God's East-West Direction for Blessing

It should be noted that the design of European abbeys, cathedrals, minsters, including York Minster, Salisbury Cathedral and Westminster Abbey is such that entry is *west to east*, the *opposite* of God's direction for blessing, as will be shown. It is no coincidence, therefore, that nominal European Christianity i.e. Catholicism has been "*against God*" for the last 1500 years or more.

See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Architecture_of_cathedrals_and_great_churches.

Rome is in particular and will be until the Second Advent a "<u>sin</u> against God" Genesis 39:9, a "<u>spirit</u> against God" Job 15:13, a "<u>hand</u> against God" Job 15:25, "<u>words</u> against God" Job 34:37, a "<u>fight</u> against God" Acts 23:9, "<u>enmity</u> against God" Romans 8:7 and "<u>blasphemy</u> against God" Revelation 13:6. Revelation 13:6 describes the popes, especially the last pope, the final antichrist. See The History of the New Testament Church, Volumes 1, 2 and The Book of Revelation Chapter 13 by Dr Peter S. Ruckman:

"<u>And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God</u>, <u>to blaspheme his name</u>, <u>and his tabernacle</u>, <u>and them that dwell in heaven</u>."

Salisbury Cathedral, in Wiltshire, southwest England, pictured, is typical. It is a magnificent building but, as seen from the layout, it's all wrong. The photo is the *eastern* aspect, showing the east window that is meant to be towards the sun. As seen from the plan drawing, the building is entered from the *west*, called *"the west front."* Thanks to the 16th century English Protestant Reformation, the cathedrals etc. are now all Church of England, not Catholic but the departure from the 1611 Holy Bible is gradually pulling the C of E back into line with Rome.

See <u>en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Salisbury_Cathedral</u>.



Salisbury Cathedral from the east 1220-1380 An essay in Early English Gothic with the tallest spire in England

The plan shows double <u>transepts</u> with aisles and extended east end. (The layout is west to east, left to right.)

The papists excused their layout of the cathedrals as follows, from the Wiki article, this writer's emphases but their excuse doesn't affect the scripture. It just shows the Devil's subtlety, Genesis 3:1 *"Now the serpent was more <u>subtil</u> than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made."*

As described above, the majority of cathedrals and great churches are cruciform in shape with the church having a defined axis. The <u>axis</u> is generally east/west with external emphasis upon the west front, normally the main entrance, and internal emphasis upon the eastern end so that the congregation faces the direction of the coming of <u>Christ</u>*. Because it is also the direction of the rising sun, the architectural features of the east end often focus on enhancing interior illumination by the sun**. Not every church or cathedral maintains a strict east/west axis, but even in those that do not, the terms East End and West Front are used. Many churches of Rome, notably St Peter's Basilica, face the opposite direction***.

*Which 'Christ' though? See Ezekiel 28:14 "Thou art the anointed cherub."

** "Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness" Luke 11:35.

***Rome will never get right, even when facing the right way, Revelation 19:1, 2, 3.

The Lord's east-west movements include:

- That of the sun typifying the Lord Jesus Christ, Psalm 19:4-6, Micah 5:2, Malachi 4:2.
- God's calling to Abraham to go west, Genesis 12:6.
- Jacob's return westwards, Genesis 32-35.
- The entry into the Tabernacle, Numbers 3:38.
- The entry of the nation of Israel into the then land of Canaan, Numbers 19-25.
- The return of the Jews from captivity, Ezra-Nehemiah.
- The coming of *"wise men from the east"* Matthew 2:1.
- The entry of the Lord Jesus Christ into Jerusalem at His Return, Ezekiel 44:1, 2.

See *The Book of Matthew* by Dr Peter S. Ruckman pp 24 ff and the *Ruckman Reference Bible* p 1237. The spread of the Gospel, according to Acts 1:8, goes east to west in church history, from the land of Israel to the British isles *"and unto the uttermost part of the earth,"* the Devil being forced to follow with papal persecutions of true believers. See *The Monarch of the Books* by Dr Peter S. Ruckman pp 6-7, this writer's work *"O Biblios" – The Book* pp 14-15 and *The Great Bible Robbery* Figure 3 www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/.

Note that:

- When God drove Adam and Eve out of Eden, they went *west to east*, Genesis 3:24.
- When Cain left God's presence, he went *west to east*, Genesis 4:16.
- When Jacob fled from Esau, he went *west to east*, Genesis 27:43, 28:5.
- When David fled from Absalom, he went *west to east*, 2 Samuel 15:14, 23.
- When the Jews went into captivity, they went *west to east*, Jeremiah 52: 26, 27, 28, 29, 30.

Note also Ezekiel 8:16, with respect to eastwards worship that is idolatrous worship undertaken by men who had turned their backs on God.

"And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east."

Ezekiel 8:16 is the only time in scripture when worship is said to be *"toward the east."* Worshippers in European abbeys, cathedrals, minsters, including York Minster, Salisbury Cathedral and Westminster Abbey have always *"worshipped...toward the east."*

"They that be wise" Daniel 12:3, therefore, will obey Revelation 18:4, including separation from the Romish counterfeit modern 'bibles' that repeatedly depart from the 1611 Holy Bible in order to line up with Rome's official Catholic Bibles; Douay Rheims, Jerusalem and New Jerusalem Bibles and the Romish New World Translation of the Watchtower cult; NIV, TNIV, ESV, NASV, NRSV, NKJV etc. with which are among Rome's "ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH" Revelation 17:5 by which in large part "the great whore...did corrupt the earth with her fornication" Revelation 19:2. See New Age Versions by Dr Mrs Gail Riplinger for detailed insights into the Romish counterfeit modern 'bibles.' In conclusion "They that be wise" will carefully note Revelation 18:8.

"<u>Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be</u> <u>utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her</u>."