

“Seek ye out of the book of the LORD, and read...” – Isaiah 34:16

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Banned from the Bible

A few years ago, someone mentioned a show on the History Channel called “Banned from the Bible,” which was causing this person “grief and confusion.” The premise of the show, no doubt, was that (1) there were things that were banned from the Bible, and (2) banning things from the Bible is bad. In my reply, I stated that first and foremost, we should never, ever trust the “history” channel as a conveyor of truth. They have an agenda, and it is against God and his word.

If you are starting to become aware of the Devil’s devices (2 Corinthians 2:11) – in particular his modern versions that he uses to corrupt God’s word – you will no doubt start to also become a target of the enemy; and he will use “devices” such as a TV and a “history” channel program to try causing grief and confusion, in his attempt to stop you from trusting God’s Holy Bible.

(Might I be so bold as to say that the Devil wouldn’t bother with us so much if we would just give up our King James Bible and start using one of his corrupted versions instead?)

I’ve never seen that “history” channel program, so I can’t comment on anything particular in it. However, we must keep in mind that The Holy Bible – the book of the LORD (the King James Bible) – that we hold in our hands is the very word of God; and *God has indeed banned MANY things from his book!* It really doesn’t matter what the “wise” (in their own eyes) men think about that. Only God’s words are included: men’s words are banned. Men (“history” channel program producers) see something banned from the Bible and they think it’s some grievous thing (as though what was banned really ought to have been included – like gnostic and apocryphal books, etc.). That show most likely had Roman Catholic influences underwriting it...influencers, that is, who might be upset at *what* God banned from his book.

Despising the book of the LORD, rather than believing it, ultimately can lead to despising Jesus, its author and finisher, of whom it is written.

For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. (John 5:46)

... O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: (Luke 24:25)

... all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. (Luke 24: 44)

Just a couple examples of words that God has banned from his book...

sex: God banned this word from his book (in any form, other than backward such as in axes, taxes & foxes), knowing how it would be used today. God uses words such as “knew” and “went in unto” to refer to marital relations between a man and a woman; and such as “adultery” and “fornication” to refer to other relations...

that sin ... might become exceeding sinful.
(Romans 7:13)

fun: It is notable that God does not tell us anywhere to “go, and have fun.” Instead, God’s people are rebuked with these words:

Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. (1 Corinthians 10:7, referring to Exodus 32:6)

If you’re interested, “fun” backwards (nuf) can be found in the bible: but only in the word “snuff.” Notice how this word is used the very last time, regarding the table of the LORD:

Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness is it! and ye have snuffed at it, saith the LORD of hosts; ... (Malachi 1:13)

The priests, preferring “fun,” snuffed at the table of the LORD, and at his word, and polluted it. And instead, they did their own thing: rising up to play - to have fun. Modern-day text critics also snuff at the LORD’s table and his word that is to sit thereon, and actually have their own brand of “fun” polluting it with their modern versions.

Let it not be lost upon us: that whereas God has banned many things *from his* book; those of the “history” channel mindset have, in times past, both banned and burned the entire book ... of the LORD ... so that they could offer their own per(sonal)versions instead.

Don’t get upset that things were (and are) “banned from the Bible.” Instead give thanks to God that he has banned from his book the corruptions and perversions of man, and that his book contains only his words.

Science Snippet

The book of the LORD (Isaiah 34:16) is also called “the book of the law of God” (Joshua 24:26). When we study God’s creation we are discovering God’s *natural* laws. When we study God’s book, we are studying God’s *spiritual* laws.

For we know that the law is spiritual (Romans 7:14)

We also know that the law is not just the books of Moses. For example, God (by the pen of Paul) called Isaiah “the law.”

In the law it is written, With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord.

(1 Corinthians 14:21, referring to Isaiah 28:11-12)

In James, the term “the perfect law” is used in reference to the entirety of the scriptures.

People who deny God’s *spiritual* laws that are found in “the book of the law of God” are also most likely to deny God’s *natural* laws. We see that very thing in the realm of “science” with the entirely non-sensical philosophy of biological evolution. Evolution is portrayed as “knowledge.” The word “science” means “knowledge.” [God possesses “omni-science” – all-knowledge.] God would call the evolution story...

...profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called. (1 Timothy 6:20)

A few of God’s natural laws that are denied by the evolution storytellers are...

Law of the Cell

Law of Biogenesis

Law of Information

These natural laws state that, *in nature*, cells, life, and information come only from already-existing sources of the same. These laws refute the very idea of cells, life, and information arising naturally from non-living chemicals. Thus *science* tells us that cells, life, and information had to have originated supernaturally. I.e., they were created by God. In Genesis, we read:

And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. (Genesis 2:7)

And ... whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof. (Genesis 2:19)

So God formed the original cells “of the dust” and breathed into man the original “breath of life” and imparted the original intellect/information (such that Adam could immediately name every living creature). God is the source of it all.

In our ever increasingly godless world, we endure an endless barrage of “non-science” (or, non-sense... with a Southern accent) as “scientists,” who wish to deny God, strive with all their worth to refute the laws of nature; with the ulterior motive of denying the law of God. Their “science falsely so called” is known as ...

abiogenesis - which is their *blind-faith belief* that... life arose *naturally* from non-living chemicals.

The “a” prefixing “biogenesis” means “not.” The belief in “abiogenesis” is thus, *by its very name*, a denial of scientific law. “Scientists” who believe in abiogenesis reject the Law of Biogenesis, and are thus living in a perpetual state of denial – an “*opposition* of science” – for the very purpose of denying the existence of God.

The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. (Psalm 14:1)

Critics’ Corner

What does God think of text critics and their textual criticism of his book and his words???

Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, I am, and none else beside me. (Isaiah 47:10)

...ye have perverted the words of the living God, of the LORD of hosts our God. (Jeremiah 23:36)

The book of the LORD (the King James Bible) is God’s thoughts given to us. Whereas the text critic in his own pompous pride would say of himself “I am, and none else beside me” ...[which is why he would even *think* about “correcting” God] ...God would remind him that...

...as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. (Isaiah 55:9)

And if the text critic will repent and humble himself and pray for forgiveness, God’s book tells us that...

He [God] looketh upon men, and if any say, I have sinned, and perverted that which was right, and it profited me not;

He [God] will deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light. (Job 33:27-28)

When I recognized my engagement in textual criticism, I had to repent, and humble myself, and confess to God that sin (of textual criticism of God’s word); and then “come out from among them and be ... separate” (from the text critics), and “touch not the unclean thing” (their modern versions). (2 Corinthians 6:17)

If you are yet among the text critics, I pray that you also will “come out from among them.”

Numbers

In a recent study (earlier this year of 2019), we looked briefly into the number four (4). As a stepping stone into this study, we began with the name of one of our “members” – Sara. In the King James Bible we noticed that the name “Sara” (spelled with exactly 4 letters) occurs exactly 4 times, beginning in Romans chapter 4.

So, we wondered, what significance might the name “Sara” (that exact spelling) have pertaining to the gospel (God’s spelling of his words/names)?

Four (4): The number four seems to have a very strong relationship to Jesus Christ. Some very notable observations regarding the number four include the following:

- Jesus created the sun on the 4th day (Genesis 1:14-19). [...by him (Jesus) were all things created (Colossians 1:16). 16 = 4x4.]
- In Malachi 4:2 we read, But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings.
- It is very telling that the book of Numbers is the 4th book of the bible. It is as though Jesus is giving us a hint that numbers in his word point to him. [... had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. (John 5:46)]
- It should be noted well, that the name JEHOVAH is spelled out in the King James Bible exactly 4 times.
- The word “sun”/“Sun” occurs 160 times in the book of the LORD: 160 = 4 x 40. Forty (40) is a number which represents purifying/purging. In Hebrews, it is written that Jesus (4) purged (40) our sins.
- Jesus appears as the 4th in the fiery furnace: Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God. (Daniel 3:25)
- It is noteworthy that there are four (4) books of the bible called “the gospel.”
- In the 4th book of the bible (Numbers), we read of the fiery serpent set upon a pole, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live. In the 4th gospel, Jesus reveals that this fiery serpent points to himself being lifted up on the cross, made to be sin for us, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

And that’s just a taste:

O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. (Psalm 34:8)

Let us trust in him – Jesus Christ – AND his word...

