

## **God's Persistent Witness to the Absolute Standard of Written Truth - The King James Holy Bible**

I believe in the sovereignty of God in history. "For the kingdom is the LORD'S; and He is the governor among the nations." Psalm 22:28. God has set His mark upon many things in this world that reveal His Divine hand at work in history. Now before you object to the words "sovereign" or "sovereignty" all the word means is literally "to rule over" something, and God is the absolute Ruler of His universe. In fact, the word sovereignty is found in the NKJV (1 Samuel 14:47), and "sovereign" in the NASB (1 Timothy 6:15), the ESV (Acts 4:24; 1 Tim. 6:15 and Rev.6:10) and in the NIV a whopping 294 times!

"the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will... And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and He doeth according to His will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay His hand, or say unto Him, What doest Thou?" Daniel 4:32,35.

Why do we use the 7 day week instead of the 10 day week? Why are dates either B.C. (Before Christ) or A.D. (Anno Domini - year of our Lord)? Although the secular world is now trying in vain to change this too to BCE and CE.

England, the country God used to give us the King James Holy Bible, just "happens to be" the one nation from which we measure true Time (Greenwich time, zero hour) and from which we measure true Position on this earth, zero longitude. Just a "coincidence", huh?

I think God must have an ironic sense of humor in the way He bears witness to the Absolute Standard of His written words in the King James Bible, and the bible agnostics just can't get around this silent witness.

The first English Bible translation to divide the 66 individual books that make up our Bible into numbered chapters and verses was the Geneva Bible of 1557. However the Geneva Bible did NOT have the same numbering system we find in the King James Bible.

For instance, I have two hard copies of the Geneva Bible; the 1599 complete Geneva Bible and the 1602 Geneva New Testament. Both have the same numbering system for its chapters and verses.

In Luke 15 the KJB has 32 verses, but the Geneva combined verses 31 and 32 into verse 31 and all it has are 31 verses instead of the 32 found in the King James Bible.

In Romans 1 the KJB has 32 verses, but the Geneva Bible has only 31. It combined verses 30-31 into a single verse 30, and so the Geneva bible only has 31 verses in this chapter instead of the KJB's 32.

In 2 Corinthians 13 the KJB has 14 verses, while the Geneva combined verses 12 and 13 into a single verse 12, and then adds the last verse as v. 13. Thus it has one less numbered verse than the KJB.

In Galatians 1 the KJB has 24 verses, but the Geneva bibles had only 23 numbered verses because they combined verses 21 and 22 into a single verse.

In 2 John the KJB has 13 verses but the Geneva bibles only had 12 numbered verses because they combined verses 11 and 12 into a single verse 11.

And finally in Revelation 12 the KJB has only 17 verses but the Geneva has 18. The Geneva bible took Revelation 13:1, split it into two parts and made it 12:18 and 13:1 respectively.

What is the point of all this? Well, when the King James Bible came out it basically followed the Chapter and Verse number divisions of the previous Geneva Bible but it changed it in a few places and the King James Bible became the Standard.

When the new Westcott-Hort, UBS-Catholic bible versions came on the scene, they omitted many entire verses from the New Testament like Matthew 17:21; 18:11; 23:14, Mark 7:16; 9:44; 9:46, 11:26; 15:28; Luke 17:36; 23:17, John 5:4; Acts 8:37; 24:7; 28:29 and Romans 16:24. So what do these modern "Catholic" bibles like the Revised Version 1885, ASV 1901, NASB, NIV, ESV, RSVs do when they come to these verses? They simply skip the number.

For example, when you look at versions like the ESV or the NIV in Matthew chapter 17 when they get to all these verses they have omitted from their texts, you find them numbering like this: Matthew 17:20, 22. When we read these bogus bible versions we have to conclude one of two things. Either they do not know how to count from one to a hundred and should take a remedial Math class; or they are bearing silent witness to an Absolute Standard of written authority and they fall short of this Standard - "Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found WANTING." (lacking) Daniel 5:26.

Bible translations in hundreds of foreign languages all over the world still follow the Chapter and Verse Numbers found in and first established by the King James Holy Bible. Just another coinkidink, huh? That, or it's the sovereign hand of God bearing witness to His true Book, the only one still believed by thousands to be the inerrant words of God.

