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Preface

One of the major tribulations faced by humanity today, despite the onslaught of secular and destructive atheistic humanism and the rise of postmodernism is the slavish allegiance to blind belief and an obscurantist adherence to the *establishment* in whatever form it metamorphoses, be it on the religious or political level. For centuries an all-powerful Roman Church condemned millions to genocide, torture and enslavement based largely on belief.

In some senses, the inspiration for these atrocities was drawn directly from the context of the Old and New Testament. Whilst the ‘Holy Bible’ has indeed inspired thousands into engaging in morally uprighteous work, it also stands as a book accepted as “divine”, by many in ignorance. How many good and decent Christians have delved into the darker psyche’ of the Holy Writ?

With the rise of Christian fundamentalism, with its particular emphasis on inherent literalism, it becomes all the more important now, at this juncture in history to deconstruct and discern fact from some fictitious work contained in the Bible which evolved in a specific era and time epoch and was largely characterized by the influential mechanisms of the idiosyncrasies typified in ancient history. Indeed as former nun **Karen Armstrong** has argued; the late twentieth century has witnessed the

emergence in every religious tradition of a strain of threatening religious fundamentalism, which amplifies and seeks to justify the vicious elements of scripture.

Hark to the bleatings of the moral majority brigade of the fanatical Pat Robertson and the rampant fanaticism of the Jerry Falwells and the Franklin Grahams who aggressively proselytize from their ivory towers that every word, letter and apostrophe in the ‘Holy of Holies’ is the unaltered “word of God”.

At the outset, the writer of this preface is not an enemy of the Bible, nor seeks to solicit Christians in discarding a book which still remains a living inspiration for millions. In fact the contents of this book may be appallingly shocking and repulsive to many at first glance. But the quotations are culled directly from the King James Version (1611) as a primary source; hence the reader cannot accuse the compiler of misleading the public. Where extracts and epigrammatic verses are reproduced, the reader is invited ideally to cross-reference them with the entire chapter from the Bible lest allegations of “quoting out of context” are leveled at the author.

Finally, it is expected that some form of offense may be generated by the foregoing material, but that is personally not the aim of the writer of this preface. One of the key challenges of the twenty first century is to maintain a constant re-interpretation of one’s faith regardless of

one’s religious inclination. Primarily, this would then also involve some form of introspection surrounding received tradition in the form of scripture and being able to

maintain some sanity and sound judgment in distinguishing the wheat from the chaff! Kind regards,

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preamble

Over many years of discussions with ordinary Christians we have established that there is a vast ignorance amongst

them regarding the contents of their respective Bibles. Majority of them have not even read their Bible completely even once in their lives, so they are totally uninformed of the verses that are quoted in this book from their Bibles. Just as unaware are the Jehovah Witness missionaries that go knocking on people's doors, because they cannot answer simple questions. We have even come across a few priests and pastors who are in the same category. It will stun most of them when they realize that these verses are from their own Bibles.

Our intention is not to hurt anyone's religious beliefs. It is merely to quote verbatim from the KJV Bible some of those verses most of them are oblivious of. Anyone is welcome to check the references and to contact Mr. Jim Walker if there are any discrepancies.

We have obtained written permission from Mr. Jim Walker on the 21st March 2008 to publish "The Dark Bible". Below is Mr. Walker's account of why he has compiled it.

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The Dark Bible: Compiled by Jim Walker
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"I made the first Dark Bible in the early 1990s as a Macintosh Hypercard stack and used the alias "Zardoz" for the author name. I had originally feared using my own name due to veiled threats I had received from religious zealots, some of my fears, which no doubt, came from my own paranoia.

The inspiration of the Dark Bible first stemmed from a combination of Ben Akerley's "The X-Rated Bible" and Steve Allen's, "Steve Allen on the Bible, Religion and Morality", for the purpose of finding relevant passages that dealt with the wrath, scatological, and dubious moral teachings of God in the Bible. **The Bible has served as one of the instruments that has steered me away from this awful religion. Hopefully, the Dark Bible will do the same for others.**

I first distributed the Dark Bible from my now ancient Miami based Freethinkers BBS. (In the old days, before the internet, people used their modems to dial up to other computers in their homes. They called these Bulletin Board Services). Computer users could dialup and download the entire Dark Bible stack, or an ASCII text version of it, directly to their computer.

