

**NURSERY MINISTRY WORKERS FOR THIS WEEK**

10:50 a.m. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Volunteer Needed!  
 Cradle Roll 2: Volunteer Needed!  
 6:30 p.m. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Volunteer Needed!  
 Cradle Roll 2: Volunteer Needed!  
 Wed. Evening Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Shirley White  
 Cradle Roll 2: Volunteer Needed!

**AND THE PEOPLE CAME...**

*Week of June 16, 2019*

Sunday School ----- 13  
 Sunday Morning Service ----- 28  
 Sunday Evening Service ----- 20  
 Wed. Evening Service, 06/19/19 ----- 7

**AND THE PEOPLE GAVE...**

*- Week of June 16, 2019 -*

**Undesignated** Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 196.60  
 Auditorium Air Conditioning Repair Fund ----- \$ 26.00  
**Total Received for Week of 06/16/19:** \$ 222.60

*- Week of June 9, 2019 -*

**Undesignated** Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 633.10  
 Auditorium Air Conditioning Repair Fund ----- \$ 68.97  
**Total Received for Week of 06/09/19:** \$ 702.07

*- Week of June 2, 2019 -*

**Undesignated** Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 1,130.16  
 Auditorium Air Conditioning Repair Fund ----- \$ 68.00  
**Total Received for Week of 06/02/19:** \$ 1,198.16

*- Week of May 26, 2019 -*

**Undesignated** Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 915.40  
 Love Offering, Dr. Phil Stringer ----- \$ 5.00  
 Auditorium Air Conditioning Repair Fund ----- \$ 106.00  
**Total Received for Week of 05/26/19:** \$ 1,026.40

*- Week of May 19, 2019 -*

**Undesignated** Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 229.00  
 Auditorium Air Conditioning Repair Fund ----- \$ 55.00  
**Total Received for Week of 05/19/19:** \$ 284.00

**Average amount of Undesignated Offerings needed to operate the church EACH WEEK, as a minimum = \$ 1,400.00**

**WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED**

1. *Admit that you are a sinner.*
2. *Admit that God says all sins must be paid for.*
3. *Accept the fact that Christ took upon Himself the suffering necessary to pay for all your sins.*
4. *You must change your mind about sin and sinning (God calls this repentance).*
5. *By an act of your will, accept by faith the Lord Jesus Christ, who can save you from the penalty of sin. Then, tell God about this in a simple prayer. Believe that God keeps His promise to save you, and thank Him for His salvation.*



**Please Remember To Be Faithful To Give!**

As with everything else, the costs of keeping a church going never go down - they always go *up*. Bills wait for no one, and churches are no exception to this. An extra, sacrificial gift today by everyone present would go a long way...

We encourage all of our membership to practice obedience to God by being faithful every payday to give back to Him His tithe (10%). *If every family in our church would practice this one simple discipline, we would never have weeks where we have to put off paying some bills until the following week!*

Everything is expensive, especially for a small church like ours, but ours is a BIG God, and He LOVES to bless His children when they are obedient to Him!

If you are already a tither, we thank you, and encourage you to also give offerings as well. If you're currently not tithing, won't you please start *today* - OK? Thank you.

**Church Directory**

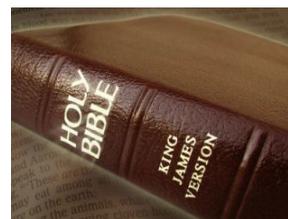
Todd W. White ----- Pastor  
 Mickie Shatwell ----- Pianist  
 Lois Mae Floyd ----- Pianist/ Organist  
**Volunteer Needed!** ----- Greeter  
 Larry Byars ----- S.S. Teacher  
 Larry & Mary Byars, Susan Strain ----- Outreach  
 Bertha Segebarr ----- Custodian  
 Flowers ----- Shirley White



**AUDITORIUM AIR CONDITIONER REPAIR FUND**

Total Repair Cost, unit repaired 05/17/19 ----- \$ 4,800.00  
 Amount received thusfar ----- \$ 363.97  
**TOTAL AMOUNT STILL NEEDED TO PAY OFF: \$4,462.03**  
*Thank You For Your Generous Help With This Need!*

REMINDER



*One Book Stands Alone*

by Dr. Douglas D. Stauffer  
*(continued from last week)*

**The Deity Of Christ Denied In The Modern Versions**

*“For if the true New Testament text came from God, whence came the erroneous variant readings ultimately save from the evil one; and how could the true text have been preserved save through the providence of God working through His Church?”*

*- Edward F. Hills*

For decades now, modern versions have been hitting the market at the rate of several per year. As a result, we now have hundreds of different versions on the market. **How did it all begin?** To answer this question, we must revisit the early formative years of the modern debate concerning updating the Word of God.