...for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name. (Psalm 138:2)

Quote to Note

In the previous newsletter, I offered an encouragement to embrace the quote...

“I believe in Jesus Christ and the King James Bible.”

If we do believe in Jesus Christ and the King James Bible, let us desire to look therein, and quote his words. Not just from the gospels, but from the entire book: seeing that Jesus is the true author of it:

...the author and finisher of our faith. (Hebrews 12:2)

...in the volume of the book it is written of me

Psalm 40:7 & Hebrews 10:7)

...the book of the LORD (Isaiah 34:16)

May I note? ... that to quote ...

from the exact words of the LORD ...

from the book of his written word ...

we must read and memorize that which we desire to quote. Many people quote lines from movies, and find “fun” in doing so. Let us quote from the King James Bible, and we will find...(not “fun” but)

...joy unspeakable (1 Peter 1:8)

... And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding... (Philippians 4:7)

In the previous newsletter, the name “Bethany” was related to the number “eleven” and its association with “understanding.” Combined with “Bethany” occurring exactly eleven times in the King James Bible, is the obvious fact that “Bethany” contains seven letters. Seven is a number associated with perfection. Thus, “Bethany” points us to a revelation that we can have perfect understanding of things written in God’s book. But note well ... a good understanding have all they that do his commandments (Psalm 111:10). [Interestingly, 111+10=121, which is 11x11... not just understanding (11), but a good understanding (11x11)]; or, as we read in Luke 1:3, a “perfect understanding...” In the “BETH” portion of Psalm 119, it is in verse 11 that we find the quote to note for this month’s newsletter. Let us start here, hiding God’s word (not man’s in modern versions; but God’s in his Authorized Version – the King James Bible) in our hearts...

Psalm 119:11

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

And then...let us go on unto perfection (Hebrews 6:1) ... by doing according to his word(s) which we are hiding in our hearts.

Notice the 9 between the 11s? The number 9 is associated with bearing fruit, which is brought to ... fruition ... with a good/perfect understanding (11x11).

Recipe Share

In the previous newsletter, I shared a cookie recipe. This time I'm sharing a somewhat healthier recipe (though not what today's product labels would call "heart healthy").

As a King James Bible tie-in (if you insist... or even if you don't), since I mentioned modern food labels, consider the food for our souls. There is unhealthy food which, if we partake of it, will contribute to all kinds of health problems (spiritual health problems... caused by unhealthy food of modern versions). BUT, we also have the King James Bible, which is the word of God – the bread of life from heaven – and which is the only food for our souls that is truly "heart healthy."

Please do not associate my offering of not-heart-healthy food recipes, IN ANY WAY WHATSOEVER, as an endorsement of eating or even tasting (spiritually) the heart-UN-healthy food of modern versions.

This newsletter's "kinda heart healthy" (heart-healthier than Nut Horns, at least) recipe share ... is ...

Baked Spaghetti

For large casserole baking dish

1 pound spaghetti – cook & salt
1 pound ground beef (fry out – drain & salt)
½ cup chopped pepper
(green and red if you like to add color)
½ cup chopped onion
2 cups loosely packed Velveeta cheese (cubed)
(it must be Velveeta, which browns very nicely and tastily on the sides of the casserole dish)
1–2 pints tomato soup
(or, you can use 1 pint & thin with tomato juice)
Salt & pepper, & dash of oregano & basil

Grease casserole dish & add the above in layers

Bake un-covered for 1.5 hours
Start at 400° for 15-20 minutes
Then turn down to 350° for the remainder

I typically pull out and stir at about 1 hour.

For me, it is done when, after the stirring, the top starts to become slightly "encrusted" or "burnt." As a child, I would always say "I want the burnt stuff!"

If you try it, let me know what you think.

Wrap-up

Let us continue to keep these words in mind and heart:

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Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. (Psalm 119:11)

...in the volume of the book it is written of me... (Psalm 40:7 & Hebrews 10:7)

...for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name. (Psalm 138:2)

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