival we’re going to see.*

But, this is only the appetizer.

On page 8 of *The Sword of the Lord* we read these fantastic words: “A translation you can believe in...,” and then right below this we find, “At last a *thoroughly* reliable rendition...”

Just think how you and I have been deceived. Why, we actually believed in a Bible that was not “*thoroughly* reliable.” (Reliable? Yes! but not “*thoroughly* reliable.” Scholars are cute, aren’t they?)

Now to return to a serious vein of thought, what should we think of men and newspapers when they speak about the Word of God in this fashion? *I didn’t ask you what you thought about their morals, principles, habits, or ministries.* I asked you what do you think about them *when they speak about the Word of God in the fashion above?*

Is there anyone reading this who is stupid enough to believe that the *AV* 1611 is not “*thoroughly reliable*”? Is anyone dumb enough to believe that you would make a mistake in believing it? *Weren’t you saved by believing what it said?* Didn’t the man who preached to you *use it* when he preached? Didn’t the man who led him to Christ *use it*? You say, “Well, I know of a man one time that got saved through an *ASV*, etc.” Yes, but you have better sense than to use the inductive method of reasoning which evolutionists use for the physical sciences, don’t you? You know perfectly well that the exception doesn’t *overthrow* the rule; the exception *proves* the rule.

But we are still only playing with the matter.

The real point is, how on God’s earth could any Christian, let alone the faculty at Bob Jones University (whom we shall examine in a moment), think that anyone had “The *Original Greek Text*”?

Do *you* believe they do?

Does a great soul-winning, Biblical evangelist like John R. Rice?

Then what is such a thing doing in a newspaper supposedly engaged in promoting the word of God, the fundamentals of the faith, separation, and soul winning?

How do you explain the fact that Dr. Rice would print an ad like this which states a blatant out-and-out lie designed to overthrow your faith in the *AV* 1611, *and will not print an ad advertising any book that presents the AV 1611 as the absolute and infallible authority in all matters of faith and practices?*

“The *Original Greek Text*” is no more the text of the *NASV* than it is the text of *The Living Letters* or *The New English Bible*, The expression is a money-raising gimmick used by people who “peddle” the word (see *NASV* translation of 2 Cor. 2:17). To be right blunt about it, it is a monumental lie (John 8:44), and nobody but a born liar would believe such nonsense.

In the second place, the serious student of scripture (to use the hackneyed cliché of the dead-orthodox apostate) should observe that what the promoters call “The *Original Greek Text*” is called by Dr. Custer (Bob Jones University) and Dr. Neal (Bob Jones University) “*The Greek text.*”

Now notice the peculiar construction of this phrase “*The Greek text*” which occurs so regularly (and so monotonously) in the *Biblical Viewpoint*.

1. It *implies* that there is only *one* Greek text. We all know there *are dozens of Greek texts*—Souter, Nestle, Aland, Erasmus, Tregelles, Tischendorf, Griesbach, Lachmann, Weiss, Westcott and Hort, Stephanus, Beza, etc.

2. If the scoundrel who invented this lying device is put on the carpet, he would retort with “No, we are referring to the Greek text *which we are using*.”

Well, which one are you using, son?

*By his own admission, he is using Nestle’s edition from 1957.*

This is not hard to prove, for Dr. Custer has written on the cover jacket of the Second Edition (1963, *NASV*) that that edition is accurate and faithful “to *the Greek text*.” Dr. Custer goes so far as to say that he has compared it “word for word with *the Greek text*.”

But *this edition*, which Custer calls “*the Greek text*,” is said to be *the 23rd Edition of Nestle’s Greek New Testament “in most instances.”* [“Most” means that the committee *reserved to itself* the final authority to pass judgment on any and all “original” Greek texts, thus proving beyond any shadow of a doubt that those who talk about the “*Original Greek Text*” *would correct it at liberty if it ever showed up.*

Now pray about that five years and then meditate on it a while.

*If Origen (184-254) had had the “Original Greek Text,” he would have passed judgment on it exactly as the Lockman Foundation passed judgment on any Greek text they handled.*

Now, at the Pensacola Bible Institute, we are careful to point out to our students the errors in *Nestle’s Greek New Testament*, and we inform the student of the 36,000 changes made by Philip Schaff and company in 1884, which were preserved in the *ASV* of 1901. We also point out the vicious anti-Protestant bias which Nestle manifests in his choice of corrupt manuscripts for evidence. This brings us to the third major consideration which we must face before actually dealing with the text of the Devil’s Masterpiece.

The third thing is, John R. Rice tells us (p. 9, *Ibid.*) that the *NASV* “is really the *American Standard Version of 1901.*”

Now we knew this before we were informed, but perhaps some of our readers did not. [The addition of “with some editorial correction of archaic speech” (to quote Dr. Rice) does not change the factual statement, so don’t let any hot-headed fanatic tell you the quotation was taken “out of context.”] The *NASV* is substantially the old *ASV*, trying once again, *after 60 years of failure*, to replace the God-honoured Text of the Reformation. The pitiful explanation of The Lockman Foundation (see Preface to the Second Edition, 1963) is that there arose a generation “**which knew not Joseph**” (see Exod. 1:8). On this comical misapplication of scripture, the reader is led to believe that there was a disaster coming our way if the next generation couldn’t get ahold of another *American Standard Version*. My dear child, the disasters began in 1901 when the *ASV* was recommended to the Body of Christ by the dead-orthodox apostates who held positions in Christian Schools. Likening an *ASV* or a *NASV* to Joseph is just a little too much for one day. The

generation trained between 1918 and 1960 is the generation which knew not “the *Authorized Version* of 1611.” This is so apparent to anyone engaged in personal evangelism and youth work that no comment even needs to be made. The translators of the *ASV* and *NASV* are the people who caused this nation to become “ignorant of Joseph.”

This will not be hard to prove when we examine the text of the *NASV*, which we shall now proceed to do. The *NASV*, as the *ASV*, is the accumulated trash of eighteen centuries of errors and scribal bloopers. It contains one of the greatest collections of Anti-Biblical and Anti-Christian philosophy found in any book on the market which professes to be “Christian Literature.” (Possible exceptions are *In His Steps*, *Imitation of Christ*, *The Robe*, *The Hexapla*, *The City of God*, and the Decrees of the Council of Trent.)

We have already seen that its promoters and advertisers print lies to gain their ends, and we have already seen that Conservative faculty members *must* now promote and push it because of their “inferiority complexes.” (They would not appear to be *educated* if they did not. Do you understand that?)

We shall now see that the *NASV*'s text is not merely corrupt, it is an outrageous slander on the Person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ. We can attribute its popularity only to the items listed below.

1. Pride in *education*.
2. *Fear of the criticism* of educated people.
3. Promotional gimmicks which lie.
4. A majority of scared people behind it who are afraid that their institutions will be considered “hillbilly” if they stand by the *AV* 1611.

Satan's Masterpiece will be considered under five headings.

*First:* the subtracting of verses and words from the Bible on the dubious authority of manuscripts which contain “*The Shepherd of Hermas*,” “*Tobit*,” and “*Bel and the Dragon*,” and omit the Book of Revelation.

These notorious manuscripts have been dealt with at length in the works by the author and by Dean Burgon (1880-1890). “B” is perhaps (aside from Manuscript “D”) the most unreliable and sloppy of any of the Uncial Manuscripts. It is the manuscript which Nestle said should be given the “precedence” (p. 68, *Novum Testamentum Graece*, any edition), and it is the main one used by the Jesuits in 1582 for attacking the Textus Receptus. This same vile manuscript was the source of translation for the committees of 1884 and 1901 (see *Which Bible?* by David Otis Fuller).

*Secondly:* the deletion of the name of “Jesus Christ,” “God,” or “Lord” from certain passages, while professing to be “exalting Him as the eternal, living Word,” etc. (see cover of *NASV*, Second Edition, 1963).

*Thirdly:* attacks on the Virgin Birth and the Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Fourthly:* the private conjectures of translators with complete disregard for any Greek text, inserted under the perennial lie that they are “The *Original* Greek Text.”

*Fifthly:* attempts to line the scriptures up with the *Revised Standard Version* of 1952 or

the *Roman Catholic Rheims* of 1582, and miscellaneous items.

The reader is encouraged to abandon his preconceived prejudices which were placed in his mind by “Christian Educators” and, for a change, face the facts squarely as a Christian man who is sincere and serious in his desire to know the truth (John 8:32, 17:17), and not as a twentieth century Pontius Pilate (John 18:38) who is only interested in keeping his job (John 19:12).

The evidence will speak for itself, and those who are promoting and recommending this godless, depraved blasphemy will have to give account to their Lord (Luke 19:15) at the Judgment Seat of Christ (Rom, 14:10).

Enter! *The New American Standard Version*. Satan’s Masterpiece in the last days.

## CHAPTER TWO

# JEHUDI'S PENKNIFE AT WORK

Jehudi has the dubious distinction of being the first Bible critic since Balaam to deliberately cut out of the Bible what he did not like. Eve does a nice job by omitting the word “**freely**” from her quotation (see Gen. 3:2 and 2:16), and Balaam manages to delete two-thirds of the original revelation (Num. 22:12) before he reports to the King’s messengers (Num. 22:13). But Jehudi “takes the cake” or, more properly, “takes *the knife*” (Jer. 36:23) and simply slashes out everything God said that doesn’t agree with him. If Dr. Jehudi had been called to account for this knife wielding act, he would have undoubtedly justified his “revision” by saying that the verses he cut out were “not in the *original* text,” or that they had “*crept in* from another account.” (Manglers of God’s words are quite consistent in their motives, means, and methods.) The devout student of scripture should give careful attention to verses 24 and 25 in Jeremiah 36, and observe that one of the great characteristics about revisers who omit verses and words is they are “**not afraid**” to *mutilate the inspired original when it does appear*. You see, the “scroll” of Jeremiah 36, which was read to the king, *was the inspired original*

Observe, further, that where the “inspired original” is burned (v 23), *it is reissued by God with additional revelations* (v 32).

Now, what would lead an intelligent reader to assume that the gang who cut and burned the original would treat *the preserved copies* any differently if they got ahold of them?

One more thought. How does one explain the remarkable dead heat run by the translators of the *NASV* with the warning in Revelation 22:19? Here, a man who took away *words* (not messages, teachings, or fundamental doctrines) from the Book was in danger of losing his part out of the Book of Life, and yet the men who practice this (*NASV* translators) immediately alter “**book of life**” to “*tree of life*.” Isn’t that remarkable in view of the fact that the first time anybody took away from God’s words it was done in connection with the “**tree of life**”? (Look at Gen. 2:16 and 3:2.)

But God’s *words* are written in *a book*. The Authorized reading of the Holy Bible (1611) is entirely correct, and the *NASV* as the old *ASV* (1901) is in error. Furthermore, the reader may be interested to know (in the cause of scientific exegesis and documented evidence) that the Authorized reading is found in the Greek Textus Receptus, *yet neither Kurt Aland (Metzger’s text) nor Nestle’s text gives the reading or even mentions it as having a source*. “**Cunning craftiness**” (Eph. 4:14) again, eh, Doctor?

1. The *NASV* omits the word “**firstborn**” from Matthew 1:25. This was done in 1884 and 1901 for the same reason it was done in 1963: to appease the Catholics who believe that their church is right in teaching the “perpetual virginity” of Mary. In spite of the fact that Jesus Christ’s brothers and sisters (Mark 6:3) are said to be the children of his mother (Psa. 69:8, John 2:12), the fable goes right on in the corrupt *NASV*. “**Firstborn**” implies that other children were born later, and they were. They were not “*cousins*,” for the word

“**cousin**” is used (Luke 1:36) where “**cousin**” is meant. The word “**firstborn**” is found in the Hesychian Family [Egyptian type of manuscripts (C)], in the Western Family (D), and in the Byzantine Family (Receptus); and it appears in A.D. 180 more than 170 years before the corrupt Vaticanus or Sinaiticus were written (see Tatian’s Diatessaron). The *King James* reading, here, is 150 years older than any manuscript used to offset it; the reader should never be deceived into thinking that the *King James* reading is based only on “*late manuscripts.*” They are lying to you—as usual.

2. The *NASV* turns Jesus Christ into a guilty sinner by **omitting** “**without a cause**” in Matthew 5:22. The most inexperienced novice knows that Christ was angry in Mark 3:5, and even the *NASV* recommends anger in Ephesians 4:26. Now are you stupid enough to accept a translation that recommends that you do something for which you shall be “*guilty before the court,*” and then tells you that Jesus was guilty because He was angry?

Imagine a man calling himself a Bible believer and recommending a depraved piece of trash like that. Imagine some incredible idiot telling you that this translation confirms “the position of the Lord Jesus Christ as the eternal living Word,” when it places Him in the position of *a guilty sinner—before it has gone seven pages.* Some of you reading this are actually believing these people because you “like” them or because “God has used them.” *God used Saul.*

And besides all of this, don’t you know what Barth and Brunner meant when they talked about the “eternal living *Word*”? They weren’t making any reference *to any Book* that God wrote and preserved, and neither is the translating committee of the *NASV* making any reference to this when they talk about “*the word*” or “*The Word.*”

3. The *NASV* has taken seventeen words out of the “original Greek text” in Matthew 5:44. Here, the *King James* Bible has preserved the reading of the Caesarean Family of manuscripts (Theta), the Western Family (D), and the Byzantine Family (Receptus). It is also found in the Gothic Bible of Ulfilas written before Vaticanus was written. Ulfilas had his Bible circulating before Vaticanus was penned, so the manuscripts from which Ulfilas translated his Bible were in circulation at least twenty years before Ulfilas began to translate. Nestle omits them; and as we have proved earlier, what Dr. Neal and Dr. Custer call “*the Greek text,*” the *NASV* translators call “*the original Greek text.*” (We call it *Alice in Wonderland.*)

4. “**God**” has been graciously knocked out of His kingdom in Matthew 6:33 by the *NASV*, in spite of the fact that the word is in the Old Latin and Old Syriac of the second and third centuries and in the vast majority of manuscripts. By the same gracious gesture, “**Jesus**” has been shoved out of Matthew 8:29, “**to repentance**” has been deleted from Matthew 9:13, and “**of the heart**” has been sliced out of Matthew 12:35.

5. The words “**O ye hypocrites**” (!! ) have been removed from Matthew 16:3, and all of Matthew 17:21 and Matthew 18:11 are out. The authority for the removal of these words—in spite of the warning of Revelation 22:19—is “*the original Greek text,*” if we are to believe the monstrous lying advertisement published in *The Sword of the Lord* (Sept. 17, pp. 8, 9). This leads the Bible believer into a quandry, for as surely as Westcott and Hort were papists, if the words were not in the original text, the *AV* 1611 is guilty of *adding* to the words of truth; and this is as great a sin (Prov. 30:6) as *subtracting* from

them. We are, therefore, left to choose between two Bibles that obviously are *not* the same, nor is it possible by the wildest stretch of the imagination to say that both of them are “reliable.” *One of them is a wilful sinner who has disobeyed the commandments of God and has done it knowingly and deliberately.* To say that these two translations are “reliable” is to say that no one is to take the threatenings of God (see Rev. 22:19) seriously. If this is the attitude we are to take, it is the attitude of Jehudi’s congregation in Jeremiah 36.