The first modern version to appear on the market was the **English Revised Version (ERV)** of 1881. It was supposed to be a revision of the KJB but became a new translation in and of itself. The **American Standard Version (ASV)** was first published in 1901 in America as a revision of the 1881 English Revised Version.

The ERV and the ASV are the great granddaddies of all the modern translations. They initiated the changes that are so common today. *These versions also included study footnotes for the reader.* Examining the footnotes found in these early versions, one can quickly ascertain the thoughts and intentions of the earliest revisers. Although its copyright page claims the ASV to be a revision of the King James Bible, it is not.

The **claimed** purpose of this older translation, as well as the **stated** purpose of today's translations, is simply to modernize the language and render these versions easier to read and understand. **If the intention of the revisers was merely to modernize the language of the King James Bible, why then do these modern versions all attack the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ?**

**JESUS - WITHOUT SIN**

The NIV stoops so low as to attack the sinlessness of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Most Bible students are aware that the Lord became angry when he saw the hypocrisy of His fellow Jewish brethren. The Lord's anger is illustrated in the following passage where the hypocritical Pharisees are watching to see if He will heal on the Sabbath day.

(KJV) Mark 3:5 - "And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it out: and his hand was restored whole as the other."

In this case the New International Version agrees with the King James Bible. Both verify that the Lord got angry.

(NIV) Mark 3:5 - "He looked around at them in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts, said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand.' He stretched it out, and his hand was completely restored."

Although a man's anger is frequently sinful, it would be blasphemous to claim that the Lord sinned when he became angry. The King James Bible protects the sinlessness of our Lord by explaining that one can be angry with His brethren without sinning as long as there is a cause (or reason) for this anger. Anger, however, cannot be justified without a cause or reason.

(KJV) Matthew 5:22 - "But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall

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be in danger of hell fire.”

No true child of God would ever claim that the anger of the Lord was unjustified. He certainly had cause. However, the NIV removes that important phrase (“without a cause”) and makes a blanket condemnation of anyone who becomes angry for any reason. According to the NIV, anyone that becomes angry with his brother is a sinner, including our Lord.

(NIV) Matthew 5:22 - “But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to his brother, ‘Raca,’ is answerable to the Sanhedrin. But anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of the fire of hell.”

***This verse in the NIV makes the Lord Jesus Christ a sinner.*** It says “anyone who is angry!” The Lord Himself got angry! Verses such as these infuriate true Bible believers. Was there not a cause (I Samuel 17:29)? David knew there was a cause when Goliath was reproaching Israel and His God. Bible believers know there is a cause when man attacks God’s word and work. “Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath” (Ephesians 4:26).

## ***GOD - LAID DOWN HIS LIFE***

First John contains another passage that undeniably proves the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. In this text, the pronoun “he” refers to the antecedent “God.”

(KJV) I John 3:16 - “Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.”

Since the KJB indisputably proves the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, one can well imagine Satan’s opposition. Read the NIV and sense the hostility against the truth. Unlike the KJB, this verse in the modern versions cannot be used to prove the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ.

(NIV) I John 3:16 - “This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.”

Yes, Jesus Christ laid down His life, but the purpose of the passage is lost in the modern versions. We are to see that it was God that died for our sins in the form of human flesh.

## ***JESUS - THE MORNING STAR***

Now that the modern versions’ attack on the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ has been clearly identified, we turn our attention toward the source of this attack. Satan is identified as Lucifer only one time in the word of God. Before we look at the passage in the book of Isaiah, which identifies Lucifer, reveals his past, and foretells his future, we must first establish who Lucifer is not. For this reason, we must take note of the identity of the morning star.

(KJB) Revelation 22:16 - “I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.”

The Bible and the modern versions both state that Jesus is the

bright and morning star. Now, having established the identity of the morning star, our attention is directed to Isaiah Chapter 14—the only place in the Bible that mentions Lucifer by name. He is the son of the morning that was created perfect until pride destroyed him. Notice the five times that he uses the personal pronoun “I.”

(KJV) Isaiah 14:12 - “How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.”

Satan, Lucifer, the Devil, that crooked serpent — all the same. Praise God, one day Lucifer will be brought down to hell. The KJB proclaims this truth in this singular biography and identification of Lucifer. However, this is not the case in the blasphemous NIV. Instead of being brought low, the NIV allows Lucifer to become the imposter he desires so much to be (II Thessalonians 2:4).

Instead of revealing Satan to be the archenemy of God and man, the finger is pointed in the Saviour’s direction as though He is the imposter. Remember who the Book of the Revelation identified as the morning star...now, look at the One to whom the NIV blasphemously points its finger — Jesus Christ!

