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The DANGER of the Modern Bible Versions (The New King James Version) (Dr. Terry Watkins Th. D.)

The following is **part 1** of a study on the danger of modern Bible versions. In this study, we will be looking at every modern version and seeing its dangers and why we as English speaking Christians need to use **ONLY the King James Bible!** Please look for a new study on modern versions posted in upcoming issues of Hunger For Truth. We trust this will be edifying and convicting as well as a blessing and encouragement to readers. Thank you for reading. We praise God for the privilege of being able to share this study with you. May God richly bless!

In this issue, we will be studying the dangers of the New King James Version of the Bible. Let's begin:

THE NEW KING JAMES VERSION COUNTERFEIT

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counterfeit \ˈkaunt-er-fit\ : to imitate or copy closely
especially with intent to deceive

The greatest method of deception is to counterfeit. And the master of counterfeit and deception is Satan.

The Bible in 2 Corinthians 11:14-15 warns of Satan's counterfeit: *"And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness;. . ."* Isaiah 14: 14 tells of Satan's ultimate counterfeit: *". . . I will **BE LIKE the most High.**"*

And among his greatest counterfeit's is the New King James Bible (NKJV). Christians that would never touch a New International Version (NIV), New American Standard (NASV), Revised Standard (RSV), the New Revised Standard (NRSV) or other *per*-versions are being "seduced" by the subtle NKJV.

And though the New King James does indeed bear a "likeness" to the 1611 King James Bible, as you'll soon see, there's something else coiled (see Genesis 3:1) *"underneath the cover"* of the NKJV.

The Preface to the New King James Version (NKJV) reads, *"A special feature of the New King James Version is ITS **CONFORMITY** to the thought flow of the 1611 Bible. . . the new edition, **while much clearer ARE SO CLOSE** to the traditional. . ."*

Among the first *changes* that greets the reader of the NKJV is the removal of the much maligned *"thee, thou and ye"*. The Preface to the NKJV states, *". . .thee, thou, and ye are replaced by the simple you. . . **These pronouns are no longer part of our language.**"* But "thee, thou and ye" were *"NO LONGER part of the language"* during 1611 either. (just read the intro to the 1611 King James, there are no "thee", "thou" and "ye"). In fact, *Webster's Third New International Dictionary*, says of **ye**: *"used from the earliest of times to the late 13th century. . ."* (p.2648) And yet the 1611 King James was published 400 years later in the 17th century!

So why are they there?

The Greek and Hebrew language contain a different word for the second person *singular* and the second person *plural* pronouns. Today we use the one-word "you" for both the singular and plural. But because the translators of the 1611 King James Bible desired an *accurate, word-for-word* translation of the Hebrew and Greek text - **they could NOT use the one-word "you" throughout!** *If it begins with "t" (thou, thy, thine) it's SINGULAR, but if it begins with "y" (ye) it's PLURAL.* Ads for the NKJV call it "the Accurate One", and yet the 1611 King James, by using "thee", "thou", "ye", is far more accurate!

By the way, if the "thee's" and "thou's" are *". . .no longer part of our language"* - why aren't the NKJV translators rushing to make our hymnbooks "much clearer"? "How Great Thou Art" to "How Great You Are", or "Come Thou Fount" to "Come You Fount" *Doesn't sound right, does it?* Isn't it amazing that they wouldn't dare "correct" our hymns - **and yet, without the slightest hesitation, they'll "correct" the word of God!**

The NKJV claims to make the "old" KJV "much clearer" by *"updating obsolete words"* (*New King James Version*, 1982e. p. 1235)

How about that *"obsolete word"* - **"hell"**. The NKJV removes the word "hell" 23 times! And how do they make it "much clearer"? **By replacing "hell" with "Hades" and "Sheol"!** *Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary* defines Hades: *"the underground abode of the dead in Greek **MYTHOLOGY**".* By making it "much

clearer" - they turn your Bible into **MYTHOLOGY**! Not only that, Hades is not always a place of torment or terror! The Assyrian Hades is an abode of blessedness with silver skies called "Happy Fields". *In the satanic New Age Movement, Hades is an intermediate state of purification!*

Who in their right mind would think "Hades" or "Sheol" is "up-to-date" and "much clearer" than "hell"?

Matthew 16:18

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

NKJV: "And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and **the gates of Hades** shall not prevail against it."

Luke 16:23

KJV: "And **in hell** he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom."

NKJV: "And being in torments **in Hades**, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom."