Various versions of the Dark Bible stack continued until the late 90s where I put it on GENIE's and AOL's server and other BBS systems. An anonymous freethinker picked up on the idea and converted the entire Dark Bible into an html based web site and put it on the World Wide Web for the world to see. *Hooray!* I do not know who did this, but I applaud the individual(s) who put the effort into constructing the web pages. The Dark Bible ended up on various web sites, including the Secular Web for a

short while. Unfortunately, due to internet web site attrition, fear of copyright infringement, or who-knows-what, the Dark Bible faded away. For this reason I have resurrected the Dark Bible and put in on my own web site. I have used much of the layout from the first Dark Bible web pages, with modifications

to text size, links, updates to the text and added a few illustrations.

If anyone still uses the Dark Bible on their web site or wishes to use it, please cite where it came from, and update your html pages to the latest version (see the [Contents](#) page to find the latest date and version number)"

Despite the fact that the Bible represents the best -selling book of all time and serves as the sacred script for the Judeo-Christian faiths, it also stands as a book, by the majority, believed from ignorance. Strangely, in the Middle Ages the Catholic Church forbade the reading of the Bible by its congregation for fear that the people would misinterpret the texts. Many priests knew of the problematic and dark verses in the Bible. Too much questioning could result in a loss of faith, or so they thought. As a result, only the Church fathers had the right to make interpretations for its people. This gave the early Church power over its people and, at the same time, prevented its populace from ever becoming educated.

One would think that with today's practice of freedom of religion, education, free press and the availability of the Bible to anyone, that the Bible and its history would result in common knowledge. Nothing could stand further from the truth. Most Church fathers today concentrate only on the "good" phrases of the Bible. This of course represents an admirable approach as it serves to teach, stabilize and give

meaning and morals to people in a society. However, Christians and Jews rarely hear about the dark side of the Scriptures from their religious leaders. Although most Christians own a Bible, few of them spend the time to

actually read and understand what it actually represents. Many Christians find it shocking, even blasphemous for someone to point out that the Bible contains, not only errors, but atrocities that no Christian in good conscious would ever think of acting out. For example, how many Christians and Jews today would feel happy to bash a child's head against

the rocks? Any secular question of this nature, of course, would result in revulsion; yet just such phrases occur in the Bible as well obscenities, filth and many horrendous phrases.

It will, perhaps, come from "good" Christians who will object most strongly to what I have put in and left out from the Dark Bible. However you may judge it, I have edited the Dark Bible in this way for several reasons:

Firstly, I wanted to share with people that the Bible does not represent only "high morality" or a means to better one's life; that most of the Bible, in fact, concerns itself with conquest, war, killings, and curses, many times coming from directly from Yahweh (God). By today's standards, many of these Biblical stories describe despicable atrocities.

Secondly, there exists a minority of faithful fundamentalists who take the Bible literally and act out or condone the atrocities in the Bible. **People, groups and governments, for centuries, have instigated wars, pogroms, racism, hatred, anti-Semitism, terrorism, and the inferiority of women based on their religious beliefs.** I wanted to point out some of the Biblical verses that people of faith have used as justification for their atrocities and also to help people become aware, and beware of the dangers that can result from **belief** in the Bible.

Thirdly, to make this knowledge easily available, I edited out the admirable phrases of the Bible in order to get to the point. Most people know about these "good" verses, and I should not have to point them out (there exists a plethora of books about the admirable works). I also left out most of the dark phrases of the Bible for if I had included them all, it would literally involve more information, along with the comments, than the Bible itself. I tried to keep this relatively compact. As a result, the Dark Bible represents a small sampling. **I encourage the reader to investigate the history of the Bible and why it contains the stories that it does.**

From the sampling of the dark passages of the Bible presented in this Dark version, it should become self evident

that if one wishes to defend the concept of a "good" and "loving" God, the Bible should serve as the last¹ source to use for supporting evidence.

