THE KING JAMES BIBLE



All Scripture is given by **inspiration**...

2 Timothy 3:16 "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:"

The Word of God

1 Peter 1:23 "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever."

Scoffers who attack the "King James only" position are not difficult to find. Many big-name preachers and so-called scholars will write about the "cult" that pushes only the King James. One preacher warns about the "veritable fountain of misinformation and deceptive double talk on the subject of 'King James Onlyism." Another says those who are King James only are "misinformers" and as "a cancerous sore." Another calls King James Bible loyalists "heretics." Another warns about King James Bible proponents "undercutting the very foundations of the faith itself." Still another says we are "careless Bible students" and "ignorant" for saying that the King James Bible is inspired.

Some of you will need to turn off your college education and turn to your Bible for this message.

I mentioned what some scholars say, and so I will also quote another group of men. I will say Lester Roloff, Jack Hyles, Bob Gray, and many more believed in an inspired King James Bible. I'll take the soul winners and church builders over the "scholars."

2 Timothy 3:16-17 proclaims, "ALL SCRIPTURE is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works."

All Scripture "is given" and "is profitable." So, all Scripture is given by inspiration, and all Scripture is profitable; what is given is also what is profitable. That which "is given" is given by inspiration; therefore that which "is profitable" must also be inspired. What is "profitable?" Whatever it is, it has to be the same thing as that which "is given by inspiration." That which is

inspired, is also profitable. Something is given, and something is profitable. The thing that is given is inspired and so the thing that is profitable must be the same thing as that which is given. You can not separate the two. The thing that is profitable must be inspired -- that is the prerequisite. God said that He would preserve His Word to every generation; so all must have access to that inspired, preserved Word.

Psalm 12:6-7 "The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified SEVEN TIMES. Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever."

Paul told Timothy...

2 Timothy 2:2 "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."

I feel the same way. The things I was taught by my preacher are the SAME things I must teach. Dr. Jack Hyles wrote in his book, *The Need for an Every-Word Bible*, page 54:

"I'm tired of colleges and universities advertising that they use the King James Bible. Tell the whole story! Tell everyone that you do not believe that it is inspired word for word."

Now follow me to more of the simplest logic.

Matthew 4:4 "But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

If our Lord said this, our Lord must have been in possession of the Word that came from the mouth of God. Why would Jesus talk about living by the very words of God if there were no such words? Why would our Lord speak of living by every word when there was nowhere you could find every word? So, for every child of God, there must be a place they can find "every word" in order to live. That is not an answer to all the questions, but it is clear.

What else?

Psalm 119:89 "For ever, O LORD, Thy word is settled in heaven."

Obviously, there were never original copies in the hands of any man; they were settled in Heaven, then they were passed along to men and God said He would preserve them. Now, if God gave the Word, and if God preserved the Word, then those words are inspired. I will not argue about what inspired means; I will argue whatever God meant in 2 Timothy. That is exactly what I have my hands. What good is an inspired Bible if no one has one? Why even

call it that? Why tell Timothy it "is" if it only "WAS." If Timothy had an inspired Bible, then so do I.

So why is the attack so great? Why is it so vital that no one mess with our Bible?

- **1. The Bible reveals the will of God.** Without it we cannot know His will and His exceeding great and precious promises.
- 2 Peter 1:4 "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises:that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."
- 2. The Bible reveals the character of God. How can we know Him without the Bible?

What He thinks of sin?

How He views man?

How to get to Heaven?

How to live from day to day?

Without an inspired, preserved, perfect Bible, we have no idea what is true.

3. The Bible produces faith. Not only is a ministry based upon faith, and without faith it is impossible to please Him, but also, faith comes by hearing, and without hearing the Word of God we cannot get faith. So if I am to please God, I must have faith and I must have the Word of God.

We must have the true, real, preserved Bible, inspired by the God we serve.

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