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400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KING JAMES BIBLE!

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This is no minor occasion and we would be remiss if we did not take the opportunity to once more thank God for the King James Bible, His holy, inspired (and therefore inerrant) and preserved Word of God. We love the KJV because:

FIRST OF ALL, IT IS GOD'S INSPIRED WORD. In II Timothy 3:16 it says, "**All scripture is given by inspiration of God...**" You probably know that "inspiration" is literally "God breathed." Nothing imperfect ever came from God! If it is inspired, God breathed, then it must be inerrant. That cannot be truly said of any modern version. Though they all may have some of the truth, not one of them has the whole truth of God and we have shown over the years that all have errors. The true Word of God cannot have errors. God couldn't produce such a Book! Modern versions have many errors, additions and omissions. For example, Look on the NASV, NIV, etc. and see if you can find I John 5:7? While they have a verse 7, the true verse simply is not there and in most cases not even in the margin. That is the strongest statement in the Bible on the Trinity! "**For there are three that bear record in Heaven; the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost: and these three are One.**" We could write pages, Yes, even a book, on the errors and omissions in modern versions. I thank God I can stand up and say that I hold the inspired, infallible Word of God in my hand! There are many *fundamentalists* these days who love the NASV, NIV, or NKJV. While they may say those words, they do not really believe them for those bibles are far from infallible. Another very serious problem that abounds in *fundamental* churches is men who read and preach from the King James Bible, but wherever there is a difference between the KJV and their favorite bible, they correct it by referring to their modern version. We are happy to say that we do have the inspired Word of God and it does not need to be corrected. I should just mention here concerning the Greek text. I am afraid that many Bible believers are not aware that there is not just one set of Greek manuscripts but two. The KJV comes from what is called the Textus Receptus or Received Text, the commonly used text. ALL modern versions come from two very different and corrupt manuscripts – The Vaticanus and the Sinaiticus. Both were found in Catholic institutions. They obviously promote Roman Catholic doctrine.

SECONDLY, THE KJB IS GOD'S PRESERVED WORD. The great battleground today is preservation. God gave His Word perfectly, but do we have that perfect Bible today? We say Yes, emphatically! It can't be updated or improved – it is perfect! All modern versions and those who use them say, No. In fact there are many fundamentalists who clearly say that all versions have errors. (Well, all modern versions do have errors). We believe that is not only a poor position but a very dangerous one! God said He would preserve it forever. Psalm 12:6,7 says, "**The words of the Lord are pure words; as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep the, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.**" That's the issue, has God kept His Word? We believe He has – modern bible version users believe He has not. There are many other verses which say the same thing. Isaiah 40:8: "**The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand forever.**" In Luke 21:33 Jesus said: "**Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.**" Then, we read in I Peter 1:23-25: "**Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God that liveth and abideth forever...But the word of the Lord endureth forever...**" There you have preservation twice in three verses. We believe God! Others may believe modern scholarship (for that is what all of the modern versions are based upon) but we believe God! It is a matter of faith! Imagine, believing that God can give His word perfectly, but He cannot preserve it! God gave His Word perfectly and He has also preserved it perfectly as He said He would. If I didn't believe that, I'd quit preaching. (Cont'd p. 3)

CORNERSTONE NEWS

DON'T MISS IT!

FRIEND DAY!!!

SUNDAY, SEPT. 11TH

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:30

CHURCH SERVICE - 10:45

**DINNER UNDER THE TENT
(Free)**

GOSPEL SONG TIME - 1:30

EVENING SERVICE - 6:00



Gift for each Visitor at S.S. & Church!

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FALL SERVICE SCHEDULE

(BEGINNING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th)

**SUNDAY: Sunday School - 9:30
Church Service - 10:45
Training Hour - 5:30
Evening Service - 6:30**

WED: Prayer & Bible Study - 7:30

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WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

We are not your basic religious entertainment center! We are a Fundamental Baptist, Bible believing and preaching Church. We are not here to entertain carnal Christians, but to explain God's Holy Word. We do not lose your weight, or get you a mate. We do not teach judo nor seek to build up your ego. But if you would like to know what the Bible says about life and death, about eternity; if you are interested in reality, and not superficiality, if you are interested in learning and obeying God's Word, and not merely feeling good, this may just be the place you are looking for. We invite you to join us Sundays at 9:30, 10:45, and 6:00; Wednesdays at 7:30.

YOUTH CORNER

COLD PRAYERS ARE WORTHLESS! "...The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:16. Philipp Brooks said, "As a painted fire is no fire, a dead man no man, so a cold prayer is no prayer. In a painted fire there is no heat, in a dead man there is no life; so in a cold prayer there is no omnipotency, no devotion, no blessing. Cold prayers are as arrows without heads, as swords without edges, as birds without wings, they pierce not, they cut not. They fly not up to Heaven. Oh, that Christians would chide themselves out of their cold prayers, and chide themselves into a better and warmer frame of spirit, when they make their supplications to the Lord."

