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We thought it might be helpful to put together some texts from various versions so you can see the differences at a glance. It's clear they can't all be right!

DANIEL 3:25

KJV: "...Lo, I see four men loose...and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

NASV: "...and the fourth is like a son of the gods." (How could a Bible believer accept this perversion?)

NIV: "...the fourth is like a son of the gods."

NKJV: "...the fourth is like the Son of God."

Footnote: "a son of the gods."

RSV: "...the fourth is like a son of the gods."

MARK 16:9-20

KJV: We don't have room to print it but most all Bible believers are familiar with this resurrection appearance and the Great Commission, etc.

NASV: Has it in text with **Footnote: Some of the oldest Mss. omit verse 9-20.** (Only 2 omit them, the corrupt Alexandrian Mss.)

NIV: After v.8 a **Footnote says, The most reliable early Mss. omit Mark 16:9-20.** They then print them. (It is obvious they accept the corrupt Alexandrian mss.)

NKJV: Contains text. **Footnote: Verses 9-20 are bracketed. Not in NU-text; it considers them not original.** Same thinking as above!

RSV: Verses 9-20 missing. **Footnote: Other texts and versions add v.9-20.**

JOHN 7:8

KJV: "...I go not up yet unto this feast."

NASV: "I do not go up to this feast." (*This makes Jesus a liar for He did go and intended to!*)

NIV: Includes the word *yet* but a **Footnote says, "Some early mss omit yet."**

NKJV: "I am not yet going up..." **Footnote: NU-Text omits yet.** (NU = Nestle-Alland Text which is same as Westcott-Hort Text!)

RSV: "I am not going up to the feast..."

JOHN 7:53-8:11

KJV: Due to space, we'll not print it but it's about the woman taken in adultery.

NASV: Contains the story. **Footnote says: Most of the ancient authorities omit 7:53 - 8:11...** (Out of 1,000s of mss, two omit it; corrupt Alexandrian ones.)

NIV: After 7:52 **Footnote:** The most early reliable mss omit John 7:53-8:11. See comment above under NASV.

NKJV: Contains text. **Footnote at 7:53: The words *But Jesus (7:53) through sin no more (8:11) are bracketed by NU Text as not in the original.***

RSV: All 12 verses omitted from text. **Footnote includes them in italics with message "Other ancient authorities add..."**

ACTS 8:37

KJV: "And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, **I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.**"

NASV: See **marginal note.** (Quite a verse) The note says, "**Late Mss. insert v.37...**" *The significance here is that Philip baptizes the man without any profession of faith,* which appeals to those who believe in baptismal regeneration and liberals.

NIV: **There's no verse 37.** **Footnote:** some mss add v.37.

NKJV: Basically as in KJV with **Footnote: NU-text and M-Text omit this verse.**

RSV: Verse omitted from text. **Footnote says some ancient authorities add v.37.**

COLOSSIANS 1:14

KJV: "In whom we have redemption **through His blood,** even the forgiveness of sins."

NASV: "In whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." (**No blood**)

NIV: "In whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." (**No blood**)
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**“PREPARE TO MEET
THY GOD!”**

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NKJV: “...redemption through His blood...” Footnote:
NU-Text and M-Text omit “through His blood.”

RSV: “In whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.” (No blood)

I JOHN 5:6-8

KJV: v.6- “This is he that came by (cont’d on page 3)

WHAT IS CONSECRATION? A Christian woman said to a preacher, “Will you please tell me in a word, what your idea is of consecration is?” Holding out a blank sheet of paper, the Pastor replied, “It is to sign your name to the bottom of this blank sheet of paper and let God fill in as He wills.” Young people, that is basically what the Bible teaches and what God expects of every Christian. The Bible says, “...ye are not your own, for ye are bought with a price...” ~I Corinthians 6:19,20. If you are saved, you belong to God and you have no right to do whatever you want with your life. Who knows what is best for you, you or God? He makes no mistakes but left to ourselves that’s all we can make. God says, “It is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.” ~Jeremiah 10:23. He also said, “The steps of a good man are ordered of the Lord and he delighteth in his way.” Psalm 37:23. Unless you let the Lord Jesus Christ run your life, you surely will make a mess of it and you will be eternally sorry. “Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap...” ~Galatians 6:7,8.