Now, since half of Matthew 20:22 and half of Matthew 20:7 and half of 20:16 are missing in the *NASV*, what are you—the Bible believer—supposed to think?

Is there any manuscript evidence for the verses? Yes, there certainly is. They are found in Hesychian manuscripts (20:16), Western and Caesarean manuscripts (20:16 and 20:22), and Byzantine manuscripts (20:7, 16, 22).

Then which Bible is “reliable”? The *NASV* or the Holy Bible of the Reformation? If one is “reliable,” then the other is *not*. The one that is *not* cannot produce good fruit, for a corrupt tree *cannot* bring forth good fruit. (Matt. 7:17-18). What was the fruit of the *ASV* 1901 from which our *New ASV* came? What was the fruit of the *AV* 1611 from which American and English Christianity came?

Don’t duck the fruit. Examine it.

6. The words “**of God**” have been knocked out of Matthew 22:30. Are the translators of the *NASV* so naive they don’t know that some of the angels in heaven are not “*God’s* angels”? Look at 1 Timothy 5:21 and Revelation 12:3-8.

If “*the Original Greek text*” had omitted “**of God,**” would it not have confused somebody seeking the truth? Aren’t you glad that the *King James* translators had enough sense to go by the ancient Diatessaron (180 A.D.) instead of the late manuscripts (“B” and “D”) used in the corrupt *NASV* of 1963?

7. The *NASV* flinches at the anti-Catholic verse in Matthew 23 (v 14). One glance at the verse can enable the reader to see the problem clearly. The enclosure of the verse in brackets with the note that the “earliest MSS” do not contain the reading is a giveaway to the heart attitude of the translators; they would have loved to have stricken it out again, as they did in 1901. It creates a better “ecumenical environment.” Strangely enough, Dr. Neal says that the “Greek text” he is going by in his writings is *Metzger’s*. On page 89 of “Metzger’s,” one will find the *verse taken clean out of the text*. Now, tell us, ye erudite pioneers in critical exegesis, how come your “original Greek text” has it *in*, and *out*, and *part way* out?

*Now Origen has it out* (but hasn’t Origen always been pretty far out anyway?!). Somebody said, “Well, ‘D’ and the Hesychian families have omitted it.” Yes, but, children, “D” and the Hesychian families alone are no authorities to go by. *The NASV rejects both of them in 1 Corinthians 13:3.*

8. The most important words in Matthew 25:13 have been deleted in the *NASV*: “**wherein the Son of man cometh.**” Half of verse 35 in Matthew 27 has been omitted, and the word “**the**” has been taken out of 27:4 so that the Blood of Jesus Christ is classified with anyone’s blood. To the hot-headed fanatics and crackpots who scream,

“But the definite article is not in the Greek text,” we scream back, “It wasn’t in 1 Corinthians 2:16 (**‘the mind of Christ’**), but you stuck it in,” (see *NASV*). Moral: *Don’t go around screaming your fool head off when there are people listening who have as much sense as you do.* Why are you so finicky about articles on a verse dealing with the *Blood of Jesus Christ*, but not so particular when discussing *minds*? Little prejudice there, eh, Doctor?

9. Mark 7:16 is missing. Also the words **“from the dead”** are missing in Mark 6:16. Here we have one of the numerous funnyisms found among the dead-orthodox apostates who recommend the *NASV*. The omission of Mark 7:16 is ostensibly under the alibi that it is only found in “late manuscripts” (see margin). What are these “*late manuscripts*”? Well, one of them is “D” which was just used—see No. 7—as an authority. Again, the Diatessaron of 180 A.D. and Ulfilas (A.D. 320) give us the earliest authorities for the correct reading, which reads as *the King James* (1611).

10. Two verses in Mark 9 are missing. In *this “thoroughly reliable translation”* (see Preface) from the *original* Greek text (see Preface), the double reminder of the never-dying worm and the unquenchable fire was not particularly appreciated by the scribe of Vaticanus and Sinaiticus. However, this scribe (whoever he was) did appreciate the “*Shepherd of Hermas*” and the “*Epistle to Barnabas.*” (Obviously a great champion of orthodoxy “contending for the....”)

The correct reading is found in writings two centuries older than Vaticanus or Sinaiticus, and it has been preserved in 197! by the *King James Bible* of 1611, in spite of Jehudi’s penknife.

11. Half of Mark 9:49 has dropped out of sight in this “*thoroughly reliable translation*”—recommended by Bob Jones University. The fact that it is found in all four families of manuscripts (Western, Caesarean, Byzantine, and Hesychian), plus the writings of 180 A.D., means absolutely nothing to the Lockman Foundation or the deluded advertisers who promote this kind of rubbish.

12. The rich young ruler gets out of cross-bearing in Mark 10:21, if we are to believe in this “*thoroughly reliable translation,*” for the words **“take up the cross”** are missing from the *NASV*.

13. **“For them that trust in riches”** (Mark 10:24) has been removed from the Holy Bible by the *NASV*, even though it is found in all four families of manuscripts.

14. **“Spoken of by Daniel the prophet”** has been removed from Mark 13:14, and **“and the cock crew”** has been removed from Mark 14:68. These numerous subtractions come from the peculiar mania which Westcott and Hort (and Lightfoot and Ellicott) had for assuming that Matthew copied Mark and some other source. Assuming that Mark wrote *first*, it is taken for granted that Mark *must be shorter* than Matthew. Therefore, any statement which appears to be *an exact match between the two gospels* is whittled down in Mark so that it will look like Matthew got the idea from “Q” document, or the Missing Link, or the Dead Sea Scrolls, or perhaps “The Piltdown Man.”

But, the Gospel bird (“the cock”) screamed once too often for Dr. Neal and Dr. Custer. You see, **“and the cock crew”** is found in Metzger’s text, called “*the Greek text*” by the doctors, and yet it is not in “*the original Greek text*” of Nestle. (People do have a time

getting together, don't they? On the cover of the *NASV*, Second Edition, Dr. Custer said he had compared word for word with "the Greek text," but when we wrote Dr. Neal and asked him what was this "the" text, he referred us to the United Bible Society's edition of Aland, Black, Metzger and Wikgren. *Well, c'mon gang. How come the "original" has two different readings?*)

The Authorized text of 1611 naturally contains the reading found in all four families of manuscripts and the vast majority of manuscripts extant.

15. All of Mark 15:28 has been removed (or added to the *AV* 1611, if you take the view that the *NASV* is reliable), although it stood in the Old Latin, Old Syriac (second and third centuries), and the vast majority of New Testament manuscripts.

16. Roman Catholics will not exactly "appreciate" the removal of "**blessed art thou among women**" from Luke 1:28, but the *NASV* did the job as neatly as Jehudi ever slashed up the original manuscript. The statement is found in the *King James Bible*, and, naturally, *it is found in all four families of manuscripts* and quoted 170 years before the sources used by the *NASV* and the old *ASV*.

17. The Catholics are not the only ones who should be disturbed by "the original Greek text" (to quote Dr. Rice's *The Sword of the Lord*, Sept. 17, 1971); for not only do these modern Jehudis resent Mary being "**blessed...among women**," they resent the command of our Lord Jesus Christ to pay attention to "**every word of God**." In Luke 4:4 you will find this command stricken out of the text on the grounds that it "crept in" from Matthew 4. Now these creeping creepers who keep finding things that "creep in" have accidentally stuck 33 words into the text of their "Bible" after removing "**every word of God**" from Luke 4:4. After Mark 16:20, one will find the comical addition of Nestle's text placed into the Biblical text, without even brackets to indicate its dubious authority; and yet Matthew 23:14 was placed in brackets.

Why is it that 33 words are stuck into the text (after Mark 16:20) which are not found in Sinaiticus, Vaticanus, or "D" manuscripts, and "**every word of God**" is said to have "crept in" from Matthew? [That's some "original Greek text" you have there, you old two-faced lying reprobate, you.]

Stranger yet, "**every word of God**" must have "crept in" to Luke 4:4 *long before Sinaiticus or Vaticanus were written*. We find the words in three families of manuscripts, and the Diatessaron quotes it 150 years before any manuscript cited. It is true that the Boharic and Coptic manuscripts of North Africa side with the North African corruptions of Eusebius and Origen (Sinaiticus and Vaticanus), but as we have said before, Sinaiticus and Vaticanus are about as reliable (as Bible manuscripts) as Maggie and Jiggs.

18. Something else is wrong with Christ's encounter with the Devil in Luke 4. If we are to believe the "original Greek text" of the *NASV* instead of the infallible, living words of the Holy Bible, we are to believe that half of verse 8 is interpolated and shouldn't be in our Bible. Mustn't say nasty things to the Devil. So, "**Get thee behind me, Satan**" has been snipped out, even though it is found in the vast majority of Greek manuscripts.

19. If we are to go by this "thoroughly reliable" version, we are to assume that the *AV* 1611 has *added* 28 words to the Bible in violation of Proverbs 30:6; for in Luke 9:55, 56, we find two verses slaughtered beyond recognition. Here, we have a "**rebuke**" that is not

recorded, no instructions given to a legitimate question, and an abrupt break in the narrative that is almost startling to one familiar with Luke's style. As a matter of fact, there is nothing in Luke's Gospel or the Book of Acts that would indicate Luke would write in this fashion at all. The curtailment of the narrative is so obvious that you would not even have to know Greek to be struck by the jarring discord produced in the text of the *NASV*. The reading here in the *NASV* is the same as the *Revised Standard Version* of the National Council of "Christian" Churches.

20. All of Luke 17:36 is missing.

21. All of John 5:4 is missing. (See the evidence for the authenticity of this verse in the notable work by Dr. Edward Hills, *The King James Bible Defended*, Christian Research Press, Des Moines, Iowa.)

22. Acts 8:37 has been removed, even though it was a statement to the effect that if a man did not believe on Christ with his heart (see Rom. 6:17 and 10:9, 10), he could not be baptized. Now, I wonder who would want that verse removed. Philip Schaff's committee removed it in 1884 and again in 1901, but he couldn't get *John Rice* and *Bob Jones University* to remove it until 1963.

*Progress!*

The verse is cited by Irenaeus *more than 100 years before the "original Greek text" of the NASV was written.*

23. Thirty words have suddenly disappeared from Paul's conversion experience in this "thoroughly reliable" Greek text. Acts 9:5, 6 comes through like a scalded chicken out of a meat grinder. You must fasten your seat belt when you realize that the men who massacred this important passage were men who claimed verbal inspiration for the words of the Holy Spirit and wrote books about "*Our God-breathed Bible.*"

The remarkable thing about most of these crackpots is how they talk about believing in *inspiration and preservation*, but they limit preservation to the *NASV*, which they call "*the original Greek text,*" and relegate the *AV* 1611 to a "*reliable position*" while exalting the *NASV* to the "*thoroughly reliable position.*" By now the reader should have had something drilled into his head that resembles truth. What Bob Jones, III, calls a "*reliable translation*" was passed on to him from Dr. Neal and Dr. Custer, who got it from Robertson and Davis, who got it from Gregory and Machen, who got it from Westcott and Hort, who got it from Griesbach and Tischendorf, who got it from the Jesuits and Lachmann, who got it from the Roman Catholic popes (*who have always taught there is more than one reliable source of authority*), who got it from Jerome and Augustine, who got it from Eusebius and Origen, who got it straight out of Satan's mouth (Gen. 3:1).

If the *NASV* is a "reliable translation," *The New English Bible* is the verbally inspired original.

24. There is no verse 29 in the *NASV* in Acts 28.

25. Romans 16:24 is missing. (Jehudi is having a busy day.)

26. But in Romans 13:9, the Holy Spirit—speaking through the *King James Bible* (instead of the "original Greek text")—pulls off one of His many practical jokes which He

habitually plays on liars (1 Cor. 1-2).

Here, the words “**Thou shalt not bear false witness**” have been removed from the text; but this time the reader should observe two remarkable phenomena, which heretofore have not occurred.

a. This time *no marginal reference* has been given for the *omission*. As suddenly as unheralded death, all talk about “late MSS” (see marginal notes on all the omissions up to here) is dropped. A silence like Yankee Stadium at two in the morning suddenly descends over the Lockman Foundation, and they not only cannot notify you that part of the verse is missing, but they cannot tell you even *why* it is missing.

b. This time *Sinaiticus*—heretofore used a dozen times to correct the Authorized Bible of 1611—has been dropped into the *footnotes of Metzger’s edition* and not even mentioned in Nestle’s edition. *Why?*

You guessed it. *It has the King James reading.*

Now this is “very interesting,” to quote the dead-orthodox cliché. Here is a text called “*the original Greek text*” (Nestle) which gives no notation of the omission. Here is *another text* called “*The Greek Text*” (Dr. Neal) which gives notations on the omission, and here is a fourth century manuscript as old as Vaticanus (yes, we know the pope said it was later) which reads as the *King James*.

Which is the “divinely inspired original”? (To quote the lying scribes on the faculties at Conservative schools, who profess to believe such a thing.)

*Here are three Greek texts.* A Receptus that has the words in it as quoted in A.D. 200 (Origen), a Nestle’s text that has the words omitted *with no notation*, and Kurt Aland’s text with the words omitted *and a lengthy explanation*.

Shall we simplify it?

*What are the fruits of the three texts?*

Did you know that the Holy Spirit who “breathed” our “God-breathed” Book is interested in bearing fruit (Gal. 5:22)?

What could be more appropriate for a bunch of lying Madison Avenue promoters than to omit “**Thou shalt not bear false witness**” from a New Testament Pauline Epistle which they were dissecting? We should expect the deletion.

27. Half of 1 Corinthians 10:28 has been slyly removed without any scholarly notation of any kind. The same thing was done with “**Take, eat**” in 1 Corinthians 11:24, and the word “**Lord’s**” has been removed from verse 29 in the same chapter. The Lord got kicked out of His memorial supper in spite of the fact that the *King James* reading is found in all four families of manuscripts and the vast majority of manuscripts in any group. The witness of the Old Latin and Old Syriac to the reading is complete.

28. But Jehudi is not satisfied with removing 200 words from the text of the Holy Bible. Half of 1 Timothy 6:5 has been removed. “**After the order of Melchisedec**” has been removed from Hebrews 7:21.

29. There is no “**heaven**” for the plagued saint of Hebrews 10:34, for the words “**in**

heaven” have been taken out by the *NASV*.

30. You don’t have to love the brethren “**through the Spirit**” in the *NASV* (1 Peter 1:22), for the Spirit has been thrown out of the Book that He wrote (and the Book which these lying poachers profess He preserved).

Christ did not suffer for “**us**” according to the *NASV* in 1 Peter 4:1, but merely “*suffered.*” Half of 1 Peter 4:14 is missing from this “thoroughly reliable” translation. And one of the advantages in being “**cast into outer darkness**” by the Lockman Foundation is that one will not be there “*for ever.*” The words “**for ever**” are missing from 2 Peter 2:17.

31. The *NASV* has slaughtered 1 John 5:6-9, in spite of the scientific evidence produced *since the 1901 version* regarding the authenticity of the passage. Going by the archaic dogmas of the 19th Century (“Mid-Victorian,” I believe, is the expression), the *NASV* of 1963 has assumed that the passage in 1 John 5 is “spurious.” Those of us who are considerably ahead of the Lockman Foundation in our “serious Bible studies” have already examined the evidence of the Trinitarian Bible Society in London, Dean Burgon’s works, and the masterful work by Dr. Hills on *Believing Bible Study*. These up-to-date modern investigations have completely overthrown the archaic theories of the 19th Century, and the student who is informed about these matters will leave 1 John 5:6-9 exactly as it stands in the Authorized text.

