# Receiving the King James Bible Only



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#### Introduction

Of all things to obtain, nothing is better than to obtain the best thing from God.

"I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich".

(Revelation 3:18a.)

This verse contains symbolic language, but it is clear what it means. The gold means the best thing, the highest prize. It is speaking about our Christian religion in its best form. It is a prophecy of Christianity which uses the King James Bible only.

The words of the translators of the King James Bible from 1611 also indicate this, saying, "but let us rather bless God from the ground of our heart for working this religious care in him to have the translations of the Bible maturely considered of and examined. For by this means it cometh to pass, that whatsoever is sound already, ... the same will shine as gold more brightly, being rubbed and polished; also, if any thing be halting, or superfluous, or not so agreeable to the original, the same may be corrected, and the truth set in place."

### Received Tradition

When we heard and responded to the Gospel, it was not a new thing, though it may have been new to us. It was, in fact, something which was sent into the Earth long ago. The Word of God was given many generations before we were born, yet we have been able to receive it.

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# "He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered *them* from their destructions." (Psalm 107:20).

We did not have to do anything to be saved, but to believe the Word of God, receive, and act accordingly. We do not have to work to earn or obtain salvation. The only effort required is believing.

The fundamental idea of the Reformation — and it is the whole point of the New Testament — is that we should simply believe, receive and then produce the fruits.

"So then faith *cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

(Romans 10:17).

The Word of God is the Holy Bible. And where did the Scripture come from?

"The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it."

(Psalm 68:11).

It should be very easy for us all to understand that we have a special written message from God, the Holy Bible, which God's servants preach and teach.

Yet, we did not have to know all about the Word of God, where it came from, and all doctrines it contained, to come to know God by faith in Jesus Christ. We were able to believe in Christ by believing that what we were hearing was the Word of God, and so had the witness in our spirit concerning the Gospel by accepting its truth.

Since the time we have come into salvation by being born again, we should continue in the Word of God. We are commanded to study the Word of God we have received. The Scripture itself teaches that the truth from the time of the Apostles has endured to the present day.

"And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also."

(2 Timothy 2:2).

This Gospel and its associated proper traditions have been transmitted through time, and have been delivered to the present Christians. True Christianity today is in line with the historical true teachings of the Church, and there are large distinctions between the true tradition, and false teachings.

"Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us."

(2 Thessalonians 3:6).

By the twenty-first century there were great shifts in Christianity from the traditional Biblical basis into many varying doctrines, and much denying of the truth of Scriptures. The rising apostasy was directly linked with how the Scriptures were being received: "they received not the love of the truth" (see 2 Thessalonians 2:10).

#### The Word is foundational

We must identify what the most basic truth is, because it would be the foundation and bedrock upon which all our understanding is built.

"If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?"

(Psalm 11:3).

Obviously the Word of God must be our primary and final authority. We are starting from the Word of God, establishing that the Word of God is true, right and foundational.

"Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock".

(Matthew 7:24).

The very fact that we quote Scripture, and confidently assert that Jesus spoke those words, is fundamental to the whole idea. Some people say that this is a circular argument, but if you have to start from the Word of God, then surely the Word of God would be vindicated.

We are not looking to find out whether or not the Word of God is true, we are not hunting for supposed contradictions in the Bible: we simply embrace it as truth, and find that it authenticates itself every time and on every line.

God would not lie (see Hebrews 6:18), and He calls His Word truth (see John 17:17), so we should believe it, and that He will do what He says, and that He will bring to pass what He has promised. This, after all, is a major theme throughout the Bible: God is linked to His Word, He is obligated to perform it, because it is His law, and whatever He says is true, regardless of other ideas or appearances.

God is directly interested in the Church's operation in the world. There are many Scriptures which show that God is ruling over history, and bringing to pass His will, despite the presence of sin and corruption.

# The Word is a gift

Jesus said, "I have given them thy word" (John 17:14a), so it is a gift, and must be received as a gift. We do not start by trying to get something, but by seeing that something is given. We cannot earn it, or try discover it for ourselves.

"Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness."