Hell is removed in 2 Sam. 22:6, Job 11:8, 26:6, Psalm 16:10, 18:5, 86:13, 116:3, Isaiah 5:14, 14:15, 28:15,18, 57:9, Jonah 2:2, Matt. 11:23, 16:18, Luke 10:15, 16:23, Acts 2:27, 31, Rev. 1:18, 6:8, 20:13,14.

Then the NKJV decides that maybe "Hades" should be "grave"! So the NKJV makes 1 Corinthians 15:55 "much clearer" by changing "grave" to "Hades"! ". . . **O Hades**, where is your victory?" **Clear as mud** . . .

Another one of those "obsolete words" is "repent". They take it out 44 times! And how does the NKJV make it "much clearer"? In Matthew 21:32 they use "relent". Matthew 27:3 it's "remorseful" Or Romans 11:29 they change "repentance" to "irrevocable".

The term "new testament" is NOT in the NKJV! (see Matt. 26:28, Mark 14:24, Luke 22:20, 1 Cor. 11:25, 2 Cor. 3:6, Heb. 9:15.) The NKJV replaces "new testament" with "new covenant" (ditto NIV, NRSV, RSV, NASV). *An obvious assault at the written word!*

The word "damned", "damnation" is NOT in the NKJV! They make it "much clearer" by replacing it with "condemn" (ditto NIV, RSV, NRSV, NASV). **"Condemned" is NO WHERE NEAR AS SERIOUS as "damned"! Damned is eternal!** One can be "condemned" and not "damned". Romans 14:22 says, ". . . *Happy is he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth.*" Webster defines "condemned": to declare to be wrong, but the much more serious and eternal "damn": "to condemn to hell".

The word "devils" (the singular, person called the "devil" is) is NOT in the NKJV! Replaced with the "transliterated" Greek word "demon" (ditto NIV, RSV, NRSV, NASV). *The Theosophical Dictionary* describes demon as: ". . . it has a meaning identical with that of 'god', 'angel' or 'genius'". Even *Vines Expository Dictionary of Biblical Words* (p.157) defines "demon" as: **"an inferior deity, WHETHER GOOD OR BAD"**. Webster defines "demon" as: "divinity, spirit, an attendant power or spirit", but "devil" as: *"the personal supreme spirit of EVIL. . ."*

In 2 Timothy 2:15, the NKJV (like the NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV) remove that "obsolete" word - **"study"**! The only time you're told to "study" your Bible. **AND THEY ZAP IT!** *Why don't they want you to "study" your Bible? Maybe they don't want you to look too close - you might find out what they've ACTUALLY done to your Bible!* The "real" KJV is the only English Bible in the world that instructs you to "study" your Bible!

That "obsolete" word "virtue" is replaced with "power" in Mark 5:30, Luke 6:19, 8:46! How does anybody

confuse "virtue" with "power"? *Simple - by being "bosom-buddies" with the NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV! That's what they did!*

One of the most absurd changes ever made is changing the word "servant" to "slave"! The NKJV in Romans 6:22, reads: *"But now having been set FREE from sin, and having become **SLAVES OF GOD**. . ."* The NKJV, in 1 Corinthians 7:22, calls the Christian, **"Christ's slave"**. Talk about a contradiction! John 8:36 says, *"If the Son therefore shall make you FREE, **YE SHALL BE FREE INDEED**."* But isn't a Christian supposed to serve? Yes, in love. Not as a slave! Galatians 5:13 explains it, perfectly: *"For, brethren, ye have been called unto LIBERTY; (not slavery!) only use not LIBERTY for an occasion to the flesh, but **BY LOVE SERVE one another**."*

In order to "harmonize" with the satanic New Age Movement (and of course the NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV!), the NKJV changes *"end of the **WORLD**"* to *"end of the **AGE**"*! And in it's no longer the *"**WORLD** to come"* but *"**AGE** to come"*. The New Age Movement teaches a series of ages (hence the name: New **AGE**). See Matthew 12:32, 13:39, 13:40, 13:49, 24:3, 28:20, Mark 10:30, Luke 13:30, 20:34,35, 1 Cor 1:21.

