

## KING JAMES THE FIRST

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*You might have heard about King James, or seen a documentary claiming to represent him. He is almost universally shown in a bad light. But is this the reality?*

June 19 was King James' birthday, and a holiday like Queen's Birthday is in Victoria.

The Protestant Bible for the world today is the King James Bible. The Bible is named after a particular king of England, King James the First (1567–1625). God has allowed this man to have his name attached to the Bible which he authorised, which is an honour. And this gives the greatest reason why the good name of King James is slandered, because the world is set against the Bible which he moved into existence and funded.

King James was actually a good Christian man, learned, able, fit, intelligent, loving, etc. This is what one contributor to Encyclopaedia Britannica Online Edition (2001) wrote, "... he was characterized as hunchbacked and ugly, with a tongue too large for his mouth and a speech impediment that obscured his words. It was said that he drank to excess and spewed upon his filthy clothing. It was also rumoured that he was homosexual and preyed upon the young boys brought to service at court. This caricature, which has long dominated the popular view of James I, was largely the work of disappointed English office seekers whose pique clouded their observations and the judgments of generations of historians."

The Bible says, "Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you *from their company*, and shall reproach *you*, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward *is* great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets. But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have received your consolation. Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep. Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets." (Luke 6:22–26).

Jesus said that people would "cast out your name as evil". This is exactly what has happened to King James, and the Bible with his name. The books, dramas and documentaries which show King James in a bad light are actually linking in with the spirit of Antichrist and its attack on the Bible.

If you want to read more about King James, read the *Dedication* in the front of the King James Bible.