(Isaiah 55:1, 2).

The water, food, wine, milk and bread are all symbolic of the Word of God. This can easily be proven with just a few passages:

"That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God."

(Luke 4:4b).

"[Ye] are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe."

(Hebrews 5:12b, 13).

"As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby".

(1 Peter 2:2).

Isaiah's prophecy straight away links the references to drinking and eating to receiving the Word of God.

"Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, *even* the sure mercies of David."

(Isaiah 55:3).

People do not have to labour to obtain the bread from God. They do not have to strive to find water from God. As believers, we should easily recognise God's prior, abundant provision to us.

"For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel; Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth".

(Colossians 1:5, 6).

#### The case for truth

Because of the truth of Scripture, we have no reason to doubt He will fail. No man is the author of the Scripture, and no man is able to take it away. The Word which has been given has been put into the hands of the Church.

"[T]he house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."

(1 Timothy 3:15b).

So, it must be true when Jesus promised, "I will build my church" (Matthew 16:18c). It is very important to recognise that God is not holding His truth back, but has deposited His Word in the Earth to produce fruits, and Has raised up the Church as His instrument for sowing and keeping the Word.

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD".

(Isaiah 55:7a).

This, and many other passages, show that the Word has been supplied so that we might align to it, to be ordered by it, and

washed by it.

The Scripture illustrates its own nature, how it has come, and how it helps people and raises them up.

"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

(Isaiah 55:11).

The Word is accomplishing things, and it is come near at hand for a great purpose.

"Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me, Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure".

(Isaiah 46:9, 10).

#### The Word is at hand

It has not been hard for God to get His Word to us through the Church to the present.

"For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not hidden from thee, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it? Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?"

(Deuteronomy 30:11-13).

"But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach".

(Romans 10:8).

Therefore, the great issue is whether or not God's Word is actually near at hand.

Now the Scripture is referring to an "it", a singular entity known as the Word of God. The fact is that for the majority of history, no one has actually had full access to all the Word of God, or been able to identify perfectly what it is.

Let us first of all accept that the Scripture is talking about God's people having the Word of God, because the majority of the nations of the world have for millennia not had the Word of God.

Then we must understand that for the entire Biblical period, no one had a Genesis-to-Revelation Bible, because it was not until the late first century that the book of Revelation was written. Slowly and gradually Christians had access to all the books together, but the focus of the learning was in the West, so Latin translation gave way to Reformation Bibles.

But every version and translation of the Bible is different to every other. And so there are people attempting to formulate the correct text (conforming to what was originally given) and give the most accurate translation, and differing all the while with other Bibles.

Thus, we are left with tendency and sufficiency. Tendency says that the majority of copies tend to agree, and tend to be correct, and lead toward or give way to a specific final form. Sufficiency says that has been able to use imperfect copies, and has been able to fulfil His Word, despite disparity. In other words, God has been able to save, heal and guide with His Word, despite impurities in specific copies, versions or translations.

In all this, a Christian should not have confessed that he was without the Word, or that God failed. On the contrary, God was able to prevail, despite such a state of circumstances.

## Labouring in the Word versus labouring to obtain the Word

The simple position should be that God has not failed, but has made good on His promise to deliver His Word to us. This means that we should not labour, work or strive to receive the Word, as if it is lost, or as if we will never really grasp it.

What we should do is labour with the Word we have received, and run with it.

The whole mistake of all modern scholarship has been to assume that error is greater than God's way of actually getting truth to us. Therefore, they have striven to deal with error, as though it were an impossible undertaking to ever accomplish just near-accuracy.

If the King James Bible is not received as simple truth at the outset of reasoning, there is no wonder that people cannot come to any satisfactory answer as to what exactly are the words of God.

Truth is singular and fixed. It is consistent with this to have one true Bible. That Bible, the King James or Authorized Version, is the foundation. By consistently using the King James Bible, we should see that it really is correct, and that all events which have surrounded it, and the fruit which it produces, is all manifestly God-ordained.

The opposite applies to modern versions. Modern versions, which are rivals to the King James Bible, did not come about by chance. They came about because a different foundation was used (like a house built on sand), and their results are equally inconsistent, confusing and erroneous.