Moreover, if we wish to know ourselves, it may well serve us to learn the limitations of our language system. The written form has existed for only six thousand years; only a brief instant of time relative to our millions of years of evolution. The Bible represents the Bronze Age beliefs of men at the birth of writing. As in most evolutionary trends, mistakes get made, sometimes fatally. Indeed, our species has become even more violent in relation to strengths of faith in written Scripture. Unfortunately faith² relies on hope and ignorance. Only education and critical thinking can allow us the means to correct our mistakes.

With technology advancing every year, our weapons have the capability to destroy whole cities, countries, if not every person on the earth. If people continue to base their actions on ancient Biblical reasoning, any small minority who gains access to the destructive technology may very well carry out holocaust-like proportions on innocent men, women and children. It has happened before and it can easily happen again. Today we still see the destructive acts carried out around the world which

¹ Note by the compilers: [1]. To really understand the true concept of the Creator as a loving Being, kindly read the ONLY DIVINE REVELATION IN EXISTENCE, which is the **Arabic Glorious Qur'aan**. Translations are available in most languages including English. [2] A recommended book to read to understand how the Bible was compiled is -"**Origin of the Bible from Vatican Sources**" -by **S. Ibrahim** who has studied comparative religion for five decades. It is available from Rosmead Supermarket in Cape Town. Tel: 021-6718191 / 021-6719022. **Price R30**. Or download a **free copy** from the I.P.C.I website: **www.ahmed-deedat-co.za**

² Note by compilers: **"A person can be very well qualified academically in most fields of research, but if Christianity captures and enslaves one's mind, then one loses direction of the path to truth. That is what BLIND FAITH does to one no matter how well educated one is!"** It is our contention that if any person who is intelligent, irrespective if he/she is well educated or not, reads the Bible impartially, they will definitely conclude on the basis of reason and logic that the Bible is a man made story book. It contains absurdities, illogical and unreasonable statements that can never emanate from a Creator who has created such a perfect orderly universe; and for Him to send a message that is so corrupted and nonsensical that a child of ten will refuse to believe it to be a word of God.

originate from deep cultural roots based on religious Scripture. Although belief structures have given rise to ethnic culture, it can also produce life threatening situations to our existence on earth. Understanding our belief-systems and to de-emphasize the sacredness of the Bible may well help to prevent our own destruction.

The Dark Bible uses the King James Version (1611) Bible as its main source because more Christians use this version than any other (although various alternate verses come from other Bible versions with a caption as to its source.). It will help to use this text along with the reading of each verse with the complete chapter from the Bible so as to gain a better understanding of its context, or, simply click on a verse and it will take you to an online Bible where you can peruse the entire context. Many of the comments come paraphrased from established scholarly published work”.

BEST Regards, Jim Walker. NoBeliefs.com

Babylon is fallen	David slaughters them
Decapitate them!	Gideon slaughters
God buries them alive	God kills the first borns!
God sends pestilence	God slaughters blacks

God's threat to kill	Godly head wounds
Godly mass murder	Kill all unbelievers
Kill man, women, infant	King David's holocaust
Moses' mass murder	Nail his head!
Raping and killing	Shed the blood
Slaughter the innocents	Slay old and young
Stone the women	The survivors
Utter destruction. 1 & 2	Washing feet in blood!

**Note: ALL BIBLE QOUTES HAVE REFERENCES TO
VERIFY ALL COMMENTS ARE BY MR. JIM WALKER!
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BABYLON IS FALLEN

"And, behold, here cometh a chariot of men, with a couple of horsemen. And he answered and said, Babylon is fallen, is fallen; and all the graven images of her gods he hath broken unto the ground." (Isaiah 21:9)

Comment- J.W.

Many soldiers have used Bible verses to justify horrific destruction against their enemy. Such beliefs can comfort the minds of men to do virtually any kind of atrocity against men, women, and children of the enemy. The Crusaders of the 12th century slaughtered or tortured anyone who stood in their way. The Bible's words gave them their justification.

Even today, our government, military and religious leaders judge wars as "moral" based on Biblical reasoning. Fighting men feel, not only comforted, but glorious in their actions against the destruction of fellow human beings. In the Gulf War, for example, an F-16 fighter/bomber had "Isaiah 21:9" written on its bombs.

