"Seek ye out of the book of the LORD, and read..." - Isaiah 34:16

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Introduction

The single most important book in the world to read would be a book written by the Creator of the world. We have that book. It is the King James Bible. It is the very word of God, written by God himself, as he moved holy men of God to speak and to write his words, and to interpret his words perfectly into the English tongue. Though God brought it forth over the course of time and in different tongues, the King James Bible is his very own word in English; perfect and pure; given to the English speaking people in these last days – yet having always been for ever settled in heaven. Why would one not want to read this book, and seek out of it God's promises that he has given to them that will believe?

Consider this thought (a near-quote, whose source I don't recall): "He that <u>will not</u> read God's book has no advantage over he that <u>can not</u> read God's book."

This newsletter is intended to be a help for those who are of an open mind to the things (the words) of God, and of a willing heart to seek out of God's book and read it.

God the Word (Jesus) – the King of kings – delegated his authority to an earthly king (King James) to authorize his (Jesus') final purification of his for-ever-settled word into the English tongue that in the process of time was becoming settled English.

1 Timothy 6:13-15

13 I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession; 14 That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ:

15 Which <u>in his times</u> he shall <u>shew</u>, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

The King James Bible – the Authorized Version – authorized by the only Potentate, the King of kings – is "this commandment" which in his times he "shall shew" (and "hath shewed," e.g., Micah 6:8) to us in these last days ("times"): the King James Bible, given in English, is "this commandment" that has been, and is yet, and will continue to be, kept "without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Science Snippet

God our Creator created the DNA and the genetic code. DNA is the absolutely most densely packed <u>physical</u> information storage and retrieval system imaginable. And, it is life-producing (and life re-producing). Its depth of information, inner workings, and systematic inter-relationships, are acknowledged and understood <u>in part</u>. But it is recognized that there is far more to it, that is simply beyond the comprehension of even the genetic scientists that are studying it.

The word of God (for us in the English-speaking world, the King James Bible) is likewise the most densely packed <u>spiritual</u> information storage and retrieval system imaginable. And it is not merely life-producing – it <u>is</u> life:

...the words that I speak unto you, they are <u>spirit</u>, and they are <u>life</u>. (John 6:63)

And beyond what the genetic scientists are (or ever will be) able to comprehend of the genetic code, God tells us that we, who <u>seek</u> out of the book of the LORD (<u>read</u> it, Isaiah 34:16; and <u>study</u> it, 2 Timothy 2:15; and both <u>hear</u> it <u>do</u> it, Luke 8:21) may (in fact) be able...

...to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height... (Ephesians 3:18)

Critics' Corner

2 Corinthians 6:14-18

For the professional *or amateur* text critic (I used to be among the amateurs) – this section is intended to help you to come out from among them, as I have, and be separate (from the unbelieving text critics), so that the Lord Almighty will receive you and be a Father unto you, and so that you can be his sons and daughters.

Text critics, by definition, do not believe that God has given his word to the English-speaking world. They believe he has kept it hidden in a "corner" (so-to-speak) such as in Hebrew or Greek. Or worse, they believe it was given (past tense) only in "the originals" but do not believe that it is given (present tense, 2 Timothy 3:16). [Note well that when text critics refer to the word of God as "Scripture" (capital "S"), they are not referring to a book – the book of the LORD – which you can hold in your hands and read; rather, they are referring to "the

original autographic text" which no person living today has ever seen.] Worst of all, some *professional* text critics don't believe that even their revered "originals" were given perfect (without spot, unrebukeable), but that in places the writers may have written things that were in error. Yet those trained in the text critics' bible colleges and seminaries stand in their pastoral pulpits and deceive the hearts of their "parishioners" with feigned words (2 Peter 2:3) – with their good words and fair speeches (Romans 16:18) – into thinking they actually believe the text-critical modern versions that they are preaching from, when in fact they don't.