As double proof that the translators of the *NASV* (as their promoters) are the men referred to in Ephesians 4:14, we observe that the *NASV has used the King James numbering system* to deceive the reader into thinking that verses 6-8 *are actually in the text*. But the verses which you read in the *NASV* at verse 7 and 8 are *not* “verse 7 and 8” at all; as a matter of fact, *they are not even a translation of the Greek text* which Custer and Neal profess to use. Neal’s text (in v 7) says, “There are three that are bearing witness.” *This is not the reading of verse 7 in the NASV.*

*Check it out!*

But, horror of horrors’ when Dr. Custer of the faculty at Bob Jones University stated that he had compared the *NASV* “word for word with the Greek text” (and the *NASV* had stated that its text was substantially Nestle’s text), the confounded Doctor recommended a verse at verse 7 that is not a translation of “*the original Greek text*” or “*The Greek text.*”

*Nestle reads with Metzger and Kurt Aland:* “There are three that are bearing witness.”

But, lo and behold, in their madness to overthrow the authority of the Book of books, the Lockman Foundation (with the support of Bob Jones, III, and John R. Rice) has written, “*And it is the Spirit who bears witness...*” at verse 7.

*There is no such reading in any Greek manuscript* (see Chapter Four, p. 42-48.)

The lying scribes who produced this blatant falsehood (while calling their opponents “crackpots”) have cracked a pot that splinters all over the Seminary: *Verse 7* in 1 John 5, for the *NASV* is the imaginary monologue of a deluded fool who can no more read Greek texts than he can English texts. This fool would call any man who believed the *AV* 1611 was infallible an “extremist” or a “fanatic”; and yet, the silly ass, by his own admission, *cannot read the verses he is translating from.*

But, this is “par for the course” in dealing with most Greek “scholars.”

32. Well, the *NASV* kicked God’s throne out of heaven in Revelation 14:5 and let unsaved nations into New Jerusalem in Revelation 21:24.

Outside of those 32 errors, it is a “*thoroughly reliable* translation,” to quote *The Sword of the Lord* (Sept. 17, 1971).

Now, for a change, let us see what the Authorized text of the Reformation says about men whose everlasting hobbyhorse is lying, stealing, swearing falsely, and perverting the word of God.

A. **“...These are the words which thou shalt speak...”** (Exod. 19:6).

B. **“And God spake all these words, saying...”** (Exod. 20:1).

C. **“...the gift...perverteth the words of the righteous”** (Exod. 23:8).

D. **“Write thou these words...”** (Exod. 34:27).

E. **“...only the word that I shall speak unto thee, that thou shalt speak”** (Num. 22:35).

F. **“Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it...”** (Deut. 4:2).

G. **“I...will put my words in his mouth; and he (Christ) shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him”** (Deut. 18:18, 19).

H. **“...as the Lord liveth, what the Lord saith unto me, that will I speak”** (1 Kings 22:14).

I. **“Every word of God is pure...”** (Prov. 30:5).

J. **“...when the king had heard the words of the book...he rent his clothes...Go ye, inquire of the Lord for me...concerning the words of this book that is found: for great is the wrath of the Lord that is kindled against us, because your fathers have not hearkened unto the words of this book...As touching the words which thou hast heard...! also have heard thee...”** (2 Kings 22:11-19).

K. **“Then were assembled unto me every one that trembled at the words of the God of Israel...”** (Ezra 9:4).

L. **“...to this man will I look, even to him that... trembleth at my word”** (Isa. 66:2).

M. **“...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...”** (1 Thess. 2:13).

N. **“He that is of God heareth God’s words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God”** (John 8:47).

O. **“...had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But**

**if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?”** (John 5:46, 47).

Do you notice how the air has cleared around here the last five or six minutes? It's kind of like “*pine air freshener*,” isn't it?

Hasn't it ever occurred to you that it's rather odd that none of the modern Greek scholars and revisers talk like any of the *Christians* in the New Testament? I mean, think about it for a minute. When do you ever remember having heard *any Christian* in the New Testament (Peter, James, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Paul, etc.,) say: “A better translation should be...,” “A more accurate rendering of the verb tense is...,” “Unfortunately this word has been translated as...,” “The rendering obscures the true meaning which is...,” or “This is brought out more clearly in the....”

How does one explain this yawning gulf between the *way New Testament Christians talk* (Christians who believe in the Bible) and the way *the “leading Conservative scholars” in the 20th century talk*? Weren't we told that a man speaks out of the “**abundance of the heart**”?

Well, what in the ever-lovin', blue-eyed world do you suppose is going on in the hearts of the Conservative scholars who speak as we have heard them speak? Couldn't they talk more like a *Christian* when discussing the supreme authority in “all matters of faith and practice”?

You see, all of the Jehudis didn't die out in Jeremiah's day, and it takes a man with Jehudi's *heart* to do to the “*inspired originals*” what Jehudi did. You have to deeply resent the *authority* of the Holy Spirit to mangle and pervert your Bible in the fashion that the *NASV* has done it.

We now proceed from penknife pugilists to artillery bombardments against the names of Deity. Again, you are invited to check all statements and all references by any means possible. We realize that the situation is appalling, and that the very thought that men like John R. Rice and some Christian “Celebrities” could recommend a book which deletes the material listed above is unimaginable; but, truth is stranger than fiction.

“Right on!” as the avant-garde says. We have not yet exhausted the “riches” of the greatest bible Satan ever produced.

## CHAPTER THREE

# RUNNING THE LORD OUT OF HIS BOOK

The *NASV* is not the first bulldozer that ever shoved the Lord out of His Holy Temple. It has been done before with remarkable success, and, again, the Authorized Bible of 1611 puts light on this operation that is found nowhere in *any* “*original Greek text*”—of any origin.

Paul is run out of the temple in Acts 21:30, although he brings with him the word of God (1 Thess. 2:13) and the words of God (1 Cor. 1:17, 2:4, 13). Somebody in charge of the temple didn't like God around to interfere with things. Nor is this an “overstatement.” When the Lord left His temple (Matt. 24:1), He did it with the knowledge that somebody didn't want Him in there (Matt. 23:39).

Amaziah, representing the Lockman Foundation (and the “majority of accredited et ceteras of his day”), told Amos that what had been “The House of *God*” (Beth-el) was now “**The King's Court**” (Amos 7:13). Amaziah told the King that Amos must tuck his tail between his legs and run **because “the land is not able to bear all his words”** (Amos 7:10). In Jeremiah 38:4, you will find Amaziah's near kinfolk pulling the same operation off on Jeremiah. And they got rid of Amos and Jeremiah. They also got rid of their land, families, government, prosperity, peace, religion, temple, and God (Hosea 2:8-13).

Hustling the Lord God around to meet the demands of dead-orthodox apostates seems to be a very commonplace thing; nearly as common as “*resisting the Holy Ghost*” (Acts 7:51).

Now, if God belonged anywhere in this universe (notice how they tried to confine Him to a building in Acts 7:48), He belongs in the Book which He wrote, the Book which He gave to man as a revelation of Himself. You don't have to be a mathematician to see that the word “**God**” occurs more times in scripture than any other proper noun. When the Lord magnified the written word (small “w”) above His own name (Ps. 138:2), He settled any argument about the authority of the written word.

Yet, strangely enough, the inconsistent jugheads who bellow the most *about “the absolute authority of the scriptures”* are found running up and down the country recommending a God-forsaken piece of trash (the *NASV*) that kicks the God of Scriptures out of the Scriptures which He wrote. It is a kind of Genesis 3 in reverse; instead of God running Adam out, Adam runs Him out.

As we mentioned in the previous chapter, the word “**Jesus**” has been taken out of Matthew 8:29, and the word “**God**” has been taken out of Matthew 6:33; but this is only the beginning of this novel hobbyhorse which the despisers of Holy Authority have saddled for the race.

Observe:

1. The *NASV* has erased Jesus' references to Himself in Matthew 16:13 by erasing “**I**”

and “**am.**” Notice the preference for “IS” (*NASV*) to the statement of the Tetragrammaton “**I am.**” “I AM” is the name for Jehovah in the Old Testament, and as John R. Rice has already told us (see the Preface), the *New ASV* is the old *ASV* (1901) “with some editorial correction of archaic speech.” The old *ASV* (1901)—as any Jehovah’s Witness Bible—confines Jehovah to the Old Testament *exclusively*. The translators did this so you would never connect the Lord (Rev. 19:16) of the New Testament with the Lord (Exod. 6:3) of the Old Testament. This has left a stale stink in the hearts of the Lockman Foundation, and its putrid odor still contaminates the stinking *NASV* of 1963. “**I AM**” is a little too strong on a passage that deals with Deity—notice the context (Rev. 19:16).

2. Both “**Jesus**” and “**Lord**” have been removed from Matthew 13:51. Since the context is “**Have ye understood all these things?**” we are to assume that the men who recommend the *NASV* (and the institutions) didn’t understand very much.

3. The *NASV* has coyly erased “**the name of the Lord**” from the passage in Mark 11:10. (Yes, darling, we know; it crept in.) Wouldn’t it be funny if these men face the “*original* Greek text” when they get to glory and find that “**the name of the Lord**” is in the “*inspired original*”? I wonder what they will think up then to lie out of that one? They had “**the name of the Lord**” in the Authorized Bible given to their people by the grace of God and the blood of the martyrs. Wouldn’t it be a stupendous joke if the word that was “**settled in heaven**” (Psa. 119:89) had “**the name of the Lord**” in it?

4. Somehow “**Christ**” got run out of John 4 after He led a woman to saving faith (at least that is how John 4 is preached by all the Fundamentalists who are recommending the corrupt *NASV*). In John 4:42 “**Christ**” has been abandoned for “this One.” To cover up the glaring deficiency of this mistranslation—the correct reading of the *AV* is found in three families of manuscripts, plus the majority—the *NASV* translators have invented (see Chapter Four) a mythological fabrication which reads “this is not the Christ, *is it?*” (John 4:29). There is no “is it” in any Greek manuscript in the universe. It is no more “*the original* Greek text” than A. T. Robertson’s Greek Grammar.

The ad in *The Sword of the Lord* is a lie.

5. Not only must Christ vanish from John 4, He must also retire from John 6:69. Instead, the *NASV* has given us the words of unclean spirits (Mark 1:24) and put them into Simon Peter’s mouth. I suppose this conjecture was on the grounds that since Jesus referred to Peter as “**Satan**” (Matt. 16:23), the Lockman Foundation could not resist making the ground of confession in John 6:69 a devil’s confession.

The correct reading, found in four families of manuscripts, was being quoted 150 years before Vaticanus was written. It is in the Old Latin and Old Syriac which are as old as Papyrus 75 and which are three times as “thoroughly reliable.”

6. In keeping with the classic perversion of the old *ASV* (1901), the corrupt *NASV* has preserved “*the Son of man*” for “**the Son of God**” in John 9:35.

This classic passage is one of the telltale signs of textual corruption in any set of unreliable translations, and it is, of course, matched by the *Revised Standard Version* of the National Council of Christian Churches.

The problem involved is a theological one, and the naive translators of 1901 and 1963

could not be expected to be serious enough or deep enough to discuss the problem. Philip Schaff (head of the 1884 and 1901 committees) was quite a logger-head when it came to *theology*. As all baby-sprinkling Amillennialists who rejected the Premillennial position, he often got things badly fouled up when dealing with *doctrine*. Eusebius and Schaff are very similar: both of them were *excellent church historians*; both of them tended to paint dead-orthodox apostates in glowing colors; and both of them admired the greatest heretic of the centuries—ADAMANTIUS ORIGEN.

The theological problem in John 9:35 is really quite simple.

Nobody in the New Testament was ever asked to believe in the Son of “MAN”; and if they did, it wouldn’t save them from anything. “**The Son of man**” is Christ’s self-chosen designation which He uses in his relationship with the nation of Israel while He is IN THE FLESH (2 Cor. 5:16). You will notice that the **term “Son of man”** is not even remotely connected with the transactions in John 9. Instead, it is God (v 3), God (v 16), God (v 24), God (v 29), God (v 31), and God (v 33). To find “the Son of MAN” popping up in this context after nine chapters on the Son of God (1:34, 1:49, 3:16, 3:34, 5:17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 8:42, 54, etc.) is a little misplaced. [It is true that the expression occurs in 6:53 and 62; *but in both of these places the Lord is talking about feeding Israel* (see v 32, 45, 49), and He is making a reference to the fact that the man talking with them is a *human being* of flesh and blood. They understand Him exactly as he told it to them (vv 52, 60).]

Notice, further, that in discussing matters of belief, not once does Jesus Christ tell anyone to “believe on the Son of man” in John 6, nor does He in John 5:27. The gist of 5:27 is that Christ will be given power to judge earthly men because He Himself has become one of them, (see Acts 17:31 by comparison). In John 3:13, 14, notice again how the expression is always used in reference *to an earthly man dying on earth in relation to Israel* (observe “Moses” in John 3:14 for example).

Now this explains to the intelligent student of the Bible (who thinks more rationally than the fanatics who spend their lives attacking Biblical authority) why John never tells anyone to believe on the Son of *man*. Observe that every time John mentions faith or belief that saves (1:7, 12, 2:23, 3:15, 16, 18, 36, 6:40, 14:1, 6:35, 11:25; etc.), he has a reference to the Son of *God*. If there were any doubt about this interpretation, observe how the Holy Spirit has preserved in the *AV* 1611 [as well as the *ASV* (1901) and the *NASV* (1963)] John’s statement that the purpose for which he wrote the gospel was to get people to believe that Jesus Christ was the “Son of *God*” (John 20:31), not the “Son of *man*.” There is not one case in John’s gospel where any man is promised eternal life for believing that Jesus is the Son of man. The reading of the *NASV* here is the conjecture of an amateur.

In spite of the work of the dead-orthodox apostates, we can still find traces of the correct text (the *King James* text) in A.D. 200 (writings of Origen), A.D. 220 (writings of TAMILIAN), and A.D. 330 (Ulfilas’ Gothic Bible).

7. “**Christ**” has been shoved out of Acts 2:30. The “**Lord**” has been shoved out of Acts 7:30. He has also been knocked out of Paul’s conversion two chapters later (Acts 9:6). But the real fiasco is in Acts 15:18. Here the fanatical crackpots of the *NASV* committee were so anxious to get rid of the word “**God**” that they *altered the verse numbering of their own “original Greek text”* and stuck half of verse 17 down into verse

18, and then obliterated verse 18. (See the same shennanigans done on 1 John 5:7, 8.)

This is not the reading of Nestle's text used by the Lockman Foundation, nor is it the reading of Aland's text used by Dr. Neal of Bob Jones University. It is a freshly manufactured piece of original graffiti which was conceived in the mind of a man who would do the following:

a. Lie *about verse numbers* so you couldn't *check the verses*.

b. Lie about *manuscript evidence* so you would think the verse was *not* found in "the Greek."

c. And then lie about the whole operation with the blasphemous nonsense that he was translating "*the original Greek text*."

I don't care who would recommend such a vile piece of filth; you are a fool if you take him seriously.

Irenaeus is quoting the *King James Version* of the verse in A.D. 202.

