Who Started The Attack on The Bible? BY Will Kinney

The Bible Agnostic crowd, as usual, has everything backwards, as is witnessed by this recent post by Don B. who himself does not believe that any Bible in any language is now or ever was the inerrant words of God.

Don B. posted: "My complaint is with a minority of KJV extremists who seek to divide Christianity and attack the Bible."



Let's address this frequent charge I hear by those who are confronted with the King James Bible issue. I have recently been asked several times: "Why do you King James only people cause divisions in the body and attack the word of God?"

Most of the people asking this question are woefully ignorant of what has been going on for the last 100 years or so, and who started this attack on the Bible. It certainly was not the King James Bible believers. It was the seminaries and the modern versionist themselves who started this attack, not only on the King James Bible but on the doctrine of the inerrancy of Scriptures as a whole.

As for "causing division in the body of Christ" the issue is very simple. Truth always divides. If we who believe in the inerrancy of the King James Bible were to just give up the fight and join in with the crowd by saying: "You know, you guys are right after all. There really is no such thing as an inerrant and 100% true Bible in any language (including "the" Hebrew and "the" Greek); No translation is perfect", then we would be "warmly welcomed back into the fold" and united with them in their basic unbelief in the inerrancy of The Bible.

Then we could all just "get along in Christian love and unity". But by God's grace, we are not going to cave in to the ever growing unbelief in the absolute truth of God's written words but will take our stand on the solid rock of "the book of the LORD", the King James Bible, as being the infallible words of the living God of history and redemption.

The Attack Begins

When the Revised Standard Version came out in 1946 and then was revised three more times till 1973, it did the usual "praise and then blast" syndrome on the King James Bible we see so often today by men like James White, Doug Kutilek, Rick Norris, James Price and D.A. Carson, all of whom have books out there now which say things like "The King James Version is a fine translation", "I love the King James Bible" and then they proceed page after page to blast away at all the alleged "errors" they think they have found in this Bible they profess to love so much.

In the Preface of the RSV we find them first saying: "The King James Version has with good reason been termed "the noblest monument of English prose." We owe to it an incalculable debt." Then in the very next sentence they say: "Yet the King James Version HAS GRAVE DEFECTS....these defects are so many and so serious as to call for revision of the English translation....The KJV of the N.T. was based upon a Greek text that was marred by mistakes."

The RSV continues attacking the King James Bible by further stating: "The King James Version of the New Testament was based upon a Greek text that was marred by mistakes, containing the accumulated errors of fourteen centuries of manuscript copying....We now possess many more ancient manuscripts of the N.T. and are far better equipped to seek to recover the original wording of the Greek text." (page vii of the RSV Preface.)

And what precisely are these so called "oldest and best manuscripts" these modern versions refer to but never identify? They are primarily two Greek manuscripts that differ not only from the vast Majority of all Greek texts, but also from each other more than 3000 times in the gospels alone! If you want to know the FACTS about what these "oldest and best" texts really contain, then check out my article here:

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