Truth as the foundation had built on it true doctrines. Satan has been very subtle. His attack therefore has concentrated on undermining the foundation.

The following details the general scheme of Satan in having people reject the King James Bible. This has occurred by a sowing of doubt and reaping of corruption process.

# One: Undermine the absolute perfection of the KJB

For many years, it may have seemed near blasphemy if someone said, "The King James Bible is not fully the words of God". Therefore, instead of talking about the King James Bible, Satan concentrated on other things, such as, that the world is corrupt,

and men are fallible. Men can observe human errors all the time, including printing mistakes in the Bible.

Now, if the Spirit of God inspired, then the King James Bible would be perfect, but the King James Bible's translators were not inspired, so it follows, according to Satan's suggestion, that the King James Bible might have contained some minor flaws in its production.

The devil would then seek to gain ground by building on the assumption of error with the argument that if men are fallible and limited, we cannot detect whether there might be a flaw in the King James Bible.

Once the candidate accepts the notion of prevailing error and the inability to make a final judgment, he has been successfully blinded from seeing that

# Two: Admit to minor flaws or the need to update the KJB

The second step has been to get people to talk about how the Biblical language was "old fashioned", and begin to say that a few places might be open to an update. Even though this is carefully stressed to be only to do with clarifying the KJB, history shows us that once the little crack was made, Satan made a massive ravine; once the leaven had been added, he could watch as the Word of God was contaminated with horrific changes, like what happened with the Revised Version of 1881, or the American Standard Version of 1901.

God be thanked that many traditional Christians, including Pentecostals, were not deceived into abandoning the King James Bible wholesale until as late as the early 1980s.

#### Three: Push for study toward revision of the KJB

The reason why the King James Bible suffered its greatest decline in the 1980s is because decades of propaganda had been built up.

The next step in Satan's diabolical plan was, once sufficient reason had been given to alter the truth of the King James Bible just in the English, then both the translation and the text could be altered.

The Bible has been undermined this way for many years by liberal theologians, secular humanists, rationalists, atheists and higher critics. As good Bible colleges accepted the scientific critical methods of these people, they began to devalue the Bible to a mere human work, even though many still professed to believe in inspiration and some sort of general preservation as the work of God.

The Bible was true, but what happened from the time each of the books of the Bible were being copied until the time the King James Bible was in everyone's hand could now be questioned. Traditional Christians were particularly slow in being involved in these fields, but since they accepted that kind of scholarship, the rot also was taught in their Bible colleges.

The foundation of truth was substituted for a foundation of error. That meant that even in the most sincere Christian's

approach toward the Bible, he would minimise the place for God in its transmission through time, and allow for chance matters and corruption to interfere.

Their foundation was then error. It states that error exists. Error, whether by deliberate or accidental corruption, has affected copying of the Bible. Thus, it is impossible to say with one hundred per cent certainty which words originally belonged. Moreover, since man is fallible, he has not been able to translate accurately or fully. All this would make the King James Bible appear less the very perfect Word of God every day.

In Old Testament studies they said that in order to ensure the greatest fidelity to the originals, they had to ensure that copying had been fully accurate, by comparing to the oldest known copies of the Old Testament, the Dead Sea Scrolls. These scrolls were not available to the translators of 1611, since they were only discovered in 1947, which meant that modernists could slight the King James Bible for not having as much data as they had now.

In New Testament studies, they said that to ensure the most accurate knowledge of the New Testament, the oldest known copies (which are assumed to be the best because they theoretically have less mistakes in them — in practice they are known, though not often admitted to be, the work of early heretics) should be collated with every known later copy and fragment, and thereby, having as full a picture as possible, would be able to discern as best as possible the primitive form of the New Testament. This, of course, is not a foolproof method, but gave rise to the modernist slur of the 1611 translators relying only

on a limited amount of late copies, and not having the breadth of resources that were now available.