If this is not the correct reading, there is no correct reading; for the readings in Nestle, Aland, Lachmann, Westcott and Hort, and the rest of the Scholar's Union have only a *participial clause*. The sentence as found in these outrageous "original Greek texts" has no *predicate*. In Nestle, verse 18 does not begin with "says the Lord," as in the corrupt *NASV*. It begins with an *aorist participial*, and there is no *verb* in the verse.

8. "**God**" was excommunicated again in Acts 23:9 by the wrecking crew of the Lockman Foundation, although it is found in the vast majority of Greek manuscripts.

9. The "**Lord**" has been impeached from 1 Corinthians 10:28 and 1 Corinthians 11:29 in this "thoroughly reliable" garbage dump. Following the lead of the Communist party (see *RSV* 1952), the *NASV* has also taken the Lord out of 1 Corinthians 15:47. The *King James* reading is found in the vast majority of manuscripts and *all four families of manuscripts*, even including citations by *Origen* in 200 A.D.

10. They don't like Jesus Christ showing up in 1 Corinthians 16:22, so O-U-T! He goes! Now you understand that all of this is done with the greatest piety and saccharine devotion to "*exalting the Lord Jesus Christ as the eternal living word, etc.*," ad nauseum; but if they cannot fool a handful of us old bellwethers who aren't too bright to start with, do you think they are going to fool God Almighty (Gal. 6:7) with all this pious claptrap? You see, these are the people who always talk about "The Lord Jesus Christ" being the "center of fellowship" or the "final authority." What they mean when they say this is, *we will not tolerate any one book overriding our own sources of authority which we use to correct it*. So, "The Lord Jesus Christ" is substituted for the *book*, and then the book is attacked with the slobbering savagery of a rabid hyena.

11. "**Christ Jesus**" doesn't make it in Galatians 6:15, nor does "**the Lord Jesus Christ**" make it in Colossians 1:2, nor does He make it again in 1 Thessalonians 1:1. "**Jesus Christ**" has been dethroned from 2 Timothy 4:22 by these "Christ-exalting bastions of orthodoxy *contending for the faith, etc.*," and they kick the "**Lord**" out of Jude 5 and "**Christ**" out of 1 John 4:3. Not content with attacking the Son, they proceed to boot God the Father out of Revelation 14:5, 20:9, and 20:12.

How does this strike you people who spend so much time talking about “the fruit of the Spirit” and “the deeper life” and “the person of Christ” and “the fellowship of the gospel”? *Aren't some of you kind of like Rudolph Hoess trying to make peace with Great Britain? Or to be more specific, aren't you more like a ping pong team going to Red China to see if you can get 45 armed divisions to join your ping pong team?*

Do you realize—or are you still such a narrow-minded bigot that you can't read negative information—that one of these verses (1 John 4:3) *was a test passage on whether or not a man is an anti-Christ?* Look at the words deleted in 1 John 4:3, and then let your eye pick up verse 2.

You see, the faculty at Bob Jones, Moody, Fuller, Wheaton, and Dallas do not hesitate to recommend a version that strikes out “**Christ is come in the flesh,**” right after you were told that this was *the test of Orthodoxy*. But we would expect this from a trashy publication like the *NASV*, for in 1 Timothy 3:16 they tried (one more time) to prevent God from showing up in the flesh, (see Chapter Five).

Having examined for two chapters some of the minor errors in this rubbish heap, we are now in a position to examine errors of a more serious nature. These errors (as the ones listed before) are repeated deliberately and intentionally, exactly as they were made nearly 100 years ago in the archaic *RV* of 1884. These errors are aimed at teaching the Bible believer four things:

1. That Joseph was the father of Jesus Christ.
2. That God was not manifested in the flesh.
3. That Christ was “A” God before He was manifested in the flesh.

4. That “the Spirit of Deity” (Liberal term: “The Christ”) came on a man named Jesus at His *baptism* and departed at His *crucifixion*. This heresy is called “Docet-ism,” and we may attribute the lack of understanding about it to the extreme ignorance of Dr. Neal, Dr. Custer, Dr. Rice, Dr. Smith, Dr. Culberson, and other dead-orthodox conservatives who are pushing the latest dump truck.

It is absolutely true that this wretched piece of scrap metal, *the New American Standard Version*, has verses which teach the Deity of Christ and the Virgin Birth; but this is just Eusebius and Constantine all over again. What they wanted was a Bible that would satisfy *Christians and Pagans*. They wanted a garbage can with some *silverware* in it. The *NASV* fills the bill admirably; it is a Satanic masterpiece if you ever saw one. In what follows, no real Bible believer will have any trouble at all in picking up the footsteps of “the master.” The cloven hoofs that stomped Eden (Ezek. 28) are still treading the ancient pathways.

## CHAPTER FOUR

# DEATH IN THE POT

The next examination of proof texts from the *NASV* will be a startling revelation indeed for a new Christian or for a young man whom God has just called to preach. As a matter of fact, the evidence now presented is so astounding that one can hardly believe the truth of it when it has been digested. If I had told you that you would live to see the time when Premillennial, soul-winning “Fundamentalists” would promote a book that denied the first two fundamentals of the Christian faith, you would have laughed me out of court like some fanatical “crackpot.” However, I do not have to tell you that you will live to see it, for if you are now reading these lines, *you have already seen it.*

The *NASV* is being promoted by every major evangelical scholar in the United States and is being pushed with the zeal of an Indian Medicine Man by every major Greek teacher (in the “Christian” institutions of higher learning) in America. What follows is the doctrinal content of this translation that these men are recommending to you as “the most accurate,” “the most reliable,” “highly usable,” and “*thoroughly* reliable.” You must never forget this when checking the references you are about to read, for you will tend to, at times. And as you review the following references, you will often be seized with the mad desire to throw this book out the window and pretend it was never written, or else phone up the faculty members at Bob Jones, Dallas, Moody, Fuller, Wheaton, Columbia, etc., and tell them to put their Greek Testaments you-know-where.

The noxious pottage of 2 Kings 4:39 had to be revised before it could be eaten. If it had remained in the condition it was in, it would have killed every prophet at the dinner table. Fortunately, someone there knew the taste of the wild vine when he swallowed it, and he cried, **“O thou man of God, there is death in the pot.”**

This is not to say that all of the herbs (see v 39) in the pot were poisonous; *there was just enough poison mixed in with the good seasoning to kill anybody who was stupid enough to drink it.*

Now, some conservative scholars believe that a “little leaven” will not “leaven the whole lump,” even though it does every time it shows up in the Bible (Matt. 13:33). We are to assume in the case of the *NASV* that a little leaven still leaves this “Bible” translation—“thoroughly reliable,” to quote *The Sword of the Lord* (Sept. 17, 1971). This time, however, the leaven is like the wild gourds of 2 Kings 4. It is spiritual death to the man that tastes of it, and it will kill you as quick as gambling, liquor, fornication, or lust for money. The *NASV* is not merely a corrupt Bible and a bungling piece of hash, it is a deadly snare designed to entrap the unwary believer and lead him back into the paths of death.

Lest anyone should think that this is an “overstatement,” we now present Exhibit C: the text of this unholy Bible in all of its hellish glory.

1. *Luke 2:33.* Here some depraved blasphemer has told us that *Joseph* was the *father*

of Jesus Christ. This ancient depravation, which came from the Jesuit Bible of 1582 and was preserved in its sister corruptions (the *ASV* 1901 and the *RV* 1884), is preserved in the *NASV* in spite of the clear statement of the Lord Jesus Himself, in the context, that His Father's house was a temple—*not a carpenter's shop* (Luke 2:49).

Like the two-faced hypocrite at the Rocky Mount Trial (North Carolina) in the 1950's, the Lockman Foundation will alibi that Mary called Joseph his “**father**” in verse 48; but those of us who have learned to “**prove all things**” are no more impressed with this than the North Carolina “Southern Baptist” who denied the Virgin Birth (in court) on the grounds of Philip's guesswork in John 1:45. *Mary is covering up for a birth record which the Pharisees knew* (John 8:41) *when she calls Joseph His “father.”* Luke 2:33 is the direct statement of a *licensed physician speaking under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost*—if we are to believe Rice, Smith, English, Weniger, and the Scholar's Union.

Now, what would possess a Fundamentalist to deny the Virgin Birth (which is protected by the *King James* text) by adopting this heretical reading promoted by Origen, Jerome, and Augustine?

If 500 manuscripts had read “father and mother,” and only two had read “**Joseph and his mother,**” which one would *you* have picked? Which one would a soul-winning Fundamentalist pick? You say, “Well, we would have to go by the *majority*.”

*Then why did the Lockman Foundation reject the majority readings for the last two dozen verses you just looked at?*

You say, “Well, we can't accept a reading on the basis of only *two* uncial manuscripts.” You can't? Then why was the Deity of Christ thrown out of the *NASV* in Luke 24:52 on the basis of *two uncial manuscripts*?

You see, no alibi that any scholar ever gave for correcting the *AV* 1611 text was worth the powder and shot it would take to blow it to hell when you actually collared the old liar and put him right smack up against his own work.

No man who did what the Lockman Foundation did in Luke 24 could accept the blasphemous reading of the Roman Catholic Bible of 1582 for Luke 2:33, unless he wished to believe that perhaps Joseph was Christ's father. (That is some “Fundamentalist” you have there, kid; he'd go a long way in Red China.)

2. In case you didn't buy that last analysis, let's try another one. In *Mark* 1:2, 3, you are told that the two quotations that are given are from “Isaiah the Prophet.” This is the *ASV* reading of 1901 and the *RV* reading of 1884, and, naturally, the reading of the Communist Version of 1952. But, lo and behold, we are informed in the margin of the *NASV* that the quotations are not from Isaiah, but from *Isaiah and Malachi*.

The *King James* translators saw this obvious discrepancy at a glance and knew immediately what the “*original Greek text*” (to quote the fanatics) must have read: it must have read, “**As it is written in the prophets**” (note the plural).

Now, what on earth got into the heads of the Lockman Foundation, Dr. Rice, Neal, Tregelles, Aland, Metzger, Tischendorf, Westcott and Hort, Custer, Smith, English, and Mickey Rooney that would make them think that Isaiah should be given credit for something Malachi said? After all, the *King James* reading is found in all four families of

manuscripts, plus citations from A.D. 202. What is the point in deliberately confounding a simple truth and making it appear to be a lie?

Well, **“there is death in the pot.”**

You see, the quotation from Malachi was a reference to Jehovah God the Father. If anyone were to find this reference, they would see that the **“thy”** and **“thee”** of Mark 1:2 is the **“me”** of Malachi 3:1.

You see, the *NASV* (as the old *ASV*) is basically a *Jehovah’s Witness Bible*, and anything that will connect the Lord Jesus Christ of the New Testament with the Lord God of the Old Testament is a “no-no.” So, here the Lockman Foundation, supported by Bob Jones, II, and Bob Jones, III, has simply abandoned the majority reading of four families of manuscripts so that you would not get the connection.

**“Be not deceived; Cod is not mocked...all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do”** (Gal. 6:7, Heb. 4:13).

3. But, perhaps you are still blinded by the irrational prejudices your teachers ingrained in you when you wasted God’s money on a “Christian” Education. Shall we go a step further?

*Luke 24:51, 52.* Here, the Bible believer should be shocked and outraged to find that the *NASV* (recommended by Bob Jones University) has adopted the reading of the *Revised Standard Version* of 1952. This would not be so bad if the reading dealt with “gnats,” but we have the camel back in the tent again. This time both of the verses deal with the Deity of Jesus Christ. John R. Rice and Bob Jones, III, *take the side of the National Council of Churches on these two verses*, for when they recommend this godless sink of depravity to their students, they set to their seal that Bishop Pike and Eugene Carson Blake were right in their estimates of the ancestry of Jesus Christ.

You see, the words **“and carried up into heaven”** have been taken out of verse 51, and **“And they worshipped him”** has been deleted from verse 52.

Manuscript authority for these two attacks on the Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ?

*One copy of Sinaiticus and one copy of “D” (Western).*

What does the oldest Papyrus say? It says exactly what your *King James Bible* says. Why did the Lockman Foundation throw out A, B, C, E, F, G, and the papyrus, plus the Old Latin and Old Syriac and the Diatessaron (180 A.D.)?

Well, that is what Nestle and Aland did; and if you are going to ape the scholarly, you must peel bananas with the monkeys.

Was the Lord Jesus Christ attacked because of “older manuscripts”?

No.

Was the Lord Jesus Christ attacked because the “original Greek text” didn’t have the reading?

No.

Was the Lord Jesus Christ attacked because of the “archaic language” of the

Elizabethan English?

No.

Was the Lord Jesus Christ attacked because of the “verb tense and gender and number”?

No.

No, the Lord Jesus Christ was attacked exactly as He was attacked in Luke 2:33, because among the philosophical traditions of dead-orthodox apostates, certain fables are considered to be more Holy than the Holy Bible or the Holy Spirit. Westcott and Hort were the original promoters of this asinine translation, and their omission of the words was due solely to a private personal theory that they had no manuscript evidence, which stated that the Receptus had to be a combination of Western and Egyptian readings (see the brief discussion in *The Christian's Handbook of Manuscript Evidence*, 1970).

This last glaring error is so manifest to anyone with common sense that he can only draw one of two conclusions from the mania that certain Fundamentalists have for promoting the *NASV*.

a. They are either hungry for money and fame, and they are out-and-out crooks in their professions of faith.

b. Or, they are cowardly ignorant men who will not face the truth no matter how it is presented because of their fear of man.

If the only error the *NASV* had in it was its perverted rendering of Luke 24:51, 52, it would be enough reason to consign the refuse to the trash can. And if you don't consign it, be sure the One of whom the verses spoke will settle your hash at the Judgment Seat of Christ. You may woof (Syriac for “snow”) a few babes in Christ, but you won't hornswoggle (Aramaic for “bamboozle”) the Author of the “*original Greek text*.”

We have not entitled this work *Satan's Masterpiece* without ample reason. You see, the one who deceiveth “the whole world” has been in the business for years, but until now he has been unable to get “Christ-exalting, Bible-believing Fundamentalists” to openly deny their profession of faith voluntarily.

In the old days, this was done by means of *torture* (Acts 26:11) and other forms of persecution. Although the majority of the Albigenses, Waldensians, Vaudois, Paulicians, Bogomiles, and Ana-Baptists were true to their profession, there were cases where they recanted; however, these denials of basic beliefs were only extracted under extreme forms of physical torture and governmental persecutions. You could not possibly get any of the above mentioned groups to recommend an apostate Bible or a Roman Catholic Bible voluntarily, unless there was some form of *extreme pressure* (see *Which Bible?* David Otis Fuller).

This is extremely interesting, for it would indicate that Moody, Fuller, Tennessee Temple, Dallas, Bob Jones, Wheaton, Oral Roberts, Columbia, Hyles, etc., must be under some kind of invisible pressure which is worse than the pressure to which the Martyrs and Reformers were exposed.

*What kind of pressure could it be?* None of them are being tortured. Many of the

faculty members enjoy tax-exempt status as they live on property owned by “non-profit corporations.” None of them have been thrown in jail or even sued in a court of law in the last twenty years. Where is the pressure coming from? What on earth would make a man accept the *NASV* readings of Luke 24:51, 52, and then (in the same breath) talk about “exalting the Lord Jesus Christ” and “magnifying Christ” and “contending for the faith”?

