

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

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Introduction

In a prior newsletter, I may have referred to our calendar year 2020 as a year of perfect vision (20/20), wherein the events of that year may have helped me to start to see more clearly how it could become possible for things God has spoken of in his book to develop so quickly, and to now appear to be able to come to pass “suddenly”. Now our calendar year 2022 has arrived. The number **11** is related to understanding, and $2 \times 11 = 22$ could relate to having a good understanding. This may be a year of good understanding. In a recent study, the jubile (which occurs **22x** in God’s book, the KJB) was shown to be the key to understanding the time of our Lord Jesus Christ’s first visitation, and possibly also his forthcoming return. That time may be “suddenly” approaching... The word “sudden(ly)” occurs **44x** in the KJB. Recalling from prior studies and newsletters how strongly the number **4** is related to things pertaining to Jesus Christ, I wonder if in calendar year 2022 we will come to understand (**11**) how the return of Jesus Christ (**4**) can arrive so “sudden(ly)” (**11** x **4** = **44**).

To those of us that believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and are... “Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God” (2 Peter 3:12), none of what is happening should cause us to be troubled. For others (those who don’t, or don’t yet, believe on Jesus Christ, this *should* be troubling to their souls; and I would hope that it *would* trouble them - in such a way that they would want the troubling of their souls to be remedied... and that it would thus cause them to want to believe on Jesus Christ, the author of peace (1 Corinthians 14:33) and to call on him to ask for his salvation, so that they too can have the peace and comfort that we have – that only Jesus Christ can give: perfect peace, and the comfort of the scriptures; knowing that we have everlasting life that Jesus has promised to all that put their trust in him.

Comfort and Peace

The King James Bible, being Jesus Christ’s written word to the English-speaking world, conveys to his English-speaking people a peace and comfort that only he can give. And it likewise promises that peace and comfort to

any and all who will choose to believe on him. We have no reason for fear or anxiety to grip our souls, so long as we trust in Jesus Christ and take comfort in him by reading, and believing, and keeping his written word...

...**Peace, peace** to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the LORD... (Isaiah 57:19)

The entirety of Isaiah 57 should be read and carefully considered, as pertaining to who it is that can receive God’s peace. It is *not* for *everyone* that is near or far off; but only to them that are of a contrite and humble spirit.

But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest... (Isaiah 57:20)

There is no peace...to the wicked. (Isaiah 57:21)

With regard to the world around us today, Psalm 91 can be a comfort...

Surely he shall deliver thee from...the noisome pestilence...the pestilence that walketh in darkness...(Psalms 91:3,6)

...but only if the very beginning of the psalm is true. We must dwell in the secret place of the most High, and thus abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. (Psalms 91:1)

That secret place – the place that is under the LORD’s shadow – is his written word; which for us is the King James Bible. Note well the word “dwell(eth)” and also the word “abide”. These words do not mean “visit” every-once-in-a-while. Nor do they mean going and visiting other versions. What they mean is: reading, and believing, and keeping, and meditating upon his written word alone, daily. I would exhort all who read this to start doing so, or to be sure to continue doing so, until that day when our **Lord Jesus Christ** returns to reign in righteousness, and **we** with him rule in judgment...

Behold, a **king** shall reign in righteousness, and **princes** shall rule in judgment. (Isaiah 32:1)

And a **man** shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as **rivers of water** in a dry place, as the shadow of a **great rock** in a weary land. (Isaiah 32:2)

Pronounce it Right

Judges 12:6

To lighten (un-weigh) this section in this edition of the newsletter, and disconnect it from the focus on the circumstances we are under in the seemingly sudden approach to the time of our Lord's return... allow me to share something that I never thought of before, but just "saw" for the first time in my evening readings recently. Allow me to share it by way of a "trivia" type of game... with a question and answer (Q&A)...

Q: Who was the first king of Israel?

If you answered "Saul the son of Kish" ... go to the back of the line (where I was til just recently). Saul was not, in fact, the first king of Israel.

I had always thought of Saul as the first king of Israel, seeing he was anointed king of Israel by Samuel after the people complained about having judges rather than a king like the nations around them (1 Samuel 8:1-9).