David Slaughters Them

**"And he brought out the people that were in it, and cut them with saws, and with harrows of iron, and with axes..."
(1 Chronicles 20:3)**

Comment- J.W.

Chapters 17-19 (17-18-19) tells us that David killed 22,000 Syrians and that Abishai killed 18,000 Edomites. No one expresses shame at such slaughters.

Here in 20:3, we have David, counted as a great leader of the Israelites, slaughtering captives after the cessation of hostilities. From what high moral ground should we admire this action?

Decapitate Them!

"And Israel joined himself unto Baalpeor: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel. And the LORD said unto Moses, 'Take all the heads of the people and hang them up before the LORD against the sun, that the fierce

**anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.”
(Numbers 25:3-4)**

Comment- J.W.

Those who worshipped other gods must die, and even more horribly, their heads displayed publicly. Either God never said anything so cruel, or we truly live in a cursed universe, ruled by a maniac Supreme Being.

Millions of people, today, switch their religions. If God had any interest in this ongoing process, there appears no evidence of this.

Gideon Slaughters

**"And Gideon said, Therefore when the Lord hath delivered Zebah and Zalmunna into mine hand, then I will tear your flesh with the thorns of the wilderness and with briers"
(Judges 8:7)**

**"Now Zebah and Zalmunna were Karkor, and their hosts with them, about fifteen thousand men, all that were left of all the hosts of the children of the east: for there fell an hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword."
(Judges 8:10)**

Comment- J.W.

The Gideon Society places Bibles into motels and hotels across America. One would assume Gideon lived as a person of exemplary character and great worth to have a worldwide society named after him. Below describes some of Gideon's accomplishments:

- Gideon slaughtered thousands in battle by plotting with the "Lord" to use Treachery.
- Gideon murdered thousands more for worshipping "false Gods."
- Gideon tortured and killed still more for daring to taunt him.

- Gideon plundered the bodies of his victims (to fashion a jeweled priestly vestment).
- Gideon fathered an offspring who killed 69 of his stepbrothers.

Read the story of Gideon in Judges, chapters thru 6-9 (6-7-8-9). The tale of Gideon describes just one of the many horror stories in the Bible, a book that glorifies behavior abysmal to modern society. The clergy and leaders have hoodwinked millions of people about the stories in the Bible. Don't let others decide for yourself.

God Buries Them Alive

"And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and all the men that appertained unto Korah, and all their goods. They, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the congregation. And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up also. And there came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men that offered incense." (Numbers 16:32-35)

Comment- J.W.

Moses relays a sadistic threat that asks us to believe that God punishes members of families, including innocent infants. And again we have the Satanic fire coming from God burning his creations.

God Kills The Firstborns!

"And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle. And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry

in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead." (Exodus 12:29-30)

Comment- J.W.

If we believe every word in the Bible as coming from God, then it stands to reason that the violent actions from the God described in Exodus cannot give us a moral comparison to live our lives in a peaceful world.

If one wishes to believe that God possess love for His creations, then the killing of innocent children cannot possibly come from God, and therefore, these verses from the Bible must have come elsewhere. But note that if one takes the Bible's words as absolute truth, then not only did God smote the firstborn children, but *all* firstborn regardless of age. This means all firstborn teenagers, firstborn men & women, firstborn octogenarians, and even all firstborn cows and bulls. Regardless of how much love, charity, or goodness they may have imparted to the world, if they had the unfortunate luck to have first passed through their mother's vagina in the land of Egypt, according to the Bible, God killed them!

God Sends Pestilence

"Either three years' famine; or three months to be destroyed before thy foes, while that the sword of thine enemies overtaketh thee; or else three days the sword of the LORD, even the pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD destroying throughout all the coasts of Israel..."
(I Chronicles 21:12)

"So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men." (I
Chronicles 21:14)

Comment- J.W.

David made an offense against God in taking a census of the people, so God gave David a choice. Oddly enough, David

ignores God and never actually gets around to making a choice; so the Lord makes the decision for him and sends pestilence upon Israel.

It appears unclear as to why David committed a crime, but why shouldn't God have punished individual offenders instead of killing an army of innocent bystanders? Atrocities such as this appear outrageous enough when perpetrated by Attila the Hun, Hitler or Pol Pot, but when it comes from a, supposedly, loving God, it should make one wonder if this represents a Devil instead of a God.