Do you realize that from the standpoint of intellectual honesty and mental health, such a “Christian” would have to be about one-fourth out of his mind? Why, no man who reads these pages could be blind enough to miss seeing that Luke 24:51, 52 in the *NASV* is a Christ-dishonoring, mind-insulting, God-defying piece of lying filth. Having seen this, would you recommend such a book?

*Bob Jones, HI, and John Rice recommend it.*

They recommend it knowing **“there is death in the pot.”**

4. Now, infidelity breeds and encourages infidelity. Step by step a little leaven “leavens the whole lump,” no matter what scholar said what. The silly, deluded, superstitious Greek scholars who promote this kind of slop cannot answer the facts when presented with the facts. They cannot defend their position except by slander and innuendo. (Which is perfectly all right with me; I enjoy that environment and am quite accustomed to it. Sam Jones said, “I don’t mind being eaten by sharks, but I hate to be nibbled to death by *minnows*.” And again, “If you can say anything worse about me than I can you, you’ve earned your spurs; and besides that, I like to see things moving on at a good clip.” Sam Jones won more people to Christ than all three Revision Committees of 1884, 1901, and 1963.)

Staring the “Orthodox Defender of the Faith” in the face (*John 1:18*) is the Arian heresy of A.D. 320-325, exactly as Origen and Irenaeus left it, and exactly as the North African Manuscripts corrupted it in the second and third centuries. We are told in this “thoroughly reliable” version that Jesus Christ was “the only begotten God,” not **“the only begotten Son.”**

Again, the problem is a theological one, and we cannot expect Nestle, Schaff, Ellicott, Dr. A. T. Robertson, and other papal exegetes to know enough about the doctrinal truth to discuss the problem intelligently.

a. In the first place, the reading (as John 9:35) is entirely foreign to John’s style: cf. John 1:14; 3:16; 3:18, 1 John 4:9, etc.

b. In the second place, a “begotten *God*” is the official theology of the Jehovah’s Witnesses, not the theology of Orthodox Christianity.

c. In the third place, the stupid Conservatives, who think that the reading is bolstering the Deity of Christ, have failed to see the implications of the sentence as it stands according to the laws of grammar.

If Jesus Christ is the “only begotten *God*,” there are several other Gods who were not “begotten.”

Now you cannot escape the Christian logic of this Christian conclusion.

Again, you would have to be mentally unbalanced to fail to see the logic in the matter.

For example: if Jesus Christ is God's "**only begotten Son**," then there has to be some "sons" that are not "begotten." And, surely enough, there are. Read Job 1:6 and Job 38:7.

[You see, the Bible can even correct the mental processes of a man who cannot see the implications of an English sentence. (Heb. 4:12, 13) How much more can it correct the fanatical ravings of Dr. Neal and Dr. Custer (and like kin) who only have one hobby in life—the eradication of the Reformation Text.]

Again, if Jesus Christ is the "**first begotten of the dead**" (Rev. 1:5), it follows as day follows night that there are going to be some people begotten from the dead *after* Him.

One more time (with feeling, brethren): if the Father is "**the only true God**" (John 17:3), then there are some gods around (Ps. 82:1-6) who are *not* the true God (2 Cor. 4:4).

Now, if Jesus Christ was the *only* begotten God (as the blasphemous *NASV* tells us), then there had to be some God around who was *not* begotten.

*Do you read that loud and clear?*

Is there any great intellectual problem involved in it?

All right, if there were some Gods around who were *not* begotten, *then one of them was begotten*; this God that was *begotten* (*NASV*, John 1:18) was Jesus Christ.

Are you still with it, Doctor?

Well, the verse said, "No man *has seen God* at any time...." Wow!

And then it finished with "the *only begotten God*...has explained *Him*..." *The first God*. Wow! Wow!

Do you realize what you just read? The *NASV* said that one *God who was begotten* has "explained" (*NASV* text, not the Holy Spirit's reading) the *other* God.

*Two Gods*. Count them: One, Two.

Do you know who believed this? *Arius, Judge Rutherford, and Pastor Russell*.

Do you know what a Christian is that recommends this kind of depraved filth? He is a heretic by all standards of every orthodox Christian from the Council of Nicea (325 A.D.) to *The New English Bible*.

Now, the only excuse we can plead for the faculty members of Bob Jones University and other dead-orthodox institutions for promoting such a travesty of the *first, basic, fundamental truth of orthodox Christianity* is their inability to read and reason logically. Stupidity of a colossal nature must be involved in the thought processes of any fool who would call John 1:18 a "Christ-exalting" text in the depraved *New American Standard Translation*.

You see, the *first God* (the Father) was "*explained*" (*NASV*) by the *second God* (the Son). *That is what the text says; and if you think it says anything different, you must be either blind or insane*.

"*The only begotten God*" (*NASV*, Nestle's, etc.) has "*explained*" (*NASV*) "*God*" (*NASV*). That is what this monstrous perversion says, and this heresy was supposed to have been dealt with and settled at the Council of Nicea in A.D. 325, but at that time, the

“Fundamentalists”—headed up by Athanasius—were unable to alter the belief of the scholars (Eusebius, Pamphilus, etc.). As a consequence, the *Roman Catholic view of Christ* has been *Arian* until this day. Mary and Joseph have been elevated to an even place with Christ, and the traditions of Cyprian, Irenaeus, Clement, Jerome, Augustine, and Justin Martyr have been elevated to a place of equal authority with the Scripture. Two Saviors. Two Bibles...*Two Gods* (Luke 16:13).

All of these truths are well known to men like Dr. Wilkinson, Dean Burgon, Dr. Hills, Dr. Fuller, and other real “Bible believers” whose thinking processes are controlled by the authority of the Bible instead of the debris of scholarship which rolled out of Philip Schaff’s wrecking crews (1884 and 1901). Neither would Dr. Scrivener nor Dr. Miller countenance the unholy and depraved reading of Nestle’s Testament given for John 1:18.

Dr. John R. Rice and Dr. Custer (Bob Jones University) would, and do.

[If you don’t believe it, look at the cover jacket on the Second Edition of the *NASV* and read *The Sword of the Lord* ad in the September 17 edition (1971).]

We 20th Century Christians have lived to see all things. We have lived to see the leaders of Bible-believing Orthodoxy deny *the first fundamental of the Christian faith* and *recommend the denial* to their following.

If that isn’t “apostasy,” Billy James Hargis is a Communist.

Now, if you will pardon the personal reference, let me give you some good advice (and as I said at the beginning of this work, we are representing the Bible-believing minority that is left in America).

Here is the advice: Before you recommend *any version or translation* that uses Nestle’s text for John 1:18, resign your church, or withdraw your church letter, and join the Black Muslims. *You’ll get in less trouble at the Judgment Seat of Christ.*

5. The unholy hatred which Fundamental Scholars and Conservative Scholars bare for the Authorized text cannot rest content with merely making two Gods out of the Trinity and subscribing to Pastor Russell’s theology. No, once the hobbyhorse is galloping down the track, it would take more than an earthquake to stop him, so—

In 1 Timothy 3:16, the crucial passage in the New Testament on *the incarnation*, we find the *NASV* (as the old one, 1901) still determined to wipe out any reference to God Himself becoming “flesh.”

Now we will not go into a lengthy treatise on the matter, for it was handled completely (and masterfully) by the great Dean Burgon, *more than 80 years before* the corrupt *New American Standard Version* appeared. Again, we can only attribute the appearance of “He” for “**God**” in this version to the extreme ignorance of the Lockman Foundation and its supporters. Anyone who has read Burgon’s treatise on the passage would have better sense than to alter the word “**God**” to “He” or “Who” or “He Who” or any of the other archaic, outmoded, clumsy substitutions which Arians resorted to to get rid of the Deity of Jesus Christ.

Four things should be noted in the *NASVs* attack on the Deity of the Lord Jesus.

a. You were not told in the margin that the Greek word “*Theos*” was in some Greek

uncial manuscripts, and then the middle bar in the Theta was erased. Dean Burgon has some interesting documented evidence on this and proof from eye witnesses that the bar was in the “Theta” for more than twenty years before it “faded.” (One jaded nut claimed that the bar was only a line on the reverse side of the scroll “bleeding through.” Burgon also answered this objection with a preciseness and authority that left the adversaries of the Holy Bible no way to move except into the seat of the **“scornful.”**)

b. You were not told that by replacing **“God”** with “He” or “Who” or “He Who” (we list these so the reader will feel confident that we know anything his teacher knows about the readings—which isn’t much), a funnyism has been invented that a Greek teacher would call a mistake if it appeared on a student’s exam paper. You see, Dr. Neal and Dr. Custer (Bob Jones University) will tolerate “mistakes” in the *NASV*, but will not tolerate them in the *AV* 1611.

You say, “Explain yourself.”

Very simple. The antecedent of “He” in the *ASV* (1901) is the word **“mystery.”** But **“mystery”** is a neuter word and “He” is a masculine word (as is “He who”). Since these constructions are obviously false, the “Christ-exalting, Bible-believing Fundamentalist” would naturally believe the text which contained the word “God.” However! When faced with this erratum, Dr. Rice, Dr. Smith, Afman, Martin, Porter, English, etc., simply slip out of it by inserting “was” into the sentence—*which appears in no Greek manuscript of any kind.*

**“There is death in the pot”**—oh man of God.

c. This verb *didn’t have to be supplied.* (We call the reader’s attention to this because the *AV* translators often supplied verbs—see Luke 24:44, John 8:6; 11:17, 2 Cor. 3:9; 5:17, etc.—and at this point the fanatics of the faculties will start hollering and screaming about “they did it too.”) You see, the *King James* reading on the text—found in all four families of manuscripts and the majority of Greek manuscripts—is so written that it not only honors God and is loyal to the second fundamental of the faith, *but it needs no words added to make a complete sentence.*

By rejecting the orthodox “faith once delivered to the saints,” the faculty at Bob Jones and Wheaton and Fuller (and Dallas and Fort Worth, etc.) have had to invent a verb for “He.” This verb is “was,” and it reads, “*He Who* was revealed in the flesh was vindicated....” This gets the dead-orthodox apostates out of the hot box they got into when they published the *ASV* of 1901. It gives the reader a complete sentence to look at. However, the “was” was not placed in italics to warn the reader that it was not in “the original Greek text, etc.”

We sense in all of this juggling and feinting and dodging a confirmation of the great truth that it is so often easier to tell the truth than it is to lie. The Trinitarian Bible Society of London has long known about this blasphemous reading of *the New American Standard Version* and has published the truth about the matter for over half a century. Unfortunately, the faculty members at Bob Jones University (and other places) are still living back in the 19th century and going by the worn-out dogmas of a dead age which has no light at all to give this generation (see Chapter One in *The Christian’s Handbook of Manuscript Evidence*, 1970).

d. God was mentioned in 1 Timothy 3:15 two times, and the infidelic whimsy that caused Origen and Jerome to knock Him out of His Incarnation is quite typical of that class of reprobates. They have always felt about the matter exactly as the majority of dead-orthodox apostates in any generation felt about the matter. The Bible believer would do well to ignore their conjectures exactly as he would ignore a grub worm going through a pile of dead leaves.

6. Having attacked the Deity and the Incarnation of the Lord Jesus Christ in two verses, the Lockman Foundation feels that the time is now ripe to attack them again in one verse. The verse chosen for this assault on the Person of the Lord Jesus is Hebrews 1:3. Here, the dead-orthodox apostates have done three things, hoping that the Bible-believing public is too ignorant to trace their path.

a. They have destroyed the cross-references to 2 Corinthians 4:4 and Colossians 1:15 by omitting the word “**image**.”

b. They have chosen a reading which will appeal to the National Council of Churches in their publication—the *RSV*, 1952.

c. They have deliberately refused to go by their own standards of Greek scholarship which they profess to be able to use when correcting the *AV* text. You see, the word in the Greek for “**image**” (*AV* 1611) is “*charakter*.”

Now, if you were a man who believed in salvation by “*character*”—as the committee of the *RSV* did—you could transliterate this word instead of translating it (exactly as the *NASV* did in Luke 16:23 with the word “**hell**”) and make the “**image**” a moral image or a character image. However, the Greek word is kin to “*charagma*,” and this word is a reference to a stamped image or a mark or an engraved mark.

This choice of meanings offers the translator an excellent opportunity to display his Bible-believing Fundamentalism, or his Liberal Rationalism. We can trust the Lockman Foundation exactly as we could trust Philip Schaff and Origen: They will choose the Liberal position.

The *NASV* reads, “*the exact representation of His nature....*”

The *AV* 1611 reads “**the express image of his person....**”

The “Christ-exalting” translation that promotes Jesus as ‘ ‘the living and eternal word,’ etc., will naturally choose—*which reading?* Be careful, oh man of God, for “**there is death in the pot.**”

7. Every man who says “*Jesus is Lord*” (1 Cor. 12:3) says so by the Holy Spirit, according to the ridiculous translation of the *NASV*. In spite of the fact that “the inspired originals” said “**Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord...**” (Matt. 7:22). You see, the Lockman Foundation—as the National Council of Churches—produced a Bible with real contradictions on the grounds that the *AV* 1611 must have had them to start with. The correct reading for 1 Corinthians 12:3 is naturally found in the Bible of the Waldenses and Reformers and the English Bible of the English-speaking people.

The absence of the article from the Greek text (1 Cor. 12:3) should never upset the mature Christian who is acquainted with the lying stratagems of Bible revisers. There is no

article in Matthew 1:1 in any Greek manuscript in the solar system, but every Bible since 1611 begins the New Testament with **“The book of the generation....”** That is, the objections to the *AV* reading in 1 Corinthians 12:3 are the objections of a two-faced liar.

8. Continuing further in the “unsearchable riches” of the Lockman sewage, we find another *Revised Standard Version* reading of the *ASV* (1901) preserved by its friends in the *NASV*. The reading says “servant” for **“child”** in Acts 4:27. This mistranslation was done with a Greek lexicon open to “paida” where the first and foremost reading every time—in any Greek literature, secular or sacred—is **“child.”** But, since there was a possibility that the Incarnation could be attacked by appealing to some Greek authors who used the word as “servant” in secular literature, the “exception” was used to overthrow the rule (this is the “Inductive Method” of Reasoning), and the *NASV* erases the reference to the Virgin Birth by turning Jesus Christ from God’s **“child”** into God’s “servant.” *Did you know that Cyrus and Nebuchadnezzar and Job were called “God’s servants”?* Do you read your Bible or just trash like the *NASV*?

9. Years ago, there was a heresy well known to Orthodox Christians. This heresy was called “*Docetism*,” and students of Church History are quite familiar with its background and influence. To simplify the heresy so that the reader can grasp its essentials, we shall reduce it to its lowest common terms.

a. Jesus Christ was a man named “Jesus” upon whom “*the Christ*” descended at His baptism (Matt. 3:16).

b. The man “Jesus” was thus “divine” until “*the Christ*” left Him.

c. “*The Christ*” left Him at Calvary, which is manifest by the cry **“My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?”** and only the man Jesus was left to die on the cross.

*The New English Bible, the Revised Standard Version, and Good News For Modern Man* all mistranslate Luke 23:42 so that it will teach the Docetic position. This is done by removing the word **“Lord”** from the text, and then translating the dative case of “Jesus” (in Greek) as a vocative. [We have commented on this at length in *The Christian’s Handbook of Manuscript Evidence*, 1970, which see.]