Likewise, modernists have praised up their means of better translating through the articulating of certain grammatical rules, and through a wider knowledge of cognate languages, and through understanding afforded by archaeology and other studies. However, their present time theories are often speculative, subjective, and on many occasions, recast history through a false imposing of present ideas on the past.

Thus, if secular philosophy teaches that there was no worldwide great flood, the entire dating of ancient civilisations can be pushed back thousands of years into the past, and so the whole "science" which is supposed to be testable in line with the Scripture becomes contaminated.

Conceptually, this problem occurs in fields like hermeneutics, where the Bible is translated by interpretations imposed onto the past of practises or meanings to words which meanings the original languages do not actually have. And so an obscure Hebrew word might be said to be another thing other than what the King James Bible translates it as, and this questioning goes to very shocking levels, even to what the name of God is.

# Four: Push for a conservative revision of the KJB

Many traditional Christians were still familiar with the King James Bible, and were not deceived into actually abandoning it until the early 1980s.

If modern versions and other studies were before seen as an aid to the King James Bible, now the Authorized Version itself could be replaced. Satan made the replacement seem very sincere and legitimate.

Even though modern versions had begun to make inroads, it was the New King James Version, with its supposedly updated language, which was to be Satan's best device. The sneaky thing was that the New King James Version used the title "King James", and seemed to be quite similar to the Authorized Version in many places.

The big issue of modern versions missing out whole verses was easily avoided by the New King James Version, since it seemed fairly close to the King James Bible, and included the same New Testament verses.

However, the big problem was that it brought in varying translations which changed meaning. So instead of making things clear, they were actually introducing error.

Christians should be certain that the King James Bible is entirely accurate, and that its words must not be altered. If a place or word is difficult, it can be overcome by a little study, and reliance on the Holy Ghost who guides believers into all truth. Thus, the big problem with the accusation that the King James Bible has old or hard words is that those words are God's chosen words, and that to attempt to change them would be to deny God's power in teaching His children. In other words, those who wished to make just a few small changes in the language were actually upholding man's ideas, as much as they

did not mean to, were giving place to the devil to take away confidence in the very words of God.

#### Five: The rise of different doctrines

Christianity had developed far by basing doctrine on the plain reading of the King James Bible. There was no need to go to the Greek to construct a doctrine about the gift of tongues, because it was already there in English. In fact, it was when people rejected God's giving of His Word in English (which was the whole point of the Reformation) where error really advanced.

The next step in Satan's strategy was then to attack true doctrines and establish false doctrines by going to the original languages. Thus, many teachers would appeal to the "Greek" to justify their heresies. And it is not just on the fringes of Christianity where this was being done, but was the main method being utilised in the best Christian circles.

The fruit of forsaking the King James Bible as the standard would be the cause of many things going awry, the challenge of major and important doctrines, and the rise of unholy deeds.

# Six: Satan's real agenda with modern versions

The final step would be the full immersion of Christianity into the doctrine of Babylon. Not only the flourishing of various heresies as the new orthodoxy, but full affiliation with Rome, and worse, total depravity and conjoining with the world's religions. Many could have been sincere Christians while using their modern versions, but there would be many problems. They cannot point to anything and say that these are the very words of God, nothing added, and nothing taken away. There is certainly no perfect copy in Hebrew or Greek, and the scholars are divided over the meanings of the words there too, so either God has given the King James Bible as the final standard, or God is a colossal failure, allowing men to get by on their best efforts in Bible scholarship — which is actually a doctrine of works, not grace — striving to find instead of receiving the gift.

# Man's worldly thinking is error

There is no great difference between many modern Christian theologians and the position of the rationalist secular humanists when it comes to looking at how the Bible passed down through history. While a modern Christian theologian will believe that God inspired the Scriptural to begin with, he uses exactly the same approach, method and assumptions that a non-believing critic takes.

The only difference is that one believes in God, and one does not. But both are actually denying the power of God to properly preserve the Scripture. A modernist Christian might well believe that God's Word is still generally present in the Earth, in the sum of all copies we have today, but they are unable to point to God's Word specifically, or to be certain of it in every last word.

