

Yahweh, the Almighty God of Israel, is with us
"Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet,
and shew my people their transgression,
and the house of Jacob their sins." Isaiah 58:1

Unclassified Topics

A Final Word of Caution to Preachers!

I speak with a word of caution which comes from the pen of **Jack A Moorman** in his booklet **Conies, Brass & Easter (B.F.T.#1737)** published by the Bible for Today 900 Park Ave, Collingswood, N.J. 08108 USA. He writes: "The practice of publicly '**correcting**' the Standard English Bible, the **Authorized Version**, is probably the quickest way to undermine faith. When conservative pastors and teachers tell their people:

- **A better rendering would be...**
- **A more accurate translation is...**
- **This is an unfortunate translation...**
- **The original would be better expressed as...**

They are starting a chain reaction of unbelief more damaging than that caused by attacks of modernism. They are in effect saying:

- **God has not preserved His Word.**
- **The Standard Bible is sullied with error.**

The focus of authority has shifted from the Scriptures themselves to the teacher. Reverent exposition of the text and translation is one thing, **correction is quite another!**

But are there not justifiable reasons for "**occasional**" correction of the **KJV**?

A survey of modern preaching, commentaries, Study Bibles, helps etc., shows that there is nothing "**occasional**" about it! Once the practice is begun, resistance to further alteration weakens, and there is little which is not affected. Sitting under such a ministry, God's people soon find their Bibles to be "**in tatters.**"

When a Version has become a Standard for nearly **400 years**, has been the **measuring rod** against which all others are judged, has resulted in **many millions receiving Christ as Saviour**, has been the impetus in **sending missionaries to the ends of the earth**, and has spawned a world of **supplimental literature** - then we are dealing with the **work of God!** To say the least, such a Bible should be treated with the **greatest respect!**

If the experience of a considerable number of fundamental/evangelical leaders is anything to go by: to publicly go on record in criticizing the **Authorized Version**, doesn't seem to have a happy aftermath. There is often a loss of authority in their ministry. The **pulpit power** is not what it once was. They seem to find themselves on **unstable** and **vulnerable** ground. And more than a few have **crashed completely** and are no longer in the ministry!"

Now go to it and preach the **Real WORD of God**

AMEN!

In the Son's Name - For the Father's glory.

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