BE A HOME MISSIONARY. One need not be in so called “full time service” to be a missionary. Every Christian should be a missionary! Andrew was just another follower of Jesus when he won his brother Peter to the Lord. The madman at Gadara, wanted to travel and minister with the Lord, but Jesus said to him, “Go home and tell thy friends...” The man didn’t argue, but went and did as the Lord said. That is God’s will for every Christian - even young people. M. R. DeHaan said, “We often wonder about folks who have an urge to go far away to win strangers but have no passion for those at home.” C.H. Spurgeon was approached by a man who said he was greatly moved by the sermon and wanted to do some church work. “What is your occupation,” asked Mr. Spurgeon. “I am an engine driver,” said the man. “And is your stoker a Christian?” “No, he is not.” Spurgeon replied: “There’s your piece of church work!”

TV - IDOL OF MILLIONS OF AMERICANS!

T-hief of morals, thief of time,
E-vil bent and full of crime,
L-eading young and old astray,
E-ver from the narrow way.
V-ending venom like a snake,
I-nto minds small and great.
S-atan’s hissing loud and clear,
I-nto poor deluded ears;
O-nly Christ can set them free
N-evermore its dupes to be. -Copied

NEWS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

water and blood, even Jesus Christ, not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. v.7- **For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.** v.8- And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit and the water and the blood: and these three agree in one.” (v.7 is the strongest single verse in the Bible on the Trinity).

NASV: v.6- “This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ; not with the water only, but with the water and the blood. v.7- And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is the truth. v.8- For there are three that bear witness, the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three are in agreement.” **NOTE: While there is a v.7 here, the words about the Trinity in the KJV v.7 are missing entirely from the text; there is no footnote!**

NIV: Almost identical to NASV, **leaving out the original v.7.** Footnote says, Late MSS of the Vulgate add...

NKJV: Contains same basic words as KJV. **But a Footnote says, “NU-Text and M-Text omit the words from in heaven, v.7 through on earth, v.8.”** (Same faulty philosophy as NASV and other modern versions!)

RSV: Omits from the text the words of KJV v.7 and there is no Footnote.

I TIMOTHY 3:16

KJV: “...God was manifest in the flesh...” This is one of the most important verses on the incarnation.

NASV: “He who was revealed in the flesh...” Says nothing of incarnation. Of course, Jesus (and all of us) are in the flesh!

NIV: “He appeared in a body.” What a marvelous revelation!

NKJV: “*God* was manifest in the flesh.” But there is a Footnote saying NU-Text reads *who*.

RSV: “He was manifested in the flesh...” Footnote: Other ancient authorities read *God*.

LUKE 6:48

KJV: “He is like a man which built a house...on a rock...and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it for **it was founded upon a rock.**”

NASV: “He is like a man building...and could not shake it **because it was well built.**” (*You have to be blind not to see the difference in these versions!*)

NIV: “He is like a man...could not shake it **because it was well built.**”

NKJV: “...for it was founded on a rock.” A Footnote says, NU-Text reads “*for it was well built.*”

RSV: “because it had been well built.” Footnote: “it was founded on a rock.”

These represent only a few places where **the KJV differs from all modern versions.** I purposely used the NASV, NIV and NKJV for many Evangelicals and Fundamentalists (BJU loves NASV) use them and consider them better than the KJV. It is interesting to note that those three agree quite closely with each other. That is because they all have the same source, the Alexandrian mss...Sinaiticus and Vaticanus, both of which were found in Roman Catholic institutions. It was from these that Westcott & Hort and Nestle made their Greek translations. They are quite different as you can see from the source behind the KJV, the *Textus Receptus*. When men talk about “*original manuscripts*” you must realize that there are two very different sources; obviously only one can go back to the original.