So, from the foundation of error, both the atheist and the doubting Christian basically have no role for God to actually willingly keep and gather His Word in time.

An unbelieving critic would, by his natural reason, try to recover what he thought the original form of the New Testament might have looked like. He does this by various human assumptions, such as, acknowledging that there are copies in Greek, and that they all had to come from somewhere. There is no great degree of difference in this to what many of those who actually believe in God and inspiration do: they both assume that God has not been actively involved in history to bring His Word fully into one recovered form. In other words, by going to human reasoning and error, they have stepped away from the simple truth that the King James Bible is perfect and final, have set up as an idol a doctrine which says we cannot know a perfect Bible.

"Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have *free* course, and be glorified, even as *it is* with you: And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all *men* have not faith."

(2 Thessalonians 3:1, 2).

Notice that the opposite of having faith — simply receiving the Word of God as present, true and final — is to be unreasonable. There is a great delusion which states that "reasonable" must be a non-faith way, a way of sight, human reasoning and all the investigations which are done into the original languages, textual criticism and modern advances.

"... [B] ecause they received not the love of the truth, ... And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie".

(2 Thessalonians 2:10c, 11).

Instead of starting from the foundation of authority of God's truth — and His testimony — they start from man's conjectures about the past, how fallible man is best able to reconstruct the Holy Bible for modern man. All this leads to endless seeking, never finding, because they are conditioned against receiving God's gracious supply of the perfect King James Bible.

"Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD: And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find *it*."

(Amos 8:11, 12).

The issue is not that the Word of God is missing, the issue is that darkness and filth now clogs up the inner man ears and eyes of many Christians, so that they are unable to find the Word of God. The scholars seek from Europe to the Middle East to find the Word of God, and never come to any satisfactory final answer.

"Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith. But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was."

(2 Timothy 3:7-9).

The end result of the whole error-based Biblical scholarship — the scholarship that even many good Christians accept — is that it is to come to an utter end. (They should also ask themselves why it is that Roman Catholic scholars essentially agree with the same scholarly approach and conclusions.)

"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ."

(Colossians 2:8).

### The questions that must be asked

A little error is dangerous, because it is like a seed. It has a multiplying effect.

"Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth? This persuasion *cometh* not of him that calleth you. A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump."

(Galatians 5:7-9).

If modern versions admittedly are imperfect, is that not grounds that they are therefore wholly unsuitable?

Our aim here is not to try to defend the King James Bible from specific attacks, nor to criticise specific problems in modern versions, but to show the underlying ideals. Elsewhere there are places and teachings which are all for going into detail, in pointing out the many positive aspects of the King James Bible, and for showing that the modern versions are locked in imperfection.

Either there is truth that God has brought about through history, or else, God is allowing error to have the greater reign and He is keeping us from perfection.

We start from now, the present. Either the truth is here, or it is not. It is incorrect to begin from a speculative position of God having give truth in the past, or truth possibly existing in the past, and then trying to find it today. We do not say, "I can only accept truth in the present if I can find out whether it be truth", because we will never find out fully satisfactorily. The Gospel was not designed for hearers to seek it out, but preachers are sent. That means a person who receives the Gospel actually has it sent to him from God via human agents.

If a Christian could believe that God's Word was true even before it was all written in the New Testament, and that there were good men who lived before Jesus Christ ever came to save the world, why would it be any different to say that God worked in history until 1611 to raise up one perfect Bible for the world?

If God inspired the Scripture perfectly to the time of the Apostle John, why would God abandon the very thing He gave into the Earth, only to allow less-than-perfect copies for the rest of history, because wouldn't it be consistent that God should allow the coming together of one perfect Bible from 1611 for all?

If perfection is only by God's direct hand, how is it that true Christians know which books belong in the Bible today as the Canon, which was resolved and upheld by Christians after the death of the Apostle John, because since it was formulated and received as truth afterward, how would that be any different over all to doing the same with every word in the Bible in 1611?

If God can preserve Christians, and save them so that they actually will go to Heaven, how is it that it is said by some of the same people that God has not revealed full knowledge of what words actually belong to the Bible, and how they are to be giving the full sense perfectly in English?