Interestingly, as an aside, there was another king Saul before the one that Samuel anointed – though that earlier one was not king of Israel but of Edom (Genesis 36:31-38). But, no, that is not the earlier king I'm referring to, that I recently "saw"...

A: The first king who reigned over Israel was...
(see answer upside-down below)

In Judges chapter 9 we can read about this person, who was made king, and reigned over Israel three years (Judges 9:22). It is this particular king that is referred to in 2 Samuel 11:21 (referencing Judges 9:53). Searching all that is written pertaining to this earlier king, it can be ascertained that he was of the tribe of Manasseh, and his father was the more well-known Gideon. Gideon was also called Jerubbaal, because he threw down the altar of Baal. It is Gideon/Jerubbaal who is referred to as Jerubbesheth in 2 Samuel 11:21. Abimelech was a son of Gideon's maidservant, and he slew Gideon's seventy other sons (yes, 70 sons) save the youngest named Jotham. The entire account is recorded in Judges chapters 6-9. Gideon, by the way, is mentioned in Hebrews 11:32 as one of those who, through faith, obtained a good report.

(By the way, there is no "trivia" in God's book. All things therein are for a purpose, and no things therein should be "trivialized" as being unimportant.)

A: Abimelech the son of ...Gideon (aka Jerubbaal aka Jerubbesheth)

Science Snippet

1 Timothy 6:20

Science, in its general meaning, is knowledge. Science and conscience are the only forms of the word that God uses in his book, the KJB...

- science – 2x
- conscience – 32x (= 4 x 4 ... x 2)

How does God define "conscience" in his book? There is no need to go looking in a man-made dictionary for God's meaning. We should simply look to God's book and ascertain its meaning therefrom. For instance, let's look at just the first four occurrences of the word:

And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one... (John 8:9)

... Men and brethren, I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day. (Acts 23:1)

... I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men. (Acts 24:16)

Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness... (Romans 2:15)

What I noticed in these verses is the "con-vening" (together-meeting) of two things. Consider the first verse (John 8:9). When the Pharisees heard "it" (what Jesus said), and there was a ... "togetherness" ... of their own "knowledge" with Jesus' "knowledge" (a "conscience"), they were "convicted" and went out one by one.

	"con-science" (togetherness of knowledge)	
	<i>Of</i>	<i>With</i>
John 8:9	Pharisees	Jesus
Acts 23:1	Paul	God
Acts 24:16	Paul	God
Romans 2:15	Gentiles, which have not the law	the law written in their hearts

Let us ponder (muse) upon the depth or extent of our own togetherness of knowledge with that of Jesus – of God – and his "law" which is both written in our hearts, and written in the King James Bible. Let each of us ask ... Is my "heart" "tender" (2 Chronicles 34:27) such that I will "humble" my "self" before the LORD and his word? If so, it will undoubtedly lead to us having a "good conscience" before God (Acts 23:1). And then we can have confidence that the LORD will hear us as he heard king Josiah in 2 Chronicles 34:27 (2 Kings 22:19).

Critics' Corner

Jeremiah 23:36, 2 Corinthians 2:17

Continuing from the "Science Snippet" regarding "conscience" ... beware of the Critics' "meat" (their modern versions, by analogy), and think carefully about such "meat" that they offer to idols (1 Corinthians 8). The Critics (of the KJB ... make no mistake about what they are actually "critics" of) remove "conscience" from John 8:9. In fact, in their modern versions, they either remove the entire passage containing John 8:9 or, if they include it, they question it in some manner (be it by footnote or by bracketing it, or both). Consider, though, in one example, how they like to re-word John 8:9 when they *don't* simply remove the passage...

KJB	ESV (see also NIV, NAS, et.al.)
<p><u>John 8:9</u> And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst.</p>	<p>[John 8:9] [But when they heard it, _____ they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones _____ and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him.]</p>

Were they "convicted by their own conscience"? Or, did they stomp away angry??? The *ESV* doesn't say. **God's** book (the **KJB** - **the** faith) does.

