The

King James/King James Paraphrase Parallel Bible

For all those who know in their heart that the King James Version is the best translation ever compiled, but sometimes have difficulty understanding sixteenth/seventeenth century English.

Dedicated to my Lord Jesus Christ and my wonderful wife and best friend, Susie, without whose support this work could not have been accomplished.

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For those who do not already have an established daily Bible study routine, I would recommend reading {01} Genesis (to get some historical background) followed by {42} Luke. Luke gives Jesus' ministry in chronological order, explains some of the Jewish customs, and shows Jesus as the Savior for all who will accept Him as their Lord. For those with a Jewish background, I would recommend reading {40} Matthew before reading Luke, since Matthew shows Jesus as fulfilling Bible prophecy for the Jews' long awaited Messiah.

Introduction to KJP

This **KJP** {King James Paraphrase} version is intended to be merely a small update in the tradition of the updates compiled between 1611 A.D. and 1769 A.D.. Only changes which will make the King James Version more readable to today's society will be made. There is no attempt being made here to "correct" the so-called "errors" of the King James Bible. It is my opinion that the King James Version of the Bible is the most accurate translation ever compiled. Nor would I pretend to compare my work with the work of those noble scholars who utilized the best texts of Hebrew, Greek and multiple other languages available in their days. Having examined arguments from numerous sources I have come to the following conclusions: First, the vast majority of "modern" translations are based on corrupted Hebrew and Greek texts which have in fact been mutilated by ungodly men. Second, the Authorized King James Version itself while it is primarily based on the Hebrew Ben Chavyim Masoritic Text and the Greek Received texts, does in fact depart from those texts for reasons and/or manuscripts which are unknown to us today. **Third**, the King James Version we use today has itself been updated a number of times between 1611 A.D. and 1769 A.D and since. The first of those updates were made by individuals who actually worked on the original 1611 A.D. text. In none of those updates was there a reason or an attempt to "correct" the original, but merely to make the text more readable mostly by updating spelling of words. Fourth, modern translations frequently leave out words, merely to shorten the text for cheaper Luke 9:54-56 is a good example, where most modern publication costs. translations leave out Jesus' answer to His disciples. In Acts 8:37 most modern translations intentionally leave out Philip's answer to the eunuch altogether. In some cases such as John 7:8-10 modern translations leave out the word "yet" when Jesus said He was not going "yet" up to the feast of the Passover – modern translations leave out the word "yet" making Jesus a liar – saying He's not going up to the feast. **Countless other changes are** equally disturbing. My goal here, is merely to make the Word of God easier for the current generation to read. Nor is there any attempt to use "correct" English grammar at the expense of accuracy in translation. I am placing the King James 1769 Version in parallel with this King James Paraphrase so that all changes can be readily seen by everyone and keeping it in parallel for reference purposes. For more information see Appendix I: Examples of Missing Words and Verses of Scripture in Modern Translations and my article Holv Bible vs New Age Bibles at www.TheWordNotes.com

Note on word changes: In order to make the text more readable to this present generation, some words have been replaced. In some cases the order of words has been changed. While it is true that any such changes may not grasp the full meaning of the original – this fact is equally true for all translations.

Page numbering used here includes a **decimal numbering system** with **the book number to the left** of the decimal and **page numbers and chapters within the book to the right** of the decimal. Books are numbered by their order in the King James Version.

Where the word **LORD** or **GOD** is in all caps it is the Name of the Lord {Jehovah, Yahweh}. I have retained that convention from the Authorized King James Version and inserted **{Jehovah}** so that there is no question that it is the **Name** of the Lord. Nouns and pronouns referring to God are capitalized. Words of God in the Old Testament and words of God the Father or God the Spirit in the New Testament as well as words of angels delivering God's word to individuals are in blue. There is often some question when prophecy is being given whether the words are God's words, or words of the prophet. This is as it should be since the prophet speaks God's words. Where there is a question, I have tried to err on the side of the words being from God Himself.

Explanation of dates given: {*0000A.H./C-4042B.C.} - A.H. (Anno Hominis - year of man - counted from the creation of Adam and Eve) /C-B.C. dates based on Dr. Cooper's work: Messiah: His First Coming Scheduled {1939 A.D.} For more information on these dates see: Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical <u>History</u>. Explanations for departures from Archbishop Ussher's 1650 A.D. chronology are noted and explained in Appendix G:. The '*' asterisk in the text shows where the date is referenced. Dates such as $\{1/14/2513 A.H.\}$ [Exodus 12:41] are based on the Biblical calendar as given in Exodus 12:2. Month designations [Nisan 14, 2513 A.H.] use the modern Jewish calendar names. Both 1/14/2513 A.H. And Nisan 14, 2513 A.H. are merely a modern translation of the dates actually given in scripture. See Appendix L: The Modern Jewish Calendar and Holy Days. See also, The Jewish Calendar at www.TheWordNotes.com for a more detailed understanding of the Jewish calendar.

The King James Version used in parallel here is the 1769 A.D. version as provided on <u>http://www.e-sword.net</u>. The following note comes from <u>http://www.crossway.org</u> concerning the red-letter edition: "The first red-letter New Testament was published in 1899, and the first redletter Bible followed two years later (in 1901)."

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Statement of Belief

- It is my personal conviction that
 - (1) Every single word and letter of scripture is important.
 - (2) That the scriptures say what they mean, and mean what they say.
 - (3) The scriptures are historically, scientifically, and mathematically accurate in every detail. {Note: I am a physics, mathematics, and computer instructor and I take this very seriously. <u>The Equidistant Letter Sequences</u> [commonly referred to as 'Hebrew Code'] as described in notes by myself and others are genuine and are not a human fabrication. To say otherwise is a display of mathematical ignorance and a rejection of the Creator and Author Himself.}
 - (4) God sent His only Son, Jesus Christ, Who was born of a virgin, Who lived and died as fully God and fully man. Who arose from the dead and is seated at the right hand of our heavenly Father. He has purchased salvation for all who would accept Him as their personal Lord and Savior. And He's coming back again to first call His children home, then to return with them to reign upon this present earth for 1000 years and on the new heavens and new earth for all eternity.
 - (5) Those who pridefully reject God's free gift of salvation through His only Son, Jesus Christ, will spend all eternity in hell as the scriptures plainly teach.
- (6) Anyone who does not hold to these minimal convictions is disqualified from participating in any way in the translation of or paraphrase of scriptures.