#### The solution

The Bible does not fail to give a simple solution to the entire matter, and that is to receive the King James Bible as the truth as a matter of simple faith.

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with fellowship unbelievers: for what hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

(2 Corinthians 6:14-18).

Now, there are some who are wilfully disobedient in this area. When it comes to the Bible version issue, it appears that some people give way to the worst behaviour in their rejection of the King James Bible, that their status in Christ must be seriously doubted.

"Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear. But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken."

(Isaiah 28:9-11).

There must be a proper education with the King James Bible of people concerning the King James Bible. That, it is promised, is to go to the Jews. If to them, since God promises to speak to them not in Hebrew, then it must be taught and established with the Gentiles also, because, after all, it is of they who are supposed to instigate this teaching (see Romans 11).

The Bible promises a rest for the weary, a refreshing, and that is none other than receiving the true Word, being taught in it, and receiving strength. In this we are assured that some shall deliberately reject it, but to their own destruction. However, when dealing with the work of God, it is not a failing endeavour, for there are those who are receptive to hear and be built up in it.

"From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night: and it shall be a vexation only to understand the report. For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it: and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it."

(Isaiah 28:19, 20).

It seems completely alien to some to say that the King James Bible only is perfect, or to rely on it as absolutely true. It is something they cannot fathom, because of the devilish darkness which has been put into them.

If they would accept the absolute, consistent truth of the King James Bible, it would immediately destroy their entire construction of errors, because truth will out and win.

"So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed."

(Acts 19:20).

#### APPENDIX A

#### THE REFRESHING

Declaration of protest against the use of any Bible other than the King James Bible for English-speaking people.

- 1. That the King James Bible contains all things necessary to salvation and faith as is confessed by traditional Protestants.
- 2. That the King James Bible alone, in line with godly tradition, has all that is necessary for full sufficiency of the knowledge of the counsel of God, and is the sole foundation of sound doctrine, without the Holy Ghost requiring reference to any other source than the Authorized English Bible.
- 3. That the full truth of Scripture is fully present in the text and wording of the King James Bible alone.
- 4. That the King James Bible is the final form of the received text, gathered out of history.
- 5. That the King James Bible is one more exact translation of the Holy Scripture into the English tongue, being settled as entirely accurate.
- 6. That the full meaning of Scripture, on every level, is entirely present in the English wording of the King James Bible.
- 7. That the King James Bible is final authority as God's providentially appointed written revelation, wholly approved and purposed by God as it stands today.

- 8. That the King James Bible must necessarily contain one hundred percent the inspired words of God.
- 9. That no other work in English can match the exactness and accuracy of the English usage, nor of its linguistic majesty, nor of its depths, structure and particular content.
- 10. That the King James Bible is fully and utterly the truth, given and sent of God, set forth for the whole world.
- 11. That the Pure Cambridge Edition of the King James Bible has been received as the perfect and final presentation of the words of God for today.

#### APPENDIX B

There are a few rare occasions where the King James Bible has a so-called "minority reading". This means that the King James Bible has something which is different to almost all available copies.

It is useful to mention one as a case study, to show how the King James Bible is not wrong in such a case. The example is the reading "and shalt be" at Revelation 16:5, in opposition to nearly every other copy and translation, which has, "holy one".

The background is that when Beza was printing the New Testament in Greek, he reasoned that Revelation 16:5 should actually read according to the pattern established at other verses in Revelation which give a past, present and future (Revelation 1:4, 1:8, 4:8 and 11:17).

The King James Bible translators followed Beza's Greek on this point, and did not give any indication in the margin that there was any issue here. Thus, we can easily see that it was their deliberate decision to accept that "and shalt be" was correct.

Most or all available handwritten copies had "holy one", but there are relatively few copies of Revelation, and there is no certain knowledge of very early copies. It follows that a copying mistake was made early, one which persisted to the point where all available copies no longer contained the true reading, until it was restored by Beza. The fact that Beza's correction was recognised to be true shows that what would otherwise be a "lost reading" was actually restored and was printed in English in 1611.