CHURCH MEMBERS ATTITUDES.

"This Church is dead," said Brother Brown: "It's true," said Gossip. "It's sure going down." "I'm going to quit," Brother Gadabout 'lowed, "And go where they have a much bigger crowd." Sister Selfish, too, was sure she could see - "Not a soul in the Church appreciates me." Said Brother Grumble, "I don't see why The Sunday School's dead and the meeting is dry." But good brother Faithful sat in his place, The sunshine of Heaven abeamin' his face; The good saint worshipped in prayer and in song: And to him - there wasn't a single thing wrong!

WHAT IS LIFE?

Marcus Aurealus said, Life is a battle.
E. V. Cooke said that, Life is an empty dream.
Robert Browning said that it is a Walking Dream.
Shakespeare called it, A long tragedy.
Isaac said, It is a jest.
John Gay called it, A document to be interpreted.
Amiel said it was, "A cup of tea."
J. M. Barrie, A dusty corridor closed at both ends.
Thomas Blacklock said it was, A smoke that curls.
Apostle Paul: "**To me to live is Christ.**" -Copied
Only the Apostle Paul was right! To have true life, eternal life, Jesus said, "**Ye must be born again.**" There is no other way to have life as it was meant to be. Jesus said, "**I am the way, the truth and the life...**"

TRUTH ABOUT MODERN VERSIONS

All bibles are not the inspired Word of God!

Pastor Starr's book:

"Is Your Bible Really The Word Of God?"

will help you understand the truth.

\$3 each plus \$1.50 postage. 3 for \$9 pp. (U.S. \$)

NEWS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

PERSONAL TESTIMONY TO KJB. (from P.1)

I grew up in the average “Christian” home (back in the late 1920’s and 30’s) where you went to church once a week but learned nothing about the Bible. I never once heard the true Gospel of Jesus Christ. I went into the armed Services during WWII. While not very good before going in, I truly lived for the devil when I came out. At twenty-five, I joined the Masonic Lodge to please my father. Upon becoming a Master Mason, they gave me a Bible, a King James Bible, which had a number of pages in the front explaining the Masons relationship to it (which is absolute fiction). After having it lie on the mantle for a number of months, one evening I began to read it just to see what it and the Masons were all about. I had no knowledge of the Bible though I went to church the first fifteen years of my life. I was as ignorant of the Bible as anyone could be. After reading it periodically for three weeks, I knelt by my bed and asked the Lord to save me. I got up from my knees knowing that my sins were gone and a whole new life was begun. I was **“...born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth forever.”** I Peter 1:23. Yes, I was saved reading the old KJV, which has all of those *thee’s* and *thou’s*, all those *archaic* words, etc. And not only that, but that old KJV has kept me all these years. I am so thankful that God opened my eyes to see His true Word. If you are not a KJV lover, but would like to learn more, call or write us and we will send you some helpful information.

CHRISTIANITY TODAY EDITOR SAYS IT IS O.K. FOR EVANGELICALS TO DABBLE IN HERESIES -

Mark Galli, senior managing editor of Christianity Today, says that evangelicals should be allowed to dabble in heresies. He said this in the context of Rob Bell’s heresy-packed book *Love Wins*. Though Bell denies the infallible inspiration of Scripture, Christ’s substitutionary atonement, the necessity of being born again through personal faith in Christ, eternal hell fire, and other cardinal doctrines, Galli claims that he is “a brother in Christ” and that we should be patient with his errors. According to Galli, we should treat Paul Young and *The Shack* with the same “charity.” He says, “We recognize that an author trying to repeat the old, old story in fresh ways will sometimes overstep the bounds of traditional theology” (“Rob Bell Is Not a Litmus Test,” *ChristinaityToday.com*, May 5, 2011)... The Bible warns God’s people to mark and avoid those who teach doctrine contrary to the apostolic faith, because false teachers are able to deceive the hearts of the simple. Heretics are to be rejected after the first and second admonition (Titus 3:10-11). –*FBIS* (5/13/11). Ed. We have long watched and warned of the compromise and heresies of the Evangelical

movement. Compromise, even to win others, is a one-way street and it is all downhill. There are only two possibilities: Repent and obey God and His Word or shipwreck!