The New Age Movement and the occult are longing for one called the Maitreya. The Bible calls him the Anti-Christ. New Ager's refer to him as the *"**the Coming One**"* - **AND SO DOES THE NKJV!** In Luke 7:19, 20 (see also Matt 11:3) John told his disciples to ask Jesus: *"**Are You THE COMING ONE**. . ."* In the "The Great Invocation", a "prayer" highly revered among New Agers and chanted to "invoke" the Maitreya, says, *"Let Light and Love and Power and Death, Fulfil the purpose of **the Coming One**."*

*And to REALLY show their sympathy with the satanic New Age Movement - **BELIEVE IT OR NOT - in Acts 17:29 the New Age NKJV changes "Godhead" to "Divine Nature"**! (ditto NIV, NASV)*

And if you think the NKJV just "innocently" updated the "obsolete words", removed the "thee's and thou's" - here's what the translators proudly admit: *"**IT IS CLEAR** that this revision **REQUIRED** more than the dropping of *"-eth"* endings, removing, *"thee's"* and *"thou's,"* and updating obsolete words." (The New King James Version, 1982e. p. 1235)*

AND THEY AIN'T JUST A KIDDIN'!

Here's a sampling of the *required* changes:

Genesis 2:18: The NKJV ought to make Hillary Clinton proud: *"And the Lord God said, It is not good that man should be alone; I will make a helper **COMPARABLE TO HIM**"*

Genesis 22:8: One of the greatest verses in the Bible proclaiming that Jesus Christ was God in the flesh: *"God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering:"* The NKJV adds that little word "for": *"God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering"* And destroys the wonderful promise! Where'd they get their little "for"? **From the NASV!**

Genesis 24:47: The "old" KJV reads: *"I put the **earring** upon her face"*. But the NKJV has different plans for beautiful Rebekah: *"I put the **nose ring** on her nose"*. Where did it get the ridiculous idea to "cannibalize" Rebekah? *Just take a peek at the NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV!*

Ezra 8:36: The KJV reads, *"And they delivered the king's commissions unto the king's **lieutenants**. . ."* The "much clearer" NKJV reads, *"And they delivered the king's orders to the king's **satraps**. . ."* Who in the world thinks "satraps" is "much clearer" than lieutenants? **The NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV - they do! They put in the same "much clearer" word!**

Psalms 109:6: removes "*Satan*". (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV).

Matthew 7:14: change "*narrow is the way*" to "*difficult is the way*". There's nothing "**difficult**" about the salvation of Jesus Christ! Jesus says in Matt. 11:30, "*For my yoke is EASY, and my burden is light.*" **THE EXACT OPPOSITE!** Boy, you talk about a contradiction!

Matthew 12:40: change "*whale*" to "*fish*" (ditto NIV) I don't guess it matters (what's the truth got to do with it?), the Greek word used in Matthew 12:40 is *ketos*. The scientific study of whales just happens to be - **CETOLOGY** - from the Greek *ketos* for whale and *logos* for study! The scientific name for whales just happens to be - **CETACEANS** - from the Greek *ketos* for whale!

Matthew 18:26 & Matthew 20:20: The NKJV removes "*worshipped him*" (robbing worship from Jesus) (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

Mark 13:6 & Luke 21:8: removes "*Christ*" (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

John 1:3: change "*All things were made BY him;*" to "*All things were made THROUGH Him*" (NIV, NRSV, RSV)

John 4:24: change "*God is a spirit*" to the impersonal, New Age pantheistic, "*God is spirit*" (NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV)

John 14:2: (NKJV 1979 edition) change "*mansions*" to "*dwelling places*" (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

John 14:16: change "*comforter*" to "*helper*"(refers to Holy Spirit) (NASV)

Acts 4:27, 30: change "*holy child*" to "*holy servant*" (refers to Jesus) (NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV)

Acts 12:4: change "*Easter*" to "*Passover*" (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

Acts 17:22: changes "*superstitious*" to "*religious*" (NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV)

Acts 24:14: change "*heresy*" to "*sect*" (NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV)

Romans 1:18: change "*hold the truth*" to "*suppress the truth*" (NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV)

Romans 1:25: change "*changed the truth*" to "*exchanged the truth*" (NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV)

Romans 5:8: change "*commendeth*" to "*demonstrates*" (NIV, NASV)

Romans 16:18: change "*good words and fair speeches*" to "*smooth words and flattering speech*" (NIV, NASV, NRSV)

1 Cor. 1:21: change "*foolishness of preaching*" to "*foolishness of the message preached*" (ditto NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV) There's nothing foolish about the gospel of Jesus Christ. **Unless you're not saved!** 1 Cor. 1:18 says: "*For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish FOOLISHNESS. . .*" I wonder where that leaves the translators of the NKJV, NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV?