When they say "in the Greek…" or "in the Hebrew… that word is ____, which a-c-t-u-a-l-l-y means ____," what they are a-c-t-u-a-l-l-y doing is parroting the serpent in the garden, "Yea, hath God said…?" (Genesis 3:1), and then offering something else instead, asking their hearers to take a bite of the fruit of the tree of knowledge, whereby they supposedly will become wise. BUT… to those that are truly the "brethren" we are given this encouragement: that…

... not many wise men <u>after the flesh</u>, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: but God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise..." (1 Corinthians 1:26)

My hope for you (if you are a text critic of any sort) is that you will do as I have done...

Because thine <u>heart</u> was <u>tender</u>, and thou didst <u>humble</u> thy<u>self</u> before <u>God</u>, when thou heardest <u>his</u> words... (2 Chronicles 34:27)

God has no pity on the proud, on the shepherds who lead the sheep astray into unbelief and questioning of God's word. God will cut the critics' corruptions asunder. But the poor of God's flock who know God's word – they are the sheep which hear his voice even today, as they always have and always will. Of God's word today, the King James Bible...

... the <u>poor</u> of the flock that waited upon me <u>knew</u> that it was the word of the LORD. (Zechariah 11:11)

Numbers

In the King James Bible, God makes use of numbers. In some respects, his use of numbers is the same in all languages – in English as in Hebrew – such as what certain numbers represent (e.g., "one" representing things belonging to God; "seven" representing perfection or completion). In other respects, God's use of numbers differs in his book in one language from his use of numbers in his book in another language.

Much ado is often made about God's use of numbers in his Hebrew book. And rightly so: there is no doubt about the miraculous "nature" thereof (from what I've heard). But one must know *Hebrew* to see it – to be able to comprehend it. To those of us in the *English*-speaking world, who don't know Hebrew, all we can do regarding the "ado" is to accept what we are told and say "wow, that's great!" (And it is great.) But we really can't look into the Hebrew and truly "see" it ourselves. So for us, God has given a miraculous "nature" of numbers in his English book as well – in his Authorized Version – the King James Bible. Let's take just a sneak-peek (more to come in ensuing newsletters)...

Eleven (11): The number <u>eleven</u> seems to have something to do with understanding. In Genesis <u>11</u> we see God go down to Babel to <u>confound</u> the language so that the people would <u>not understand</u> one another. In my recent studies, I noted that the name "Bethany" occurs exactly <u>eleven</u> times in the King James Bible. Thinking of the significance of that, consider the following:

- Bethany was a city of the sick and poor
- Jesus visited with Simon the leper in Bethany
- Jesus raised Lazarus from the <u>dead</u> in Bethany
- It was in Bethany where an un-named woman anointed Jesus for his own <u>burial</u> with very expensive ointment, eliciting indignation from some that thought it should have been sold so that the money could be given to the <u>poor</u>.

Jesus said "Blessed are the <u>poor</u> in <u>spirit</u>..." It is to them that the Lord Almighty will give understanding: to the humble, the lowly, the weak, the poor in spirit; to those that refuse to think more highly of themselves than they ought, and who will instead receive the word of God as it is in truth – the very word of God. Is it mere coincidence (???) that it is in Zechariah chapter <u>eleven</u> verse <u>eleven</u> where God tells us it is ...

... the <u>poor</u> of the flock that waited upon me <u>knew</u> that it was the word of the LORD. (Zechariah 11:11)

Let us purpose in our hearts to be poor (in spirit), meek, humble; to not think of ourselves more highly than we ought, to be among **the poor of the flock** of our great Shepherd the Lord Jesus Christ, and know that the book he has given us – the Authorized Version: the "King James Bible" – is in fact **the word of the LORD**. Let us put separation between us and the high-minded (the text critics, scholars, theologians, etc.) and come out from among them that are, in that regard, unbelievers, to whom we are not to be unequally yoked together.

Quote to Note

Who uttered these two quotes? ...