(NIV) Isaiah 14:12 - “How you have fallen from heaven, O morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, ‘I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.’ But you are brought down to the grave, to the depths of the pit.”

***The NIV fails to reveal Lucifer, but instead attributes the history and future of Lucifer to the morning star.*** According to Revelation 22:16, the morning star is the Lord Jesus Christ — not Lucifer! Thus, the NIV indicates that the Lord, rather than Satan, was actually the One that fell. This passage in the KJB is the only place Lucifer shows up by name. He remains hidden in the NIV.

Displacing the Lord has always been the goal of Satan. All of this has been done in preparation for the day when the antichrist will outwardly claim that he is God. The Bible foretells this future event: “***so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God***” (II Thessalonians 2:4). The NIV makes that deception all the more possible. The antichrist will claim that the Lord Jesus Christ was the false Messiah and that he is the true one. Can you imagine how much easier the deception will be when he picks up one of these modern versions to “prove” his point?

In his book which attacks the King James Bible, the author James White answers these legitimate concerns with the following response. “*The person under discussion in Isaiah 14 is obviously not the Lord Jesus Christ, and how anyone could*

*confuse the person who is obviously under the wrath of God in that passage (note verse 15) with the Lord Jesus is hard to imagine.*” My concerns for misunderstanding are not self-motivated. I know to whom the passage refers because my King James Bible tells me it is Lucifer.

However, the lost person of the future may only have exposure to the modern versions. The Bible says Satan will come “***with all deceivableness of unrighteousness...***” (II Thessalonians 2:10). This passage may be one of the key tools used by him to deceive many people (Mark 13:5-6). The Bible says many will come in the name of Christ (imposters) (Luke 21:8), claiming that He never came in the flesh (II John 7). We can expect that they will point to the Lord Jesus Christ (the Morning Star) as the true deceiver (Matthew 27:63). The Bible foretells that deception will increase dramatically in the last days (II Timothy 3:13). For someone, such as James White, to defend these changes while understanding their implications is complete biblical infidelity!

For instance, consider the implications during the Tribulation of the NIV’s saying that Christians are marked. (See Ephesians 1:13 discussion in chapter four.) The NIV Christians are marked. The future consequences of such an error are more bleak than can be conveyed within the pages of this book (Revelation 13:16). After the Rapture, when the modern versions finally displace the King James Bible, will those left behind be convinced by these modern perversions that “God’s people” truly do **take** the mark...then why should they resist it? The battle for the Bible pits the Bible believer against the “father of lies” (John 8:44). Whose side do you find yourself on?

## ***JESUS - IN THE OLD TESTAMENT***

Many of the changes revealed so far have shown a direct attack on the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. One book stands alone in painting clear pictures of Christ’s deity in the Old Testament. One of the author’s favorite Old Testament pictures of our Saviour occurs in the story of Abraham and Isaac. When Isaac asks about the lamb sacrifice, Abraham reveals the future sacrifice of the Lamb of God. The Bible does not simply say God will provide a lamb. It implies that He will provide Himself!

(KJV) Genesis 22:8 - “And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.”

The Bible says that God will provide himself a lamb. Recall that a ram was caught in the thicket (Genesis 22:13). God provided a ram at that time. This seemingly insignificant detail actually adds further significance to Abraham’s comment concerning the future coming of a Lamb (John 1:29). This poignant picture, along with many others, is destroyed by the modern versions.

(NIV) Genesis 22:8 - “Abraham answered, ‘God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son.’ And the two of them went on together.”

Yes, God will provide a lamb, but the greater truth is revealed when one realizes that Abraham was prophesying of the day

when the Lord would provide Himself as the sacrifice for our sins! What picture does your version convey?

## ***JESUS - THE JUDGE***

The Lord Jesus Christ is not only the Creator of the universe, but will also be the Judge of the same. However, only God can judge on the last day. Thus, the following passage further proves the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. Christians will stand at His judgment seat.

(KJV) Romans 14:10 - “But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.”

All Christians will stand before the judgment seat of Christ. Each of us will have his work judged to determine whether or not he will receive an eternal reward. Clearly, the One who died for us — the Lord Jesus Christ — will be our Judge. Not so clear in the NIV, which fails to refer to this as the judgment seat of Christ.

(NIV) Romans 14:10 - “You, then, why do you judge your brother? Or why do you look down on your brother? For we will all stand before God’s judgment seat.”

Not only is the deity diminished, but the NIV contradicts the truth. God the Father has assigned all judgment to the Son. The NIV passage contradicts this truth as presented in the NIV and the KJB in John 5:22. “For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son.”

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“BRING HITHER THE **CATTED FALF!**”