God Slaughters Blacks

"And there came out against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an host of a thousand thousand, and three hundred chariots..." (II Chronicles 14:9)

So the LORD smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled. (II Chronicles 14:12)

Comment- J.W.

It appears that Black Christian Bible studies programs ignore these verses, for it says that the Lord God slaughtered over a million blacks.

The association of black with evil goes far back in Western Christian culture. The early Church fathers, Origen, Jerome, and Augustine of Hippo wrote about devils appearing as Ethiopians.

White racist groups (such as the Klu Klux Klan who think of themselves as opposite of black devils) see these Biblical verses as evidence to justify their beliefs. We still hear phrases such as "Prince of Darkness" or "Black magic" which link blackness with sin.

In the story of Ham and Japheth, the word "ham" has connotations of "hot" and "dark" in Semitic languages. To the ancient Israelites, as well as some modern Jews and Christians, the "children of Ham" had dark skin and lived in eastern Africa. Thus they see the "Curse of Ham" as a link with black skin and sexual license.

God's Threat To Kill

"And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt: And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that is behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts." (Exodus 11:4-5)

Comment- J.W.

After reading such verses, it would become apparent, even to a child, that this does not describe the actions of a loving Being. Anyone who reconciles the killing of innocent children with an intelligent and loving Creator can only come from great ignorance under the addiction of **blind faith**.

"Whenever we read the obscene stories, the voluptuous debaucheries, the cruel and tortuous executions, the unrelenting vindictiveness with which more than half the Bible is filled, it would be more consistent that we call it the word of a demon than the word of God. It is a history of wickedness that has served to corrupt and brutalize humankind."

--Thomas Paine

Godly Head Wounds

"But God shall wound the head of his enemies, and the hairy scalp of such a one as goeth on still in his trespasses. The Lord said, I will bring again from Bashan, I will bring my people again from the depths of the sea: That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies, and

the tongue of thy dogs in the same." (Psalms 68:21-23)

Comment- J.W.

If anyone believes these sadistic words come from God, then it might serve prudence to stay away from such people. For anyone who holds to such beliefs may very well do the same to others.

Godly Mass Murder

"And he smote the men of Bethshemesh, because they had looked into the ark of the LORD, even he smote of the people fifty thousand and threescore and ten men: and the people lamented, because the LORD had smitten many of the people with a great slaughter." (I Samuel 6:19)

Comment- J.W.

Here we have just one more instance of God performing mass murder, a sadistic killer far worse than Hitler, Attila the Hun or Pol Pot.

These verses should insult the intelligence of any person who thinks that God possesses a loving nature.

One should not dismiss the Old Testament's repeated demand for the vilest atrocities as something peculiar to the early Hebrews. Even today, our most atrocious wars, terrorism and hate crimes occur around the world based on ancient religious beliefs, many of them coming directly from verses in the Old and New Testament.

Kill All Unbelievers

"And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he hath spoken to turn you away from the LORD your God..." (Deuteronomy 13: 5)

"If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers;" (Deuteronomy 13: 6)

**"Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him: But thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people."
(Deuteronomy 13:8-9)**

**"Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly, and all that is therein, and the cattle thereof, with the edge of the sword."
(Deuteronomy 13:15)**

Comment- J.W.

These severe laws commanded the members of the Hebrew religion to murder even their own children if they did not worship Yahweh (God).

These Bible words can justify, to a fanatical fundamentalist believer, the killing of friends or family simply because they may fail to change their beliefs. Why anyone today would accept these words, much less allow them to exist in a sacred book goes against the nature of any tolerant and loving people.

Kill Man, Woman, Infant

"Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember that which Amalek did to Israel, how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt. Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not;

but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass." (I Samuel 15:2-3)

Comment- J.W.

No matter how one can justify possible crimes from adults, suckling infants have no means of acting out crimes. And what evil against God could the animals have possibly performed? Only an evil entity could kill innocent infants and animals, no matter what their parents and owners may have done.