1 Cor. 1:22: change "*require*" to "*request*" (NASV)

1 Cor. 6:9: removes "*effeminate*" (NIV, NRSV, RSV)

1 Cor. 9:27: change "*castaway*" to "*disqualified*" (NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV)

2 Cor. 2:10: change "*person of Christ*" to "*presence of Christ*" (NASV, NRSV, RSV)

2 Cor. 2:17: With all the "corruptions" in the NKJV, you'd expect 2 Cor. 2:17 to change. **IT DOES!** They change, "*For we not as many which **CORRUPT** the word of God*" to "*For we are not, as so many, **PEDDLING** the word of God*" (ditto NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV)

2 Cor. 5:17: change "*new creature*" to "*new creation*" (NIV, NRSV, RSV)

2 Cor. 10:5: change "*imagination*" to "*arguments*". Considering New Age "imaging" and "visualization" is now entering the church, this verse in the "old" KJV just won't do. (NIV, RSV)

2 Cor. 11:6: change "*rude in speech*" to "*untrained in speech*" (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

Gal. 2:20: omit "*nevertheless I live*" (NIV, NASV, NRSV, RSV)

Phil. 2:6: (NKJV 1979e.) change "*thought it not robbery to be equal with God*" to "*did not consider equality with God something to be grasped*". (robs Jesus Christ of deity) (NIV, NASV, RSV)

Phil. 3:8: change "*dung*" to "*rubbish*" (NIV, NASV, NRSV)

1 Thess. 5:22 change "*all appearance of evil*" to "*every form of evil*" (NASV, RSV, NRSV)

1 Timothy 6:5: The NKJV changes "*gain is godliness*" to "*godliness is a **MEANS OF** gain*". There are NO Greek texts with "means of" in them! Where, oh where, did they come from? Care to take a wild guess? **YOU GOT IT!** The NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV!

1 Timothy 6:10: The NKJV changes "*For the love of money is the root of all evil:*" to "*For the love of money is a root of all **KINDS OF** evil*". The words "**KINDS OF**" are found in NO Greek text in the world! Where did they get them? **Straight from the NIV, NASV, NRSV!**

1 Tim. 6:20: change "*science*" to "*knowledge*" (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

Titus 3:10: change "*heretic*" to "*divisive man*" (NIV)

Hebrews 4:8 & Acts 7:45: "*Jesus*" is changed to "*Joshua*". (NIV, NASV, RSV)

2 Pet. 2:1: change "*damnable heresies*" to "*destructive heresies*" (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

1 John 3:16: remove "*love of God*"; (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

1 John 5:13: The NKJV reads: "*These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may **CONTINUE TO** believe in the name of the Son of God.*" They add "CONTINUE TO" without any Greek text whatsoever! Not even the perverted NIV, NASV, NRSV and RSV go that far! A cruel, subtle (see Genesis 3:1) attack on the believer's eternal security!

Rev. 2:13: change "*Satan's seat*" to "*Satan's throne*" (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

Rev. 6:14: "Heaven" is changed to "sky" in (NIV, NASV, RSV, NRSV)

AND THAT DOESN'T SCRATCH THE SURFACE OF ALL THE CHANGES!

The NKJV removes the word "Lord" 66 times!

The NKJV removes the word God 51 times!

The NKJV removes the word "heaven" 50 times!

In just the New Testament alone the NKJV removes 2,289 words from the KJV!

The NKJV makes over 100,000 word changes!

And most will match the NIV, NASV, RSV, or RSV!

And Thomas Nelson Publishers have the audacity to claim in an ad for the NKJV (Moody Monthly, June 1982, back cover), "**NOTHING HAS BEEN CHANGED** except to make the original meaning clearer."

The New King James is a COUNTERFEIT!

It's NOT NEW! The changes are already in the NIV, NASV, NRSV, or RSV!

And it's certainly NOT true to the 1611 King James Bible!

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Only Jesus Saves! (John 14:6)

Relationship With God Through Jesus Christ

YOU can have a relationship with God through the Lord Jesus Christ!

1. **Realize God Loves YOU!** -- John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."
2. **Understand everyone is a sinner.** -- Romans 3:23, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"
3. **Sin has a price that must be paid.** -- Romans 6:23, "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."
4. **Jesus paid the price for your sin.** -- Romans 5:8, "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."
5. **Receive Christ as your Saviour.** -- Romans 10:13, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

:) Children For Christ :)

Christ's Resurrection Word Unscramble

Memory Verse: Romans 10:13 -- For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Please unscramble the words below about our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and His glorious Resurrection!