May we that have knowledge (science, conscience) take heed to not be "of them who draw back unto perdition" (Hebrews 10:39) to sit at "meat" (under the reading and teaching of modern versions) in the idol's temple (wherever that may be), and become a stumblingblock to them of weak conscience, emboldening them to continue to eat such "meat" (1 Corinthians 8:6-10).

Numbers Nugget

Psalms 71:15

Recalling that the number four (4) has a strong relation to Jesus Christ, consider the following...

Referring to "Comfort and Peace"

- The word peace occurs together with itself as ... "peace, peace" (or "Peace, peace") four times (4x) (1 Chronicles 12:18, Isaiah 57:19, Jeremiah 6:14, 8:11)
 - In those doubled occurrences, there are $2 \times 4 = 8$ occurrences of the word "peace".
 - The 2nd occurrence (Isaiah 57:19) is the one in which we read of Jesus Christ's peace. In John 14:27, Jesus refers to his peace as "my peace". The term

"my peace" occurs 8 times, with John 14:27 being the 8th (= 2×4).

- The last occurrence (Jeremiah 8:11) may be in that so-numbered verse (8:11) as a connection to those doubled ($2 \times 4 = 8$) occurrences of "peace", with the number 11 related to the **understanding** that Jesus gives concerning his peace... and comfort...
 - The word "comfort" (capitalized only when starting a sentence) occurs 66x ($66 = 6 \times 11$).
 - The $66 = 6 \times 11$ books in God's book should help us **understand** the **peace** and **comfort** that Jesus Christ gives to those of us that believe on him.
- The word "comforter" (un-capitalized) occurs 4x, but the lower-case ...in each case... refers to having no comforter from among mere men. (Ecclesiastes 4:1 [2x], Lamentations 1:9, 1:16)
- The word "Comforter" (Capitalized) occurs 4x, all four being in the 4th gospel (John); and we are explicitly told that he is the Holy Ghost – the Spirit of truth – whom Jesus Christ would send from the Father, that he may abide with us for ever, and teach us all things that Jesus has said unto us, and bring all those things to our remembrance; and he shall testify of Jesus Christ. (John 14:16, 14:26, 15:26, 16:7)

Referring to the "Science Snippet"

Regarding our conscience, there will be some that will (collectively) harden their heart, resulting in their conscience (togetherness of knowledge) being seared...

Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from **the** faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their **conscience seared** with a hot iron; (1 Timothy 4:1-2)

The faith that is given to the English-speaking world for these last days... is none other than the **KJB**. In the "Science Snippet", I concluded with an encouragement to be of a "tender" "heart"... which will lead to having a "good conscience"...

- "good conscience" occurs six times (6x) in the KJB. The number 6 is has a strong relation "man" in God's book – it is our conscience (our togetherness with God's knowledge) that causes our conscience to become good.
 - Acts 23:1; 1 Timothy 1:5,19; Hebrews 13:18, and 1 Peter 3:16,21)
- "tender" and "heart" (including "tenderhearted") occur together [in the same verse] four times (4x) in the KJB. The number 4 has a strong relation to Jesus Christ in God's book – it is Jesus Christ and his

word that softens our hearts (if we wish it or allow it) to cause us to become tenderhearted.

- 2 Kings 22:19; 2 Chronicles 13:7 & 34:27; and Ephesians 4:32

Quote to Note

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. (Isaiah 40:1)

Recipe Share

God's book contains both milk and meat: milk for those who are just beginning to partake and learn God's word; and meat for those who have grown to some degree of maturity. I myself still drink milk at times, to wash down the meat (if you get my drift – the analogy being that, as I do with actual food, I also do with God's word). In these newsletters, I am often sharing things that would be considered more ... meaty ... than milky. And so, in this first newsletter of 2022, I would like to share my mom's recipe for ... "Meatloaf - Full Force."

Of course, I have to first look at a tie-in to the King James Bible – so first, consider something Jesus said...

Jesus saith unto them, My **meat** is to **do** the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work. (John 4:34)

Of course, he is speaking of spiritual meat. We should be as those of the very early church (the one in the wilderness (Acts 7:38) who "...did all eat the same spiritual meat" (1 Corinthians 10:3).