Now the text which Dr. Afman (Tennessee Temple) uses is so polluted and biased that its authors (Aland, Metzger, etc.) do not even notify the students of the appearance of the *King James* reading in the vast majority of manuscripts. Aland simply ignores the correct reading, **“Lord, remember me...,”** and doesn’t list one manuscript for the reading. There are over 80 uncial manuscripts and over 70 miniscules that have the *AV* 1611 reading. This reading preserves the Lordship of Jesus Christ in His atoning death for sinners, and since the text is from the mouth of a sinner who is seeking salvation, there is not one chance in 400,000 that he could have been saved without recognizing that the man “Jesus” was **“the Lord”** (1 Cor. 12:3).

You see, the only consistent thing about this bunch of egotistical jacklegs is their continual attempts to get people saved by the Son of man (John 9) and the Man Jesus (Luke 23), **“the Son of God”** (*AV* text in John 9:35) and **“Lord”** (Luke 23:42) are not in the thinking of these men who believe in the “verbally inspired originals.”

They are “*Professors*”; they are no more Bible believers than Madalyn Murray

O'Hare and Norman Mailer.

This everlasting refrain about "God-breathed books" is their cover-up to direct your attention away from the authority that God has put in your hand in this century. By doing this, they give you the old inferiority complex which makes you think you must not only rely on their recommendations, but also on their private interpretations. This elevates *Christian Education* to the final seat of authority, and this is where Origen, Pantaeus, and Clement of Alexandria desired education to be. All Greek philosophers believed in education as the final authority in "all matters of faith and practice," and no one would agree to this quicker, in this age, than a Conservative Fundamentalist whose life work was *Christian Education*.

They worship their bellies.

And the noxious pottage (2 Kings 4) will poison your belly.

**"There is death in the pot."**

You see, *Self* has a variety of poses and disguises. No one who reads the literature by Ruth Paxon, Andrew Murray, Watchman Nee, or E. L. Maxwell could be deceived into thinking that simply because a man believed in the Fundamentals of the Faith that he was spiritual or was "seeking to glorify God" or "give Jesus the prominent place." The proof comes when the authority of God Almighty speaks out against the idols of the believer. Then we find what *Self* thinks of God's authority, and we see how *Self* responds to God's authority.

The carnal scholars who spend their lives correcting the *King James* Bible are men in whom *Self* has gained such mastery that they fancy they are equipped to overrule the greatest authority on this earth. This is why they profess that "The Lord Jesus Christ" is the supreme authority. They do it so you will allow them to alter His book and change it to match the demands of *Self*. In this case it is the great *Educated Self*, not the great Drunken Self or Fornicating Self or Atheistic Self. It is the great Educated Self which has placed death in the pot and poisoned the life of the Body of Jesus Christ.

Having examined the attitude of Dr. Neal and Dr. Custer (Bob Jones University), Dr. John R. Rice (*The Sword of the Lord*) and the Lockman Foundation (*The Amplified Version*) toward the Deity of Christ and His Incarnation, when the chips were down and the cards were stacked, *and the unregenerate scholarship of three centuries was testing them for their fidelity to Origen and the Greek Gnostics*, we now turn to places where these men have kidded the student into thinking they were translating any Greek text, let alone "the *original* Greek text."

What Dr. Custer (Bob Jones University) called a "word for word" check (see cover jacket of Second Edition, *NASV*, New Testament) of the Greek text, many times turns out to be a word for word check of an empty hole in the ground.

Again, the reader is encouraged to check all references and all sources, by all means available. Those of us who believe and know the truth and who received the *King James* Bible as an infallible, absolute authority in all matters of faith and practice are never worried about our Biblical "facts" being brought to light. The old bloodstained, blood-bought *AV* 1611 from Waldensian and Vaudois ancestry never has to tremble before any

group of Conservative asses whose brains have gone to seed on Origen, Jerome, Westcott, Hort, A. T. Robertson, Philip Schaff, Aland, Nestle, and other dead-orthodox apostates.

## CHAPTER FIVE

# HELPING GOD INSPIRE THE ORIGINALS

The Conservative Scholars of the 20th century take advantage of the fact that the Christians who read their books and pamphlets know very little about *church history* or *preservation of texts*. While the translators of the Old Latin, Old Syriac, and *Authorized Version* of the Bible may not have had the craftiness and the subtlety (and the duplicity) of the Lockman Foundation and the translators of the *ASV* (1901), they had a vast amount of first-hand, close-up, hand-to-hand *experience with the enemies of Jesus Christ* that this gang knows nothing about.

The *AV* 1611 was hard-fought and hard-won through fifteen centuries of manuscript corruption. The men who translated it had at their disposal every reading of the *NASV* we have discussed so far, for the majority of these readings are from Jerome's Latin Vulgate—via the Jesuit Bible of 1582. Other readings not found in these two Dark Age corruptions are in "Vaticanus"; and as Dr. Wilkinson has already informed us, Erasmus rejected these readings where they contradicted the Receptus of the Waldensians and Albigenses. (The *AV* 1611 is not a Whistler's Mother translation for Campfire Girls, to put the matter plainly.) Bibles like the *ASV* (1901) and the *NASV* (1960-1963) look all right on the shelves of air-conditioned offices where the Christian wears a pressed suit and a necktie and is in more danger of going to sleep watching Johnny Carson than he is getting his head whacked off on a chopping block. But to recommend these "Bibles" for use by militant, aggressive, soul-winning Christians who are on the front lines, facing the enemy 24 hours a day, is the height of absurdity.

If you have checked out the material in the last three chapters carefully, you have come to the rightful conclusion that the *NASV* can properly be classified with bean bags, rubber dollies, jelly beans, clay pigeons, coffee grounds, and papier-maché; there is certainly nothing about it that resembles the famous "**sword of the Spirit**" of which the apostle Paul spoke.

The reason why the dead-orthodox apostates in our midst have been so anxious to displace the *AV* with this text is because once this has been done, then they can claim authority to make any correction on the *King James* text at a later date. The process of leaven (Matt. 13:33) is interesting to watch as its false doctrine now saturates the Body of Jesus Christ.

1. The dead-orthodox apostate is *educated*. This gives him an advantage immediately in the eyes of the laymen, for *education* is one of the gods of America (the other two are *money* and *sex*).

2. The dead-orthodox apostate always makes much over the "verbally inspired *originals*" and writes tons of paper "defending the faith" against nasty old nasties who don't believe in the "verbal inspiration of the infallible *originals*." This gives him the *appearance* of being a Bible believer. Even though he has no Bible in his possession, his

constant references to the “*original text*” and the “God-breathed Book” give him the *appearance* of a man who would not dare tamper with the Holy Book.

3. The dead-orthodox apostate, then, destroys the authority of the word of God and replaces it with his own authority in this fashion:

- a. Only *the original* is infallible.
- b. We don’t have *the original*.
- c. All we have are *translations*.
- d. *Some are reliable*, some are not.
- e. The *AV* 1611 and the *ASV* (1901) are “reliable.”
- f. The *New ASV* (1960) is “*thoroughly*” reliable.
- g. It is the best translation of “*the original Greek text*.”

This illustrates the leavening process that began in 1881-1884 in England. It supplants the Reformation Bible of Protestant martyrs with a depraved, degenerate, pro-Catholic monstrosity and leaves the 20th century Christian with the impression that every change between the *ASV* and the *AV* text is due to error or falsehood in the *AV* 1611. [There are 36,000 of these changes in the English editions of the *RV*, *ASV*, and the *New ASV*, if one includes the changes made in the Old Testament,]

You see, once the chain reaction is started with “There is no infallible, absolute authority available *today*,” it quickly winds up with “The Jesuit Bible of 1582 is the best translation of *the inspired originals*.” You would not think that such a process would take place without a howl of protest coming up from Bob Jones University, Tennessee Temple, Moody, Fuller, BIOLA, Trinity, Columbia, and Wheaton; but, to the contrary, the *NASV*—which these schools recommend—is *the Vatican manuscript of Nestle’s Text*. This is the basis of the Jesuit Bible of 1582, and you will find this evidence documented in *The Christian’s Handbook of Manuscript Evidence*, 1970.

Among the many inane readings in the *New American Standard Garbage* is the reading of 2 Timothy 2:15. Any student of this scripture will be interested to learn that he does not have to study the Bible, nor does the Bible command him to do so. For, here, the word “**Study**” has been stricken out for “Be diligent.” It is also interesting to notice that the *NASV* translators have given up trying to “rightly divide the word of truth” (*AV* 1611), and instead are trying to “Handle it accurately” (see text).

1. There is no Greek text in the universe—let alone “the original Greek text” that says “*handling accurately* the word of truth.”

The invention, here, of the *NASV* is a fancy based on a distaste for truth. No Greek manuscript says “*pselapho*” (or “*doloo*”) here. The word is “*orthotomeo*” in all four families of manuscripts, all cursives and uncials, of any century. The word means to “*divide rightly*,” and its kindred word (“*orthos*”) means “plain,” “right,” “rightly,” “upright,” “straight,” and “even.” [If the corrupt text of Nestle and Aland was the “original Greek text” as John R. Rice advertised it to be, then the *AV* 1611 has translated from the “original” and the *New American Standard Version* was using a dust mop for a Greek text

when they made the mess that they did.]

2. Another “Phantom from the Opera” shows up in Matthew 1:25. Here the “word for word” translation (to cite *The Sword of the Lord*) has written “*and kept her a virgin....*” But what Greek text reads this way?

Nestle? No. Aland? No. Erasmus? No. Stephanus? No. Lachmann? No. Elzevier? No. Brian Walton? No. John Mill? No. Griesbach? No. Tischendorf? No.

You would think that in a passage dealing with the Virgin Birth that a man who believed in the “verbally inspired, et ceteras” would have *some* Greek text in mind, would you not?

But, here, for all of the Body of Christ to see, is a reading that comes from no Greek text; and yet these blatant liars are talking about “word-for-word accuracy,” “true to the original text,” “thoroughly reliable,” and every other untrue, unreal, false prevarication *Self* could invent.

*The literal rendering of Nestle’s text has been placed in the Margin.*

You say, “Well, it is there.”

All right, are you trying to say that a *marginal reading* is a possible reading then? (You must be saying this, for this time the correct reading is in the margin.) Then what do you make of the marginal reference on Matthew 16:18? *That marginal reference does not give the reading of any Greek text any more than this American text (Matt. 1:25) gives the reading of any Greek text.* You see, the corruptions are not only in the text—they are also *in the margin.*

Well, how do these men justify themselves for such an operation?

Simple, again. They say, “This time we are ‘*clarifying*’ the ‘obscure English’” or “We are ‘putting the translation into modern language’ instead of the ‘archaic, Elizabethan English.’” Almost sounds plausible, doesn’t it? (I always did like “Don’t it?” better.) Well, it sounds plausible to a dude who is not used to the “cunning craftiness” (Eph. 4:14) of these Bible-rejecting “Conservatives.” But to the mature Christian who has had experience in dealing with these theological fakirs, the old alibi sounds like air leaking out of a toy balloon.

You see, when the *King James 1611 Authorized Version* is as clear as crystal —“**Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood...**” (Rom. 3:25)—these “Bible believers” resort to the Greek to make it “more accurate,” producing “Whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith...” (Rom. 3:25).

*Clarity? Clearer? Are you mad?*

You see, the trick here, if you are a man like Origen, Eusebius, Jerome, Westcott, Hort, Ellicott, Lightfoot, Nestle, Schaff, Custer, Neal, Robertson, Souter, Laird Harris, or Kenneth Wuest, is to remove the Authorized readings *that are clear* by making them “*more accurate,*” and to remove the “*more accurate readings*” of the *Authorized Version* by *making them clearer.* Do you follow me?

Well, you had better not follow this gang, for they have introduced 5,000 deviations from the correct Greek text in the New Testament and nearly 30,000 in the Old Testament.

3. The Mighty Monarch of the books—the *AV* 1611—has a neat way of doubling back on any man stupid enough to mess with its text, and striking this man at the most inopportune moment in the most embarrassing posture.

After altering three dozen passages like Philippians 3:21 (separating the descriptive adjective from the word it modifies by “of”), we come to Colossians 2:23 in the *NASV*. Here, “**satisfying of the flesh**” (*AV* 1611) has been altered to a reading which appears in no Greek family of manuscripts on the face of the earth, nor is there one ancient translation or one piece of papyrus that reads as the *NASV*: “fleshly indulgence.”

But this is a small matter alongside the “original Greek text” that the Lockman Foundation invented for the verse. You see, educated people who worship the mind very often make “**will worship**” the “first fundamental of the faith.” Observe how the highly accurate and scientific text of 1611 brings this out in Colossians 2:23.

Now the puffed up and bloated egotists whom Satan used to produce his masterpiece have a long standing theory about Colossians 2:23 which is discussed in the works by Luke, Ellis, Lange, Goodspeed, Lipsius, Meyer, Ellicott, Lightfoot, Peake, Meyers, Vincent, Riddle, Haupt, and other Bible-rejecting “Conservatives.”

This theory is that Colossians 2:23 *is not a reference to ascetics who make a God out of willpower*, while they deprive themselves of physical things; but, rather, it is a reference to religions which abuse the body and yet cannot *stop “fleshly indulgences.”*

Now the extreme naivete manifest in such an interpretation is perfectly plain to any man who has had any background in dealing with monks, ascetics, martyrs, gurus, cheldas, and “holy men.” When the ridiculous *NASV* says that “severe treatment of the body” cannot stop “fleshly indulgence,” it is raving like a demented man. Severe treatment of the body is exactly what *does* stop “fleshly indulgence” (1 Cor. 9:25-27). However! It is of no power in curbing the *self-righteous nature* of the man who is worshipping his own ability to abuse himself. Ego is Ego.

This is apparent to nearly every registered psychiatrist (saved or lost) on this earth.

When the translators of the Lockman Foundation ran into Colossians 2:23, they found themselves staring at *their own sins*, exactly as they did when they ran into Romans 1. [You will find the *Revised Standard Version* readings of Romans 1:21, 25, 28 in the text of the *New American Standard Version*.]

Faced with the Lion of the Tribe of Judah roaring fire and smoke right in their face, the Lockman Foundation (as its corrupt ancestors on the 1901 committee) *quickly invented a Greek text* that says what they want it to say. *The reading for Colossians 2:23 in the NASV is not found in any Greek papyrus, cursive, uncial, or family of manuscripts in the universe.*

It is man-made apocrypha, and if anyone tells you different, you tell him to his face he is a liar.

One of the words for “religion,” according to these apostate corrupters, is

“*deisidaimonesteros*” (Greek, Acts 17:22, *NASV*). The word here mistranslated “self-made religion” is “*ethelothreskeia*,” and it no more means “self-made” religion than it means “Mary had a little lamb.”

The reading of the *NASV*, here, is not merely absent from “the *Original* Greek text” and “*the* Greek text,” it is absent from *any* Greek text. It is the translator attempting to “God-breathe” some scripture.

The first word of the compound word “*thelothreskeia*” is “I will.” It is not even related to the word “I made” or “self-made.” The verb for “made” is “*ginomai*” (Greek) or “*gennao*” (1 Peter 2:12).