I included the **Revised Standard Version** in this study because it is the product of the very liberal National Council of Churches and just about all Bible believers agree it is one of the worst versions ever to see the light of day. Yet many Evangelicals and Fundamentalists choose modern versions which take the very same position (as BJU). To me it is obvious that something is very wrong with their thinking. Many have been deceived by the **New King James Version**, for it “*seems*” to many who are uninformed to be just an up-dating of the KJV. It is clear however, that the thinking of the men behind it is basically the same as that which underlies all the other modern versions including the RSV. The text itself generally follows the Authorized Version, KJV. *However, their real philosophy is revealed in the footnotes, which give the same readings as the other modern versions.*

The issue is really very simple; *there can only be one Word of God!* God did not give two or three or 100 different sets of words. Also, it is not merely a matter of preference. It doesn't matter which automobile you prefer, etc. **But we are talking about the very Words of God!** I for one want to be sure that I have the ones God gave - all of them! I believe that any *honest* study of the issue will lead one to conclude that the **King James Version** is the true, pure Word of God. God said He would preserve His Word forever; **Isaiah 40:8; Psalm 12,6,7; Luke 21:33; etc.** Did He or didn't He? All who use modern versions are saying He didn't. If He did where is it? It is clearly not in the W-H text and modern versions. We are sure that it is in the TR - in English it is in the **KJV**.

If you want to know more about this most vital of all issues, Pastor Starr has written a 62 page booklet entitled “*IS YOUR BIBLE REALLY THE WORD OF GOD?*”. We will send you a copy for \$3.00 + \$1.00 postage.

THAT OLD-TIME RELIGION

Are there any Fundamental Baptists in America who know anything about the following. These words were found on the wall of a young Pastor in Africa: "I'm part of the fellowship of the unashamed. I have stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I'm a disciple of Jesus Christ. I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away, or be still. My past is redeemed, my present makes sense, my future is secure. I'm finished and done with low living, sight walking, small planning, smooth knees, colorless dreams, tamed visions, mundane talking, cheap living, and dwarfed goals. I no longer need preeminence, prosperity, position, promotions, plaudits, or popularity. I don't have to be right, first, tops, recognized, praised, regarded, or rewarded. I now live by faith, lean on His presence, walk by patience, lift by prayer, and labor by power. My face is set, my gait is fast, my goal is heaven, my road is narrow, my way rough, my companions few, my Guide is reliable, my mission is clear. I cannot be bought, deluded, or delayed. I will not flinch in the face of sacrifice, hesitate in the presence of the adversary, negotiate at the table of the enemy, or meander in the maze of mediocrity. I won't give up, shut up, let up, until I have stayed up, stored up, prayed up, preached up for the cause of Christ. I am a disciple of Jesus. I must go till He comes, give till I drop, preach till all know, and work till He stops me. And when He comes for His own, He will have no problem recognizing me-my banner will be clear."

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A WAY THAT SEEMETH RIGHT

Many think if one does the best he can, if he does more good than bad, he'll make it to Heaven. If one is a *good person on the whole* he'll make it. This is the belief of multitudes. There was a farmer to whom that seemed right. He said, "I try to do good, I pay my debts, etc. Sometimes I may swear or get angry but *I am doing pretty well on the whole.*" One day he hired a Christian carpenter, whom he knew, to build a fence around his pasture. "Build the fence securely, perfectly," he instructed. Upon completion of the job the farmer asked, "Is the fence good and strong; totally secure?" The man replied, "I cannot say that it is perfectly secure all around, but it is a good average fence *on the whole*. I may have left a little gap here and there, but I made up for that by strengthening other parts. I would say that *it is a good fence on the whole.*" The farmer cried: "Do you mean to tell me you built a fence with little gaps here and there? That fence must have no weak places or my cattle will get out! That fence must be perfect or it is worthless." The Christian replied, "I used to think so too, but I heard you talk so much about averaging things out with the Lord, and being *pretty good on the whole*, I thought if it was good enough for your soul it would be good enough for a fence." The Bible says, **"There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death."** ~Proverbs 14:12. It doesn't matter what you think! It may sound reasonable to you, but God requires perfection! That is why He sent His sinless, perfect Son, Jesus Christ to die for your sins. You must put your confidence in Him - not yourself. **"Believe of the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved."** ~Acts 16:31.