King David's Holocaust

"And he brought forth the people that were therein, and put them under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under the axes of iron, and made them pass through the brickkiln: and thus did he unto all the cities of the children of Ammon. So David and all the people returned unto Jerusalem." (II Samuel 12:31)

Comment- J.W.

From the sacred scripts from the Bible we learn that the great King David carried out atrocities that rivaled the cruel acts from the holocaust of World War II. If we condemn the Nazi's for their atrocities, why should we not do the same for David's bloodthirsty actions?

Moses' Mass Murder

"Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among the congregation of the LORD. Now therefore kill every male

among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath known man by lying with him. But all the women children, that have not known a man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves." (Numbers 31:16-18)

Comment- J.W.

Moses commands the murder of approximately 100,000 young males and, roughly, 68,000 helpless women.

Consider women and children of your own family: No matter how sick they may lay, or how they may go against a religion, how would you feel if a man named Moses, claiming to speak for God, sent men into your house and hacked to pieces the women and male children? Also, how would you react if they spotted a female child, dragged her off with them to do as they please with her? Note that these innocent virgins served for their own sexual pleasures.

Midian, the land of the Midianites, did not reside in an area regarded as a natural enemy of Israel for centuries, and in fact lay hundreds of miles away from the Israelite encampment. Moses, himself, had lived in Midian as fugitive after committing his first murder. In short, Midian presented no threat to God's "Chosen People."

Nail His Head!

"Then Jael Heber's wife took a nail of the tent, and took an hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him, and smote the nail into his temples, and fastened it into the ground: for he was fast asleep and weary. So he died." (Judges 4:21)

Comment- J.W.

In verse 16 the Israelites surprise Sisera's army and that "there was not a man left," except Sisera who deserts his army and flees, a deed punishable by court martial today. Sisera then goes to the tent of Jael, the wife of Heber. Jael takes him in, hides him under a blanket, gives him milk to quench his thirst,

and promises to stand guard at the door while he sleeps. Then Jael kills Sisera!

We see no telling of the slightest shame, but rather, Jael proudly flaunts her kill. The author of this piece of Scripture makes it clear that the passage represents a deed, not only as grand and heroic but also consistent with the will of God (see Judges 4:23).

Raping And Killing

**"Every one that is found shall be thrust through; and every one that is joined unto them shall fall by the sword. Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished."
(Isaiah 13:15-16)**

Comment- J.W.

These verses foretold the deaths of the people of Babylon. Fortunately not everyone in Babylon (now modern Iraq) fell by the sword or had their children dashed to pieces or their wives raped (just another instance of errors in the Bible). How some people who believe in an infallible Bible can accept these verses as God inspired, or morally uplifting can only give evidence to the blinding nature of belief. For if we believe these words as God inspired, then the killing of children and the raping of wives must also come as an inspiration from the Supreme Being.

Shed The Blood

**"And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made the man."
(Genesis 9:5-6)**

Comment- J.W.

Some anti-abortionists have used these words to justify the killing of abortionists. As such, these words helped inspire Michael Griffin to kill Doctor David Gunn on March 10, 1993.

Consider that the Bible never directly addresses abortion, much the less the condemnation of it. On the contrary, God himself has condoned, not only miscarriages, but has personally called for the killing of suckling infants and the bashing of children against the rocks. (*See Numbers 5:26-27, 1 Samuel 15:2-3, and Psalms 137:9*)

Slaughter Of Innocents

"And we took all his cities at that time, and utterly destroyed the men, and the women, and the little ones, of every city, we left none to remain." (Deuteronomy 2:34)

"And we utterly destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon king of Hesbon, utterly destroying the men, women, and children, of every city. But all the cattle, and the spoil of the cities we took for a prey to ourselves." (Deuteronomy 3:6-7)

Comment- J.W.