Furthermore, the mistranslation of “*deisidaimonesteros*” in Acts 17:22 was done to make you think that Greek scholars would not be “**superstitious**” (*King James* text) whatever they were. However, the word “*deisidaimonesteros*” is literally “fearing demons” (!) or “fearing gods” or “fearing evil spirits.” The altering of this word to “religion” in the corrupt *NASV* and *RSV*, and the altering of “**will worship**” to the same word, is very typical of the class of people who worship their minds (as the Greek philosophers did) and assert their own wills over the living words of the living God.

The devout student will certainly never make the mistake of using such a biased perversion as this in his “daily devotions” for “edification.” You can get just as much from the Koran or the Shastas.

4. We have already remarked on the unique reading of 1 John 5:7, 8. This reading, as it stands in the *NASV*, is not found in any Greek manuscript in any family representing any text that any translator ever used since Origen began to call a local pastor a “priest.”

5. The *RSV* reading of Matthew 6:27 has been repeated in the *NASV*, giving us the quaint idea that additions to time are in measurements of cubits. The Greek word “*helikia*” has been used to represent the length of man’s life when the reference is plainly to the height of his stature (see Luke 19:3). The *RSV* reading, copied by the *NASV*, is based on the “*perhaps the whole duration of life*” found on page 186 of the *Interlinear Greek-English New Testament* published by Zondervan, 1967. “Adding a cubit to your life’s span” may make sense to John Lennon and Ringo, but the phrase rings as false in the believer’s ear as the “something” does in Matthew 12:6, where the reference was to the Lord Jesus Christ.

This peculiar statement “something” in Matthew 12:6 was done arbitrarily with no particular reference to anything. The verb (“*estin*”) can have a masculine, feminine, or neuter subject. Rather than give the Lord Jesus Christ the glory for being “**greater than the temple**” (see Matt. 12:6), the ridiculous Lockman Foundation has written “*something greater than the temple....*”

6. In Matthew 26:31, 33, we have the peculiar private interpretation “fall away” inserted at the whim of the translator without any regard for Aleph, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, etc., or PI, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, etc. “Fall away” (according to the *NASV*) is “*apostasia*” (2 Thess. 2:3), not “*skandalisthes*,” as here. Furthermore, the word means a trap-spring, a stumbling-block, a cause of ruin, destruction, misery, a scandal offense, to vex, shock, excite feeling of repugnance, etc. If there is one thing it does not mean, it does not mean “fall away.” Again, this private interpretation was based on the private opinion

of a writer in *the Interlinear Greek-English New Testament* (Zondervan), page 369. No Greek manuscript on earth says “fall away,” nor does any Greek reading suggest such a word. In this case, as several others, what John R. Rice calls “the *original* Greek text” turns out to be a text written eleven years ago. *Pretty late for the “original” wouldn’t you say?*

1. The Post-millennial blasphemy of *The Amplified Version* got back into the *NASV* at John 18:36 because it was the same outfit that published both corruptions. Here, the word “**now**” has been taken out to convince the reader that at no time will Christ’s kingdom ever be “**of this world.**” To do this, the *NASV* translators—as the *NASV* promoters—have had to invent a text which lives only in the imagination of the man who rejects the literal, physical, visible, political advent of Jesus Christ (Rev. 11:15). The word “**now**” is found in every Greek manuscript that contains John 18; the “as it is,” substituted for the Greek word, spots the translator for what he is: a Bible-rejecting heretic, even if Dr. Thieme and Dr. Sala recommend the heresy.

8. The peculiar distortion of Romans 12:1 is the result of translating from thin air instead of Greek manuscripts. The “*spiritual service*” is, of course, a nullity; no such Greek text is found anywhere. The Greek word “*logiken*” is plainly the “logic” of American speech and “**reasonable**” is the only reasonable way to translate it if a man is reasonable. The peculiar penchant for making physical things spiritual was quite typical of the Alexandrian School (A.D. 50-200) of allegorizing. The subject of Romans 12:1, as anyone can see, is the presentation of a physical body, and the malapropism “spiritual service of worship” is an unnecessary confusion of words which teaches nothing and edifies no one. Furthermore, this confusion was not produced by anyone seeking “accuracy” instead of “clarity.” It is inaccurate and muddled, and it is an attempt on the part of the deluded egotist who wrote it to invent “the original Greek text.”

9. The peculiar Arminian teaching that a man can be “*severed*” from Christ is found in the corrupt *NASV* at Galatians 5:4. Greek students who know their lexicography better than Dr. Neal or Dr. Custer (Bob Jones University professors) know that the word used (“*katergethete*”) means “to render useless or unproductive” with a secondary meaning of “to render powerless” or “to make empty.” The word “*sever*” is the private conjecture of the writer of *the Interlinear Greek-English New Testament* based upon the fanatical ravings of the men listed in *The Cross Reference Bible* (Vincent, Haupt, Peake, Kendall, etc.) There is no indication that the Greek word means “sever,” except in the minds of the Bible-rejecting Conservatives who resent the Authorized Text.

10. Neither the text of James 4:5 nor the marginal reading is a Greek translation. Both of the readings (text and margin) are the private conjectures of the authors who have the gall to tell the Lord’s flock that they are “faithfully” translating “the original Greek text.”

Having examined a few of these gems, let us now turn to places where John R. Rice and Bob Jones, III, have recommended that you adopt the readings of the *Revised Standard Version* (1952) and the Jesuit Bible of the Roman Catholic Church.

## CHAPTER SIX

# RESTORING THE DARK AGE “BIBLE”

In our work *The Christian's Handbook of Manuscript Evidence*, we pointed out (and listed) more than twenty verses to prove our thesis—that the *ASV* (1901) recommended by Wheaton, Falwell, Moody, Dallas, Fuller, etc., was the Dark Age *Jesuit Bible of 1582* restored via Westcott and Hort in 1881-1884. This thesis was well known to Dean Burgon nearly 100 years ago. We are not, therefore, dealing with some quaint, new, fanciful “hobbyhorse” that has just sprung up “over night.” The teaching, it is true, may sound novel to the faculty members of dead-orthodox schools who have been isolated from the mainstream of history in their “hideaway,” but we simply attribute this to their ignorance and superstitions and pass by the matter.

Now the facts which have never been controverted by any dead-orthodox apostate are simply the following:

1. The *ASV* (1901)—recommended by Bob Jones University, and the *NASV* (1963)—recommended by Eugene Carson Blake, and the *Rheims* (1582)—recommended by the Jesuit Inquisitors, *are basically the same book*.

2. No scholar of any degree has ever produced any evidence from the text of scriptures to disprove this statement—*nor can he*.

3. Consequently, the dead-orthodox apostates who followed Nestle, Tischendorf, Lange, Dummelow, Peake, Rendall, Westcott, Hort, Haupt, Robertson, Gregory, Trench, Vincent, Wuest, Thieme, and Neal instead of Miller, Scrivener, Burgon, Hills, Fuller, Wilkinson, and Ray can only fuss, fume, spit, and call names in an effort to discredit the truth.

(As we said earlier, this suits our fancy just fine, and we could “care less.” When it comes to “name calling,” some of us have had more experience before we were 30 than may of these men have had in a lifetime of 80 years. And, in addition, we have the advantage of having at our disposal the Monarch of the books, a Book that is thoroughly able to judge the motives, methods, means, ways, and choice of words which any translator uses for any version—Heb. 4:12, 13.)

J. J. Ray has wisely said that “*God Wrote Only One Bible*.” There are translations of that one Bible, but none have been made since 1611. The translations since 1611 (as the *NASV*) are translations of the Vaticanus and Sinaiticus manuscripts, via Westcott and Hort (England) and via Nestle and Aland (Germany). These two corrupt forgeries are discussed at length in the author’s work on “Manuscript Evidence,” and Dean Burgon exhausted the information on them long before the Fundamental schools in America were suckered into recommending the infamous *ASV* (1901).

Now “**the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience**” is highly interested in perverting the words of God (Gen. 3:1). Since he majors in “**disobedience**” (Eph. 2:2), we should not be surprised to find him at work among “Conservative” scholars

who omit “obey the truth” (Gal. 3:1) and “Thou shalt not bear false witness” (Rom. 13:9). Both of these phrases are omitted from the *NASV*, the *ASV*, the *RSV*, and the *official Roman Catholic Bibles of the Roman Catholic Church*.

Birds of a feather flock together (Matt. 13:32).

But this is only the beginning of Roman and Liberal Ecumenicity.

1. Observe the famous gnostic depravation of Socrates and Plato inserted into the New Testament and stuck into the mouth of the living Lord who was no more concerned about discussions of the “*summum bonum*” than the “sunny bonnet.” Matthew 19:17 reproduces this depraved trash exactly as it is recommended by Dr. Martin of Tennessee Temple. This is the reading of the *Revised Standard Version* of 1952, about which the “Fundamentalists” raised such a stink. Well, can a skunk accuse a possum of having bad breath? (He stinks pretty much himself, doesn’t he?)

The corrupt *RSV* reading—preserved in the *NASV*—is the reading of “Marcion the heretic” (Second Century), and it is found in Vaticanus and Sinaiticus. When Origen left Alexandria and took his stenographers and shorthand experts up to Caesarea (230-250), he was able to insert his gnostic corruptions into the Caesarian family and the Hesychian family containing this “stale crumb of Greek philosophy” (to cite Dr. Edward Hills),

To reinforce this depraved reading, both Sinaiticus and Vaticanus had to drop the word “**Good**” before the word “**Master**” in verse 16. This was done so that the only thing that “good” could refer to would be the “**good thing shall I do....**” You will find that the *NASV* (1963) has dropped the word “**Good**” from verse 16 and then inserted the gnostic depravation at verse 17 exactly as Origen and Eusebius (and Constantine) intended it to be.

2. Another one of these “*summum bonum*” wipeouts has been thrust on the reader in Luke 2:14.

Dr. Hills has gone into great length on this reading. His conclusions are naturally more advanced, and his arguments better “thought out” than the superficial guesswork of Neal and Custer (Professors at Bob Jones University).

The margin of the *NASV* coyly tells us that the *King James* reading is “*possible*”; but this is one of those masterpieces of understatement that ranks with such remarks as “In 1970 there were some racial tensions” or “The war in Vietnam didn’t work out too well” or “The cost of living went up a little since World War II.” The “*possible*” to which the Lockman Foundation refers its readers is the fact that the *King James* reading is found in all four families of manuscripts, in every ancient translation, and in citations more than 100 years before Vaticanus was written. The Lockman Foundation—as Dr. Rice, Smith, Harris, Culbertson, and Neal—seems to have confounded A.D. 330-335 with the date of the “original inspired text.”

3. The *RSV*’s attempt to turn the miracle of Luke 23:45 into a natural eclipse (see *RSV*) is reinforced by the *NASV*’s strange rendering: “the sun being *obscured*.” However, this is not the reading of “the Greek text,” and the reference is to the light which the sun put out: *not the sun as an object*. (You can have a failure of light power without any bulb in your house being “obscured” by anything.) The word has been chosen to hint at an eclipse,

although the apostate compromisers who turned out this piece of trivia do not have the nerve to say so, in so many words. The Bible believer may judge for himself (1 Cor. 2:15) what these gentlemen had in mind when they gave their approval to the rendering of the *Revised Standard Version*.

4. The deletion of “**a**” in John 4:24 reads as the *Revised Standard Version*, We have discussed this matter at length in *The Christian’s Handbook of Manuscript Evidence*. The objection that the article is not there means nothing one way or another, for the *NASV* has taken out articles that were there and stuck in articles that were not there on a score of occasions. The word “**a**” here, is the difference between correct doctrine and false doctrine, for the Devil and angels are “**spirit**”—they are simply different spirits from God.

5. The reading of John 9:35 matches the *RSV*.

6. The reading of Luke 24:40 matches the *RSV*.

7. The reading of Mark 7:16 matches the *RSV*.

8. The reading of Luke 2:23 matches the *RSV* and the Roman Catholic Bibles.

9. The “**infallible proofs**” of the resurrection have been removed from Acts 1:3 by the *RSV* and the Roman Catholic Bibles, and the *NASV* goes right along with them by striking out the word “**infallible**.”

10. 11. 12. Romans 1:21, 25, 28 match the *RSV*, for all three verses were aimed by the Holy Spirit at men who “held the truth” and “changed the truth” and “honoured” God without “glorifying” Him and “acknowledged” Him without “retaining Him in their knowledge.” This is the Holy Spirit’s description of the Revision Committees of 1881, 1884, 1901, 1946, 1952, 1960, and 1963. These men, having usurped the place of the Holy Spirit as Authoritative Interpreter, had to alter the verses that He wrote about them. *The NASV altered them just like they were altered in the Communist RSV of 1946 and 1952.*

Now this two-faced duplicity is quite common among some of the people who talk so much about the “verbally inspired originals” while they are destroying the faith of the Body of Christ in the Holy Bible. A famous Conservative evangelist, for example, has been using and recommending the *RSV* in the Japanese language for the missionaries in Japan. [I have a lengthy correspondence with Timothy Pietsch about this matter, and Timothy has been on the field for more than a quarter of a century.] While raising all this stink about the apostate *RSV*, the Lockman Foundation—with the approval of Bob Jones University—has produced a perfect match mate to it, based on the *same manuscripts*, based on the *same approach* to manuscript evidence, containing the *same omissions*, and containing some of the *same attacks* on the Deity of Christ and His Virgin Birth.

When faced with the actual content of the two texts as they stand, one cannot draw a straw between the *ASV* of 1901 and the *RSV* of 1952. The *NASV* of 1960-1963 is just more of the same old godless, depraved crap (Syriac for “manure”), except this time it is recommended by the men who attacked the *RSV*! It’s a strange world, isn’t it?

13. The famous error made in the *RV* of 1884, and continued in the *ASV* of 1901 (and continued in the *RSV* of 1952), stands in its faithful “apostolic succession” in the *NASV* of 1963. Romans 8:1 has lost half of its text, although verse 13 in the context would tell any fool why it should have remained in the scripture. [This is one of the reasons why we

mentioned that the *NASV* is the accumulation of nineteen centuries of errors. It is a monument to the infidelity and stupidity of “Conservatives” who have adopted Textual Criticism as a hobbyhorse.]

Naturally, the Holy Spirit has preserved the “original Greek text” in all four families of manuscripts and the majority of uncials and cursives in any century. *You will find this reading preserved in its infallible purity in the King James Version of 1611.*

14. The judgment seat of “**Christ**” has been altered to the judgment seat of “*God*” in the *NASV* (Rom. 14:10), *exactly as you find it in the Roman Catholic Bible of the Jesuits and the Revised Standard Version of the NCCC*. This breaks the cross-reference to 1-Corinthians 5. It is quite typical of the stupid bungling that these selfish men have done in an effort to reinstall the Rheims of 1582 as the final authority. Nor can there be any doubt in the mind of an honest man as to this intention, for right before his eyes on a nationwide scale (*The Sword of the Lord*, Sept. 17, 1971), he is told that this translation which matches the Rheims of 1582 is from “*the original Greek text.*”

The man who began with “verbal inspiration” (instead of the *King James Bible*) wound up with some “inspired originals” *which Rome had already translated in 1582.*

Now, how’s that for apostasy?

15. The *NASV* follows the lead of the *RSV* in 1 Corinthians 10:28.

16. The *NASV* follows the lead of the *RSV* in 1 Corinthians 11:1 and tries to make the real Christian an “imitator” instead of a “follower.” Any mature Christian knows that the greatest imitator of Jesus Christ is *the Devil*, not Paul or “Thomas a Kempis.”