Seeing that this meatloaf recipe is to be baked, it might be interesting to observe the following in the KJB:

- The word "**bakemeats**" occurs one time (1x).
- The word "**bake**" (including "baked" and "baken") occurs with the word "meat" in the same verse a total of seven times (7x).
- "meat"+"meats" occurs 290 + 9 = 299x (= 13 x 23, two prime numbers, for what that's worth).
- "bake" (including baked, baken, baketh, bakemeats) occurs 24x.
- "baker" (including bakers, bakers') occurs **11x**.

The number **11**, as noted in prior newsletters, has a strong relation to **understanding**. If God's word includes "meat" that is to be "baken"/"baked" ... I wonder who we should **understand** to be the "**baker**" thereof? Do I need to answer that? (Just to make sure there's no ... mis-understanding, it is, of course, **Jesus Christ**.)

Meatloaf – Full Force (3-4 Loafs) (or is it ... loaves?)

- 5 pounds ground chuck
 - ¼ - ½ cup wheat germ
 - 1 cup oatmeal
 - 1 cup tomato juice
 - 1 cup bread crumbs
 - ¼ cup ketchup
 - 5 eggs
 - 2 tablespoons honey
 - 3 teaspoons salt
 - 1 teaspoon pepper
 - 2 - 3 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
 - 2 tablespoons parsley flakes
 - 2 onions
 - 2 teaspoons celery salt
 - 2 teaspoons garlic salt
 - ¼ cup dry milk
 - 2 teaspoons dry mustard
 - ???
 - cup milk or zucchini milk
- (sorry for the ???, but that's what it says: add to suit)

Bake at 350° for 1 hour.

Wrap-up

Regarding the **full force** of God's word (see recipe title above), the words "full" and "force" occur together in the same verse only one time (1x)...

For the land is **full** of adulterers; for because of swearing the land mourneth; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and their course is evil, and their **force** is not right. (Jeremiah 23:10)

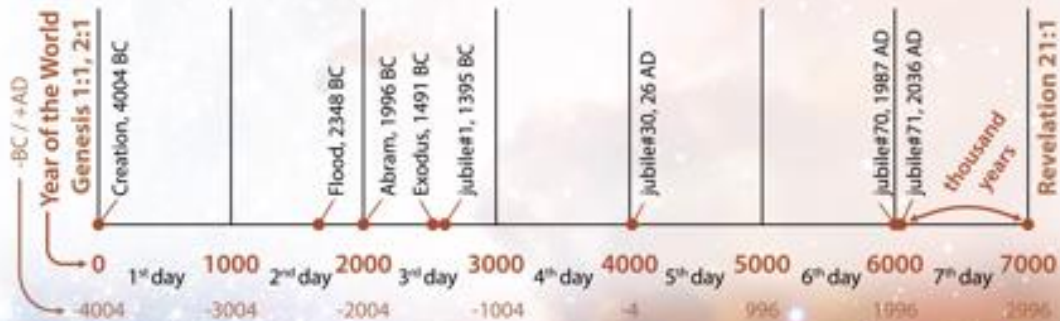
Consider what the "land" is like here and now, in the year 2022, where we live (wherever that is). Consider just how "suddenly" the course of this world has become so evil, and the force of those in power has become so ... not right ... just in this past one year alone. Consider the last couple newsletters, pertaining to the LORD's judgment that has been prophesied, and how – afterward – Jesus will return to reign in righteousness, and we with him will rule in judgment (Isaiah 32:1)... for a thousand years (Revelation 20:4,6). The time is near at hand, or so it would seem ... and so the chronology of God's book might also reveal. Look for a book that is hot off the press as of the date of this newsletter, that lays out God's calendar and shows how close we might be to that time ... "the last time" [**four** (4x) occurrences in three verses... 1 Peter **1**:5, 1 John **2**:18, Jude **1**:18] ...

THE LAST TIME

THE COMING JUBILE

...one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day (2 Peter 3:8)

Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God (Exodus 20:9-10)



Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

1 John 2:18

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