1. DREMEREE _____
2. LENAMIUM _____
3. VASIORU _____
4. PTYME BTMO _____
5. SRURERNOITCE _____
6. SOTNE _____
7. EH SI RNEIS _____
8. RLLODE YAAW _____

Answers: 1. Redeemer 2. Emmanuel 3. Saviour 4. Empty Tomb 5. Resurrection 6. Stone 7. He is Risen 8. Rolled Away

Consider This: (Quotes)

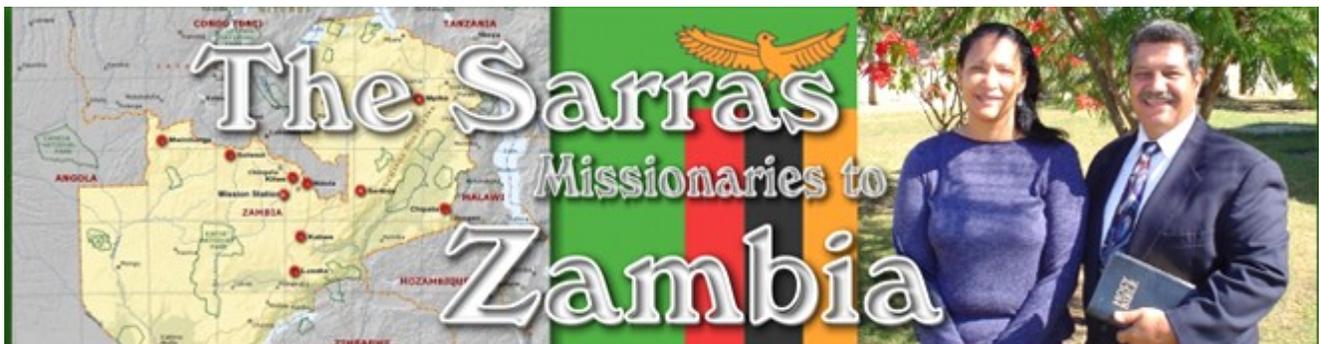
“If He laid down His life for us, is it not the least we can do to lay down ours for Him? If He bore the cross and died on it for me, ought I not to be willing to take it up for Him?” – *D.L. Moody*

“We ought to be living as if Jesus died yesterday, rose this morning, and is coming back this afternoon!”

Praises and Prayer Requests

Praises

- Praise God for the safe arrival of John and Lorna Sarra to the states on furlough 3/22! God has used the Sarras to help plant 313 churches in Zambia, Botswana, the Congo and other surrounding regions!!



Prayer Requests

- First Bible Baptist Church street preaching ministry (Salvation, spiritual growth, Jose – a young man recently saved during preaching in New Britain!) (Giovanni – Salvation) (Fruit from over 2,000 tracts passed out at the 2015 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Hartford!!)
- Wedding for Bro. Craig and Sister Tash on May 2, 2015
- Mike Jordan (Being discipled by Bro. Lacroix)
- Salvation of Brother Andrew Lacroix's family
- Salvation of Wendy and friend Ben, Jacob, Kaitlyn, Sybil and Bernice (Family of Craig Glickman)
- Kelly Freeman (Cystic Fibrosis)
- Job needs for Brother Craig
- Sarra Family (Missionaries to Zambia Africa) (John – Health needs – back, liver) (Now in the states on furlough) (Helped plant 313 churches in Zambia, Botswana, The Congo and surrounding regions!)

- Wisdom regarding developing the new location for Heritage Baptist Church in Norwood, MA center.
- Sherrie (Sister of Bro. Craig's Fiancee Tash) (Lymph Nodes) (Heart issues)
- Abby Lafreniere (ALS) (Wife of Pastor John Lafreniere, church planter to Fairfield, CT)
- Dr. Michael Thompson (Member of Heritage Baptist Church of Norwood, MA) (Brain cancer)
- Pastor Gary Freeman (Race Street Baptist Church in Catasauqua, PA) who is battling colon cancer
- Missionary Tim Hawes (To Papua New Guinea) (Church Planting, Bible Translation, Agricultural Development)
- Brother Bill Moore of Heritage Baptist Church (Health needs)
- Needs of the body at First Bible Baptist Church of Plainville, CT
- Needs of the body at Heritage Baptist Church of Norwood, MA
- Needs of the body at Community Baptist Church of Quakertown, PA
- Needs of the body at Race Street Baptist Church of Catasauqua, PA
- Needs of the body at Heartland Baptist Church of Alliance, NE
- Needs of the body at New Hope Baptist Church of Lynn, MA
- Needs of the body at Chester Baptist Church of Chester, MA

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Thank you for reading this. We praise God for all our dear brothers and sisters in Christ and we greatly appreciate your prayers. May each and every one of you be richly blessed as we serve our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

His Servants,

Craig Glickman

Andrew Lacroix

Prov. 3:5-6

1 Thes. 5:18