17. The *RSV* reading of Galatians 6:15 has been reproduced to teach that a man can be a “new creation” without being in Jesus Christ. The careful student of scripture will notice that this false doctrine is expanded to Universal Salvation in Colossians 1:16 by altering the word “**by**” to “*in.*” The real Bible believer should never be deceived by this scholarly “sleight of hand” when dealing with Greek prepositions. The *King James* text (in the other 31,000 plus verses) is well able to determine what preposition should be used if there is any doubt. All things were certainly *not* created “*in Christ*,” although they were created “**by**” Him. The *AV* reading is to be followed over the objections of Dr. Wilbur Smith, Dr. Culbertson, Dr. Afman, Dr. Porter, Dr. Rice, and any other Bible-rejecting “Fundamentalist.”

18. *The RSV reading* of 1 Thessalonians 5:22 has been preserved.

19. *The RSV reading* of 1 Timothy 6:20 has been preserved to protect the science curriculum in the “Christian” schools.

20. *The RSV reading* of Titus 2:13 has been faithfully preserved in the *NASV*, making the Christian a man who is waiting for “the glory” instead of the appearing of Christ. Typical.

21. The Roman Catholic version of James 5:16 has been faithfully preserved for Rome by the Lockman Foundation, and this time we are not even given a marginal reference to the Greek manuscripts which read as the *AV* of 1611. Bible believers who are still on the front lines and tangling with Catholic priests face-to-face know that the *NASV* reading has

been constructed so as to back up the teaching of the Roman Confessional. This is the proof text which priests use, and, again, we can only attribute the reading in the *NASV* to the stupid blundering of inexperienced novices who are not aware of the issues or the problems of their day. The Greek Scholar today—who professes to be a “conservative”—is living in a book-world which was built by men exactly like himself (stay-at-home folks) who never get in a service over 70 degrees. In such an environment it is quite possible for a born-again man to swallow the theories of Origen, Eusebius, Pamphilus, Jerome, Augustine, Calvin, Aquinas, Robertson, Gregory, Trench, Vincent, Thieme, Wuest, Westcott and Hort, Machen, Davis, Moulton, Rendall, Milligan, Souter, Thayer, and Schaff, just as though these men were Bible teachers.

The men listed above were Bible *critics*.

22. 23. 24. Throughout this miserable piece of fourth-hand junk we find the words “**damnation**” and “**damned**” toned down nicely (for the “damned”) by “*sentence*” (Matt. 23:33), “*condemned*” (Mark 16:16), and “*judgment*” (1 Cor. 11:29), exactly as the translators of the *RSV* would wish the Bible to speak. The men who wrote the *RSV* (and promote it) are careful not to say “damn” or “hell” anywhere except on a golf course or while driving. These words are “no-no’s” in the Liberal pulpits, exactly as they are “no-no’s” in the Lockman Foundation. An occasional “hell” has been left in the *NASV* for “Gehenna,” but the Greek word for “hades” has been left untranslated in this “*word for word translation*” (to quote Dr. Custer of Bob Jones University), so the lost and the damned will be able to read most of the text without getting too upset.

25. “*The tree of life*” has been substituted for “**the book of life**” in Revelation 22:19 without any marginal note to tell you that it was changed from the Greek text of Martin Luther, John Calvin, John Knox, the Huguenots, the Waldensians, the Albigenses, the Gothic Christians, the Vaudois, Billy Sunday, J. Frank Norris, Bob Jones, Sr., Dwight L. Moody, Charles G. Finney, John Wesley, and George Whitefield.

You see, Aland, Metzger, and Nestle were afraid to list the manuscript evidence for the correct reading; so, it was omitted in both “critical texts” according to the deep, dark-stained, subjective, prejudiced bias which these men bear against the God-honoured Greek text.

We have now completed a *very brief survey* of the *New American Standard Bible* (New Testament) recommended by the faculty at Tennessee Temple and other “Christ-exalting schools” who profess to believe that the “Bible” does not “contain” the Word of God but “IS” the Word of God.

We were told in *The Sword of the Lord*—what a name for a paper that abandoned the Sword and picked up a bean bag—that this is a “thoroughly reliable translation,” and one that “at last” we can “believe in” (see pages 8 and 9 of Sept. 17, 1971, issue).

Well, having examined the evidence for the “reliability” of this depraved piece of godless clap-trap, let us note what we can “believe” about it.

- a. We can believe that it *attacks* the blood atonement.
- b. We can believe that it *attacks* the Deity of Jesus Christ.
- c. We can believe that it *attacks* the Virgin Birth.

- d. We can believe that it *attacks* the incarnation.
- e. We can believe that it *omits* words and whole verses.
- f. We can believe that it *lies* about manuscript evidence.
- g. We can believe that it teaches *Docetism* and *Arianism*.
- h. We can believe that of all the God-dishonouring pieces of trash that have hit the market since 1880, it is, by all odds, the worst.

Not even the *RSV* or *Good News* or *The New English Bible* could compete with this work, for this work is a masterpiece.

You see, you could not get the saved teachers at Tennessee Temple, Hyles Anderson, or Falwell's school to recommend *The New English Bible*, but you could get them to recommend *this vile translation* that dishonors Jesus Christ and God the Father.

We say, then, that the *NASV* is "Satan's Masterpiece."

This so-called "Bible" can be of more use to him in this age for destroying Biblical Christianity than any other four versions combined, for it succeeds in doing what the *RSV* and the *RV* failed to do. It directs the Christian's faith *to scholarly sinners who despise the authority of the word of God* and causes these Christians to look upon *these sinners* as the final authority.

Rome did this between A.D. 325 and 500, and any man familiar with church history knows the whole process inside and out. The issue is always Authority (see *The Sure Word of Prophecy*, Bible Baptist Bookstore, 1969), and the Adamic Self in the Premillennial, Independent, Conservative, Soulwinning Fundamentalist is the same Adamic Self that lay resident in the bosom of Pope Gregory, Bloody Mary, Adolf Hitler, Carl Chessman, JFK, FDR, and Dr. A. T. Robertson of Louisville Theological Seminary.

The believer who is not on guard against the machinations and designs of this "old man" can actually think that he is glorifying God when he is attacking the Reformation Text of the Protestant Bible. These men are sincerely deluded and willfully deceived. The judgment of history is that no amount of scientific evidence, no amount of gentle exhortation, no amount of written documents, no amount of prayer, no amount of strong rebuke, and no amount of certified facts have ever led one of them to promote the *King James Bible* as the living word of the living God.

Their income, living, image, and prestige depend upon overthrowing it and replacing it with their own education and "authoritative" sources.

In the twisted logic of their distorted imaginations, these saved sinners think that anybody who really believes the Bible is a "crackpot" or a fanatic, and yet these same scholarly sinners will be careful to use nothing but a *King James Bible* when they get before the *Body of Christ—in the open*. It never occurs to any of these men that this is deceitful and treacherous lying. They simply justify it by saying, "The common man is better acquainted with the classic language and the rhythmic cadence of the...etc., etc., etc." What they mean is:

1. I know more than the average Christian.

2. I am smart enough to know that this Reformation Bible is full of mistakes.
3. But I had better not let *them* know that, or they will think that I'm an infidel.
4. So, I'll use their Bible *publicly* in church, and if I get a chance to talk to any of them *privately*, I will impress them with my ability to alter their Bible.

*This is what is now going on in the classrooms of 90% of the "Fundamental" institutions in America today.* If you think I am a liar, talk to their graduates. (Don't take my word for anything; check 'em out, baby—right on.)

Satan's Masterpiece will probably become the "greatest literary masterpiece of this age," for "this age" is the period of the Laodicean Church where God has no rights; only the "people" have rights. As the age wears down to the last, great, final apostasy from the living words of the living God, it would appear that the teachers at Bob Jones University will be the great drum majors to lead the way away from the Reformation truth and back to the fake authority of the Roman Bible. At present this seems like an impossibility to the saved sinners who worship Christian Education instead of God, but "all things are possible" and "time will tell." Keep your eye on the ball, ladies and gentlemen, step this way, the big show is just on the inside. "*Now you see it, now you don't.*"

You have God's word today; tomorrow you may have nothing left but a *New American Standard "Bible."*

To tell the truth about it, the *AV* 1611 has nearly disappeared today from the nation that gave it to the world. In Sears' Fall catalogue for 1971, we are told over and over again (in the section on Bibles) that the *AV* 1611 is no longer available in England. The Conspiracy of Christian Bible Teachers and Fundamental Conservatives who "believed in the verbally inspired flop doodles" has succeeded in wiping out the Bible that was England's birthright from St. Pat and Columba—the Bible that made England the greatest nation on the face of the earth.

God said to Jeremiah that "**a conspiracy**" was found among *the leaders of religious Judah* (Jer. 11:9).

The conspiracy today is an *Educational* conspiracy. It is designed to replace the authority of the Holy Spirit with a Greek Lexicon and the authority of the word of God with the conjectures of dead-orthodox apostates who think that they are gods, and "wisdom shall die with them" (Job 12:2). Furthermore, this conspiracy is as strong as 10,000 Roman Legions, for the very financial life of "Christian Education," in many places, is dependent upon tricking mothers and fathers into thinking that "Junior" is going to a "Bible-believing" Institution. Not only this, but since the Educators allowed the Devil to bind them hand and foot, body and soul, mind and spirit in 1901 —when they recommended the godless *ASV* of Philip Schaff—they are now obligated to continue with their madness or admit their error and confess stupidity openly to the Body of Christ.

Anyone who knows Greek scholars knows that confession of sins like stupidity is not one of their "strong suits." [This is the confession of the *King James* translators in their Dedicatory (see it in any real *AV* from 1611).] The modern Greek scholars who sold Fundamental institutions on the depraved *American Standard Version* of 1901 would not dare confess error, for they have already undertaken to usurp the very place of absolute,

infallible authority. Now, how could an absolute, infallible authority be guilty of making an error? Why, he couldn't.

Consequently, you are wasting your time if you are waiting for any man who has pushed and promoted the *ASV* (1901) to confess his error and his sin against the Word of God. He will not do it. Such a confession is an admission that:

1. He was deceived by the Devil.
2. His education went to his head instead of his *heart*.
3. His brains went to his head instead of *the Throne of Mercy*.
4. He was a man-pleaser who followed “the majority of Conservative Scholars” instead of the Holy Spirit—about whom he talked so much and for whom he replaced “**itself**” with the masculine gender in Romans 8:26 as an “earned honour.”
5. He wilfully rejected the truth, which is evident by the fact that he was willing to recommend a Bible (*any American Standard Version*) which had in it Christ-denying, God-dishonoring passages.

(I have never met one Greek scholar in 28 years of ministry who was humble enough to confess the kind of sin we are talking about here. Adultery? Yes, Fornication? Yes. Smoking or drinking? Yes. Jealousy or hatred? Yes. Laziness or indifference? Yes. Lack of love for souls? Yes. But, stupidity? Not on your life.)

This binds the conspirators in an iron-clad bondage of fellowship which no acetylene torch in the world could put asunder. As there is “honour among thieves,” it is the bonded-duty, sworn under an oath of blood, that these educators must promote something like the *ASV* (1901) or the *NASV* (1960) until “death do them part.” And they will do it. They will do it no matter what the facts are, no matter how much evidence from English or Greek texts is produced, no matter how miserably the *ASV* and *NASV* fail to impress themselves on the Body of Christ, no matter how much damage their meddling does to evangelism and Bible revival, and no matter how many Bible-rejecting “Christians” their teaching produces. They must either sail straight on into perdition or they must wheel about and chart a course back to the living words of the living God. To do the latter, they would “lose face” before three generations of Christians.

You can bet you bottom dollar they will not repent.

“Apostasy,” according to Dr. Scofield, is incurable. The apostate’s teaching is bound up with his living, and in this case the apostate’s teaching is also bound up with scholastic reputation, religious standing, social image, and prestige.

He has only one course open: sail straight on back to Rome and destroy the Christians as he goes.

This is what the conspirators *will do*. This is what *they are doing*. And this is what *they have been engaged in* since the Revised Version Committee of 1884.

Don’t expect any of them to return to “the word of God” or go “back to the Bible” (as Dr. Epp falsely advertises). They are busy heading “hell-bent for election” straight into outer darkness; and if you are still blinded enough, after reading this booklet, to board

their spaceship, you deserve to get what you are going to get at the Judgment Seat of Christ, “magna cum laude.”

God has placed within your grasp the greatest Book He ever gave to people. This Book was not placed into the hands of the nation of Israel, for only the king and priests had copies of “the verbally inspired originals.”

This Book was not placed into the hands of the first century Christians who copied “the verbally inspired, God-breathed, et cetera,” for these people were confined to the Roman Empire and could preach to no one in the East Indies, West Indies, Japan, China, Greenland, Iceland, Prussia, Latvia, Lithuania, Finland, Australia, North and South and Central America, South Africa and Canada.

*The greatest Book that God ever gave to human beings on the face of this earth was the English Bible of the Protestant Reformation.* The “verbally inspired original et ceteras” were useful in their day in the *limited sphere* in which they were expounded, but this Book went to the ends of the earth and was responsible for more conversions in its time than the God-breathed “originals” were in the day of their usage.

Now this seems like blasphemy to the dead-orthodox heretic who is correcting the *AV* 1611 with Nestle’s text and *pretending* that Nestle’s is the “*original* Greek text” (see Dr. Rice in *The Sword of the Lord*, Sept. 17, 1971). But this is only because of the sacerdotal sacred cows that pagan priests of every priest class keep in stable. Catholic priests have “Holy water,” “Holy Mary”, “Holy Mother Church,” “Holy Days,” “Holy Father,” “Holy Mass,” and “Holy, holy, and holy” (and Hollywood and hollyhocks).

The superstitious reverence with which Greek scholars hold the unavailable “God-breathed originals” in awe is quite similar to this pagan liturgy. That is, they hold something “Holy” *which is not available now*, while they defile the Holy Bible which God placed in their hands and in the hands of more than 95% of the major nations of this world. You see, the Textus Receptus of Erasmus was in use in Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Bulgaria, Iceland, Russia, Belgium, Holland, Norway, Switzerland, and Sweden long before Martin Luther; and under the greatest Book God ever gave a nation, it went into China, Japan, India, Tibet, Australia, New Zealand, New Guinea, the New Hebrides, Canada, Central, North, and South America, Mexico, Africa, Arabia, Persia, Ceylon, the West and East Indies, the Hawaiian Islands, Africa, and outer Mongolia. And—then—outer space!(1970).

The church that “**kept**” God’s word (Rev. 3:10) was not the Ephesian church of the first two centuries; *it was the Philadelphia church of the Reformation* (Rev. 3:7).

Now, as the Laodicean church heads out into the inky blackness of outer darkness, carrying with it the great “New American Revised Standard Authorized Holy Roman Gentile New Ecumenical Bible” of the Antichrist, the Christians are invited to get on board. This time, the invitation does not come from the “*Liberals*,” the “*Neo-orthodox*,” or the “*New Evangelicals*.” It comes *from The Sword of the Lord and the leading Fundamental “Bible” schools in America.*

If you get aboard you are a bigger fool than the Christians who recommend the *ASV* of 1901. The *NASV* (1960) is *not* a Bible: *It is Satan’s Masterpiece.*

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