While we are on the subject of coincidences, let me mention a couple more. At one of the internet clubs a member mockingly asked: "Who authorized the King James Bible?" To whom I responded: "It was the king of England; king James to be exact. Do you have a problem with that? The Bible says: "Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?" Ecclesiastes 8:4.

The man king James had nothing to do with translating the Bible that eventually was associated with his name, but he did authorize it to be read in all churches. His name was James and James is the English equivalent of the Hebrew name Jacob, who was also called Israel. The name Jacob means supplanter or one who takes the place of another. Jacob was a man with faults as was James, but he was the chosen vessel of God to bring about His eternal purposes and Jacob was a believer in the true God. So too was the man king James. The English language has supplanted or taken the place of ancient Hebrew, ancient Greek and most assuredly ancient Latin, the two formerly widespread languages during the times of the early church. And now English is closest thing to a universal language with no foreseeable end in sight. But this is just a coincidence, right?

Well, there is another coincidence associated with the name of the Bible he authorized and which God has used far more than any other Bible in history. The Bible these men produced was simply called "Holy Bible". It was not referred to as the King James Version/Bible or Authorized Version till much later in history when the other popular versions began to

appear. The number 9 in Scripture is associated with the idea of fruitfulness. In the year of jubilee the earth brought forth her new fruits in the 9th year (Leviticus 25:20-22) There are 9 fruits of the Spirit listed in Galatians 5:22-23. Jesus said in John 12:24 "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much FRUIT." When did Jesus die? Scripture tells us that it was at the 9th hour in which He cried with a loud voice and gave up the ghost. See Matthew 27:45-50 and Mark 15:34-37.

The Holy Bible is God's written revelation to mankind. It was not written for the animals nor the plants, nor the fishes in the sea, but for man. And just how long did God design it that the woman's gestation period is before she gives birth to what the Bible calls "the fruit of the womb"? Well, as we all know, it just happens to be 9 months. In the King James Bible the phrase "the fruit of the womb" occurs 6 times, and 6 is the number of man who was created on the 6th day. See Genesis 30:2, Deuteronomy 7:13, Psalm 127:3, Isaiah 13:18, Hosea 9:16 and Luke 1:42. Just another coincidence, huh?

There are 9 letters in the words Holy Bible. There are nine letters in the title "king James". Even when we combine the two to say "King James Holy Bible" we end up with 18 letters, which again brings us back to 9. Oh.. and when was this authorized Holy Bible published and presented to the world? As we all know, it was in the year of our Lord 1611 - and that's another 9, isn't it, and just another "coincidence", I suppose.

I also think the ironic humor of God is seen in how the "No Bible IS inerrant" crowd refer to their own methods of tampering with and continually changing the texts of both the Old and New Testaments. They call this ever changing process the "science of textual criticism" or "the Critical Text". Their "scholarly" shenanigans are about as "scientific" as Witches' Brew and it most definitely is in critical condition.

In 1611 the English language was spoken by a mere 3% of the world's population, but today English has become the closest thing to a universal language in history.

God used the King James Bible to carry His words to the far ends of the earth, where it was translated into hundreds of languages by English and American missionaries for over 300 years. The sun never set on the British empire. It was even taken to space by American astronauts and read from there.

God, who declares the end from the beginning (Isaiah 46:10) knew how He would use England, its language and the King James Bible to accomplish all these things long before they happened.

Oh, and by the way, the King James Bible is the all time Number One Best Selling Book EVER, and that BY FAR! No other book in print even comes close. It is the only Bible God has providentially used in these ways.

In what might well be "the latter times [when] some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils" (1 Timothy 4:1) and unbelief in the inerrancy of any real, hold it in your hands, read and believe every word type of Bible is now the majority view held by professing Christians ("Yea, hath God said....?" Genesis 3:1) the Authorized King James Holy Bible is the **only** Bible believed by thousands upon thousands of blood

bought children of God to be the inspired, infallible and 100% historically true words of the living God.

If you believe the King James Bible IS the inerrant words of God, then give Him the praise and thanksgiving for it. If you do not, may I suggest you get one, read it and ask God to open your eyes and give you the faith to believe His Absolute Standard of Written Truth.

“Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.” Jeremiah 15:16

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