"I have two books at my bedside, Lieutenant, the Marine Corps Code of Conduct and the King James Bible. The only proper authorities I am aware of are my commanding officer Colonel Nathan R. Jessup and the Lord our God."

"Commander, I believe in God, and in his son Jesus Christ"

Did you answer, "Kiefer Sutherland (as villainous Lieutenant Kendrick in the 1992 movie 'A Few Good Men')"?

Giving such lines to a movie villain is one of the tactics used by "Hollywood" to disparage Jesus Christ and (especially) the King James Bible. A movie watcher is naturally going to feel like he should be *against* anything that a villain is *for*. And of course the movie's heroes (you know, movie heroes such as Tom Cruise and Demi Moore) don't believe in Jesus Christ <u>or</u> the King James Bible (like the villain does), so the movie watcher, identifying with the movie heroes, will feel like he shouldn't believe in them either. I mean, if it is people like Lieutenant Kendrick that believe in Jesus Christ and the King James Bible, then, ... ???

However, if <u>we</u> truly <u>do</u> believe in Jesus Christ <u>and</u> the King James Bible, we should take such disparagement by "Hollywood" as a badge of honour, and recognize it as a sign identifying <u>who</u>, and <u>what</u>, is the *true* focus of the *enemy*...

- ... the Word of God (Jesus Christ) and ...
- ... the book of the LORD (the King James Bible).

Here's a quote for all of us to embrace...

"I believe in Jesus Christ and the King James Bible."

Recipe Share

I like to bake – though I don't do it very often like I used to when I was my mother's primary caregiver (it's hard to be motivated to bake just for me). Anyway, totally unrelated to the King James Bible ... in this newsletter I would be pleased to share some of my favorite recipes. The ones that I plan to share (one per newsletter) are those that are nostalgic to me, bringing back fond memories from my childhood.

OK, Ok, a King James Bible tie-in, if you insist!... back in my childhood days, I believed the King James Bible to be God's very word. After subsequently spending forty years away from it, in the wilderness so-to-speak, I have returned to my childlike faith therein. My memories of

my childhood belief in the King James Bible have also become nostalgic to me. For me Proverb 22:6 is very real:

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

When I was a child, I was trained to believe the King James Bible – and I was trained how to make...

...my absolute favorite cookie recipe: Nut Horns

Nut Horns

Dough Nut filling

1 lb Crisco
6 cups flour
6 egg yolks
1 lb chopped English walnuts
2 cups sugar – granulated
6 egg whites beaten foamy

2 packages dry yeast 1 large canned milk 1 tea-spoon salt

Directions

Cut Crisco into flour – dissolve yeast in a little of the canned milk (warmed). Beat egg yolks and add with milk, yeast and salt to the flour & Crisco. Mix well, set in covered dish. Set in refrigerator a couple hours or (better yet) overnight. Roll thin in powdered sugar & cut in ~2-inch squares. Put a teaspoon of nut filling on each one. Roll starting at corner & pinch corners together well. Bake on un-greased pan in 325° oven 6-7 minutes. (Time may vary depending on conventional or convection oven.) Bottoms should be lightly brown. Line up on a clean sheet (I use a pillow-case) on table, and sprinkle with powdered sugar while still warm.

You may like them warm. Or room temperature. I do too, but I actually like them best frozen, so I box them in, like, 7x9 Tupperware containers (between layers of wax paper) and freeze them, and eat them directly from the freezer.

Wrap-up

It is my hope that this brief introductory newsletter will be a blessing to all that read it – and likewise with all forthcoming newsletters that are yet to be written. My desire is to help you, the reader, just as I myself have been helped by others. Let us turn away from today's...

corrupters (Deut 4:15-16, 2 Co 2:17, Eccl 1:9) and perverters (Jer 23:36, Acts 20:30, Eccl 1:9)... they being the text critics and their modern versions.

And let us instead ...

Seek...out of <u>the</u> book of the LORD, and read... (Isaiah 34:16).