

Defending the King James Bible (AV1611) as the preserved Word of God

1. English speaking people in 1999 can have God's pure word.

A. The Word of God was given by divine inspiration.

1. 2 Peter 1:20-21 Holy men wrote scripture as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.
2. 2 Tim 3:16 All scripture was given by inspiration of God.
3. Ex 34:27-28 God told Moses what to write, and Moses did.
4. I Thes 2:13 We are to receive scripture as coming from God, not men.

B. God said He would preserve His word *forever*.

1. Is 30:8 The Lord's words were put in a book that we may have them *forever*.
2. Ps 119:152 The Lord founded His testimonies *forever*.
3. Ps 119:160 The Lord's judgments endureth *forever*.
4. Luke 21:33 His words will not pass away, (His word endureth *forever* – I Pet 1:25)

C. God calls copies of His word scripture.

1. Deut 17:18-19 All the words of the law were kept through a *copy*.
2. Prov 25:1 The book of Proverbs is itself a *copy*.
3. 2Tim 3:15 Timothy did not have originals Heb 9:4 & I Sam 6:19 yet his *copy* was called scripture
4. Acts 18:28 Apollos did not have originals, yet his *copy* was called scripture.
5. Acts 17:2,11 Paul and the Bereans did not have originals, yet their *copy* was called scripture.

D. God *translates* his Word into other languages.

1. Scripture translates itself on occasion.

- a. Dan 5:25-28 *Translations* aren't one word for one word, yet they can be accurate.
- b. Mark 15:34 Four Hebrew words are *translated* into nine English words.
- c. Luke 23:38 One phrase was *translated* into three languages.
- d. Acts 21:40 Paul's Hebrew was *translated* into the original Greek manuscript.
- e. The book of Romans was most likely written in Latin and then *translated* into "the original Greek."

2. God's word is *translated* into other tongues by necessity.

- a. I Cor 14:10-11 Un-*translated* preaching is meaningless.
- b. Acts 2:4-11 At Pentecost ever man heard in a *translated* tongue.
- c. Matt. 24:14 Christ said His gospel would be preached unto all nations
- d. Acts 1:8 Christ commanded the apostles to witness to the outer most parts of the world.

II. God gave criteria for identifying His Word (whether it be a copy, translation, or both).

A. God warns corrupters of His Word will appear – 2 Cor 2:17.

1. Jer 23:31 misquoting and misrepresenting the Word of God
2. 2 Cor 4:2 handling the word of God deceitfully.

B. God has given the following to identify forgeries:

1. His Word is pure, therefore,
 - * Can the copy be broken? – John 10:35
 - * Does the copy contain internal contradictions? – Prov 8:8
2. His Word is kept whole; therefore,
 - * Has the copy been kept in it's entirety? – Ps 12:6-7
 - * Has the copy lost a jot or a tittle? – Matt 5:18
3. His Word came by the Spirit and the Spirit glorifies Jesus Christ; therefore,
 - * Does the copy glorify Jesus Christ? – John 16:13-14

III. Inaccurate prophecy is a lie, to be walked away from, and judged by its fruits.

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| * Is 8:20 | There is no light in those that speak not according to His Word. |
| * I John 2:21 | No lie is of the truth. |
| * I John 4:1 | Believe not every spirit, but try the spirits |
| * Deut 13:1-5 | Walk after God, not after false prophets. |
| * Prov 8:12-21 | Nations with the Word of God will prosper. |
| * Matt 7:15-20 | The pure Word of God cannot bring forth evil fruit. |