Godly Accomplishments WITHOUT The KJV

No Christian ever, at anytime or in any location throughout the entire world for over 1,600 years, ever cited, pondered, quoted or preached from the King James Version of the Bible until 1611. God's word spread and the pure Gospel was *powerfully* preached without it. Multitudes of souls were saved from sin's bondages and from Hell by what they heard - the pure word of God. Numerous Christian *martyrs* and others, who endured to the end entered Paradise (Mt. 10:22; Heb. 3:14; Rev. 2:10,11), yet never heard of the King James Version of the Bible. Their Godly examples were noteworthy still they never used the KJV when they studied, taught God's word or defended the Christian faith. God doesn't change.

Here is a short review of what commands that could be fully obeyed and what the Holy Spirit of God did through the saints for over 1600 years, **without even one verse from the KJV ever being mentioned** even a single time to just one person:

"**Preach the Word**; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage--with great patience and careful instruction." (2 Tim 4:2)

"Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching." (1 Tim 4:13)

"... He [Apollos] was a learned man, with a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures. He had been instructed in the way of the Lord, and he spoke with great fervor and taught about Jesus accurately, though he knew only the baptism of John." (Acts 18:24,25)

"...On arriving, he [Apollos] was a great help to those who by grace had believed. For he vigorously refuted the Jews in public debate, **proving from the Scriptures** that Jesus was the Christ." (Acts 18:27,28)

Apollos was a champion defender of the faith (as Paul was), yet neither cited the KJV even once. Both had a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures and was of "great help" to the saints.

"So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith." (Acts 6:7)

Again, the word of God that was spread was not from the King James Version of the Bible, yet a large number of priests became obedient to the faith. Also, when Stephen was brought before the Sanhedrin (Acts 7), he quoted *scripture* about 10 times in his impromptu message, yet did that without the KJV.

"Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went." (Acts 8:4)

After Stephen was martyred, all the other Christians except the apostles, scattered and **preached God's word**, but absolutely none had or ever cited the KJV even once.

"When they had testified and **proclaimed the word of the Lord**, Peter and John returned to Jerusalem, **preaching the gospel** in many Samaritan villages." (Acts 8:25)

The apostles accomplished that too without a KJV. To teach the KJV is the only word of God is completely *irrational and impossible*. Such a belief categorically ignores the evidence to the *shame* of all who embrace that view.

Furthermore, Peter, at the house of Cornelius, **taught them the truth about salvation** (Acts 10:34-43) and everyone got saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, then were water baptized afterwards. In reference to that event, we read, "The apostles and the brothers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had **received the word of God**" (Acts 11:1). **That too was accomplished without the King James Version of the Bible.**

"But the word of God continued to increase and spread." (Acts 12:24)

"As his custom was, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures." (Acts 17:2)

All that is just a *small* portion of clear proof that could be cited. **Churches were started and many wonderful things were done by the Christians. Their glorious achievements** with the scriptures are such blessings to read, but all were done **without the KJV.** To believe the KJV is the only word of God is to say there was no word of God until 1611. To condemn or even look down on Christians who don't use the KJV is irrational and a *hindrance to true Christian unity*. Please, for the sake

of SOULS and the real body of Christ stop this KJV only nonsense immediately.

Answers For Your KJV Questions

Is the *King James Only belief* credible? Is the King James Version (KJV) the one and only Word of God or is that an *extreme distortion*, even a severe stumbling-block to others?

The truth is: the real Word of God is the actual writings first recorded in Hebrew and Greek from Genesis through **Revelation.** Because most people cannot read Hebrew and Greek, the need existed to translate the existent manuscripts accurately into the languages of the different peoples worldwide. Hence, there are translations of the Bible into many different languages: Chinese, Spanish, French, English, etc.

As far as an English translation of the Bible, the 1611 King James Version is one of the best known, but it was *not* the first **English translation, nor is it what it has been commonly presented to be** far from it! The *comprehension* problems for KJV users are not going to go away. In other words, the KJV translation, with its archaic wording, is incomprehensible, frustrating, misleading, has bred ignorance of God's word and is a primary reason why so many professing Christians have never even made it through the New Testament despite, in some cases, decades of church attendance.

Some examples of these *archaic* expressions are vain janglings (1 Tim. 1:6), superfluity of naughtiness (James 1:21), and abusers of themselves with mankind (1 Cor. 6:9), etc. Despite the many problems with the KJV, some people continue to obstinately present the KJV as *God's one and only Bible, the perfect translation, the only inspired word of God* and the like, thereby setting it on a pedestal far above all other translations, regardless of the strange wording.

Again, the most glaring problem with the KJV is the weird wording. The terms are so unusual in today s world that many will never see those words again. In contrast to the hundreds of such bewildering KJV terms, the KJV Onlyite's outlandish propaganda is that even a 12 year old child can understand it! That is one of the biggest *untruths* about the KJV in our day. Reality is, even decades-long KJV preachers, do not know the meaning of those words, and they consult the modern reputable translations for their meanings, often sneak-reading these other easier translations. They need a translation of the KJV just to understand it. The situation is bad enough, but far worse for new converts struggling to learn God's truths about salvation and the Christian life.

The comprehension factor alone is more than enough to set the KJV aside in favor of the modern reputable translations, but there are other problems as well. The *god* represented by the KJV repents of evil doing from Ex. 32:12-14 to Amos 7:3 to Jonah 3:10 for hundreds of years. If the KJV were Holy Spirit inspired or perfect, as claimed, such inaccuracy, blasphemous really, would not be in it. God is perfect and holy and has never needed to *repent*, because he can never commit any evil to *repent* of.

The aforementioned examples are death blows to KJV Onlyism, but to cite three more serious problems, the King James translation further: (1) teaches that **Noah was "saved by water"** (1 Pet. 3:20), that is, the flood waters rather than the ark itself (which has been exploited by the baptism-is-necessary-for-salvation people); (2) misrepresents the Lord Jesus as being "slew" *before* getting nailed to the cross (Acts 5:30; 10:39). Not only does the KJV cite the term "slew" to mean *kill* as in David "slew" Goliath (1 Sam. 17:50-51; etc.), but also, in the book of Acts, "slew" is used to communicate *kill*, as happened to the Martyr Stephen (Acts 22:20); (3) and, finally, **the Holy Spirit is presented as an inanimate thing by the pronoun** "itself" instead of the more appropriate and accurate himself to reflect personhood (Romans 8:16; 8:26, KJV). These errors have helped the Jehovah's Witness to spread their errant dogma that the Holy Spirit is a mere *force* likened unto a radar beam.

The bold, aggressive and *misinformed* KJV Onlyites also **insist others cite Bible verses and preach solely from the KJV**. Beyond that, they will emotionally *attack* the sincerest and most God fearing Christians, who reject the KJV. **If you are a KJV Onlyite, what are you defending your pride and an archaic error-ridden translation which YOU cannot even understand and yet are trying to force on everyone else?** How could the usage of the KJV correctly become the basis of your *Christian fellowship?* Has the KJV become an *idol* and stumbling-block to you?

Folks, do not allow *pressure* from the KJV camp to hinder your comprehension of God's word anymore. **Be assured, the Word of God existed before 1611. Read a modern reputable translations and do not allow the KJV Onlyites to belittle you for wanting to know what scripture is saying or teaching from a better, easier-to-understand translation than theirs.** (Save this teaching and pass it on to others.) **Evangelical Outreach, Box 265, Washington, PA 15301 * EOMIN.org**