CALLING CAMPING’S BLUFF! A Bible teaching ministry is asking Harold Camping’s Family Radio to demonstrate their faith in Camping’s Rapture predictions with a signed contract. *The Christian Post* reports that A Bible Answer ministry has offered \$1 million to purchase the 66 station network, but has offered not to assume ownership until October 22, 2011. Camping has revised his prediction for the end of the world for October 21. Richard Myers, the administrator of *abibleanswer.org*, said on the website, “After taking the money of his supporters, let Harold give up all he has to show he believes what he is preaching. He does not or else he would sell.” The ministry also offered to buy the stations in February, saying they would take possession after the then-predicted Doomsday of May 21. Meyers notes that the stations would play good Christian music and read from the KJV if the offer is accepted – they just won’t predict Jesus’ return. –*Religion Today* (5/27/11). Ed. No true Bible believer should have believed Camping’s prediction of Christ’s return in the light of all the Scripture saying no man knows when it will be. Think of this: Camping still has his millions; many of his blind followers have given up all.

CAMPING’S REVISED PROPHECY! Doomsday preacher Harold Camping predicted Monday that corpses of the “unsaved,” which includes those in the U.S. armed services, will be flung out of their graves and on the ground like “manure” on October 21. Camping’s comments during the Open Forum program on Family Radio Monday comes one week after he publicly recanted his predicted date of Rapture, changing it from May 21 to October 21. He has persistently maintained that his dates for a May 21 Judgment Day and a October 21 Doomsday are accurate... On Monday, a caller asked Camping whether they would see any signs from Deuteronomy 28, beginning with verse 15, fulfilled in the coming End Days. The passage refers to the curse of God for those who disobey his teachings. “Those who are unsaved are going to experience the curse of God,” affirmed Camping, president of Family Radio. He predicted that whatever of a person’s corpse is left in the grave on October 21 “will be thrown out of the grave” and be “like manure on the ground.” Furthermore, those who die on October 21 won’t receive a burial, said Camping. –*TBC* 6/10/11. Ed. Is anybody still listening to this crazy man? He doesn’t understand the Bible – the Rapture is not “doomsday,” the end of the world.

WHERE ARE THE ADULTS?

A Christian newsletter I receive had a lead article entitled *Where Did All The Adults Go?* It quoted the book *The Sibling Society* by Robert Bly. He is not a Christian to my knowledge, but he has more understanding than a lot of believers. He says that grown-up mature American adults are now all but missing. We look like a horizontal society of young brothers and sisters because the vertical principles of authority, hierarchy, obligation and tradition have been eroded. He claims that one-third of Americans are actually half-adults. The author of the newsletter pointed out what we have long said; "It is becoming increasingly difficult for older, adult Christians to demonstrate the fruit of the spiritual maturity in a relationship with Jesus Christ, His Church, and Biblical responsibilities. An increasing number of adult Christians prove by their attitudes and actions that participation and leadership involvement in the local church is only an incidental part of their self-centered lives. It appears that a desire for a more intimate relationship with Jesus Christ has almost been completely replaced with an insatiable hunger for materialism." The truth is we have people who have been saved for years, but they are still babies and if you tell them so, you will surely see their childish response. As parents and Church leaders have relinquished their proper authority and children have been given every little thing their hearts desire, we have come to a sorry state of immaturity which is perpetuated from generation to generation. Few fundamental churches have elders and deacons (even pastors) that are Biblically qualified; and finding such is getting extremely difficult.

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SALVATION REALLY WORKS

Many years ago I heard a Christian give the following testimony in a rescue mission. He said as a young man starting in the building business, an older worker gave him some tips from time to time. Every one knows it is hard to put a nail in plaster without chipping the plaster. The man said put a piece of scotch tape on the wall, put the nail through it, remove the tape; there will be no chipping. He said, "You know, I tried it and it worked!" The friend also told him how to keep from splitting hardwood. Hit the point of the nail first, then drive it into the wood. It didn't sound right, but he said, "I tried it and it worked!" To keep a nut from working loose from the bolt, the man told him to put some shellac on the threads. Guess what? It worked! This Christian went on to tell those poor lost souls how he had tried many things in an effort to have peace, including religion, but none worked. "One day a believer gave me the Gospel. I refused for a time, but then one day I tried it. Yes, it worked!" My friend, there is only one thing that works when it comes to the salvation of your soul. God says that you are a sinner and the debt must be paid. You are bankrupt when it comes to righteousness so, God paid the debt. Christ died on the cross for your sins and rose again to justify you. The Word of God says, "**BELIEVE ON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AND THOU SHALT BE SAVED.**" I can tell you along with that man and millions of others, it works! It will work for you if you will just do what God tells you to do. Come as a poor, hopeless sinner. Receive Christ as your Saviour. "**AS MANY AS MANY AS RECEIVED HIM, TO THEM GAVE HE THE POWER TO BECOME THE SONS OF GOD, EVEN TO THEM THAT BELIEVE ON HIS NAME.**" Try it right now; you'll see that it works!