Such words helped give justification to mediaeval Crusaders who slaughtered men, women and children along their way to Jerusalem and stole the spoils of the cities. Even today, many Christian military men use Scripture to justify their actions. If any soldier harbors doubt about killing his fellow humans, he need only consult a military chaplain or read the Bible to calm their worries. Even George Bush (the First), with Billy Graham beside him, proclaimed the Gulf War as "moral." George Bush (the Second) continued in his father's steps by killing thousands of Iraqi civilians in the Iraqi war. Such moral wars result in thousands of "utterly destroyed" innocent men, women and children.;

(For a few more examples [but not all] see also Deuteronomy 3:3, 7:2, 20:16-17, 25:19; Joshua 6:21, 8:26, 10-28-40; Numbers 31:17-18; 1 Samuel 15:3; 1 Isaiah 13:16; and Hosea 13:16)

Slay Old And Young

"And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and woman: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house." (Ezekiel 9:5-6)

Comment- J.W.

These words, commanded by God, orders the slaying of not only women and the old, but of little children. These accounts of cold-blooded massacres occurred simply because people refused to accept Yahweh. These phrases should give warning to anyone who knows a person who believes every word in the Bible.

For what sense of moral reasoning should we allow ourselves to admire such Biblical verses?

The Survivors

"Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and

**four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel."
(Revelation 7:3-4)**

"And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads." (Revelation 9:3-4)

**"And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty [and] four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads."
(Revelation 14:1)**

"...the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins." (Revelation 14:3-4)

Comment- J.W.

Here we have the great future destruction where billions of people will die. Only 144,000 virgin Jews with a protective mark on their heads will survive. (I suppose the 'Jews for Jesus' cult would serve as the leading candidates.)

How many believers realize that this means the death of everyone on earth but a few virgin Jews? And this includes the destruction of *all* Christians! (Of course the alleged Jesus, a virgin Jew, who claimed only a few would enter heaven would agree with this).

Note: Of course faithful Christians cannot accept the 144,000 figure so they must either become atheists, ignore these verses, reject Revelation as just dream nonsense, or try to revise its meaning to something they can accept. Some try to get creative by claiming that Rev. 7:-9, "...a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues....," means an unlimited number will enter

heaven. Not so. The "all" in this verse speaks about all the *tribes* of Israel (the Jews) scattered around the nations of the world. The verse comes right after listing the tribes in Rev. 7:1-8. And man doesn't name the number but rather the angel who speaks in John's dream. And John reports the number, *three times*, in chapters 7 and 14, as shown above. **Sorry Christians but all of you will have to suffer with all the**

atheists and unbelievers in God's hell. Welcome to the club!

Beware of a future "Armageddon" caused by religious people. Belief in self-fulfilling prophesies creates self-fulfilling acts. (*It has started already by President Mad George and his ilk- Compilers*)

Utter Destruction, 1

"And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword." (Joshua 6:21)

Comment- J.W.

These "God inspired" words give not a hint of mercy to innocent slaughtered women, children or the old.

After Moses and Aaron died, Joshua assumed command and the Israelites entered Jericho. Note that in the same siege, "all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, are consecrated unto the Lord: they shall come into the treasury of the Lord" (Joshua 6:19)

In the battle of Ai, the Bible tells that twelve thousand, the whole population of Ai, got slaughtered. (Josh. 8:25)

J.W-Note that many invaders throughout history have used such words as justification for wars and looting.

Utter Destruction, 2

"Ye shall utterly destroy all the places, wherein the nations which ye shall possess served their gods, upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree: And ye shall overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and destroy the names of them out of that place." (Deuteronomy 12:2-3)

Comment- J.W.

The Lord, here commands the destruction of all the places where people worship other gods. There appears not a shred of religious tolerance here!

"I cannot imagine a God who rewards and punishes the objects of his creation, whose purposes are modeled after our own-- a God, in short, who is but a reflection of human frailty. Neither can I believe that the individual survives the death of his body, although feeble souls harbor such thoughts through fear or ridiculous egotism." --Albert

Einstein

(For other examples of utter destructions, see Numbers 21:2; Deuteronomy 3:6-7, 7:2, 13:15, 20:17, Judges 21:11, 19 Chronicles 20:23; 1 Kings 20-42; Isaiah 11:15, 15:3, 9, 18; Jeremiah 12:17, 25-9, 50:21, 26, 51:3; Daniel 11:44; Amos 9:8)

Washing Feet In Blood

"The righteous shall rejoice when he sees the vengeance. He shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked." (Psalms 58:10)

Comment- J.W.

How many "good" Christians realize that such a verse appears in the Bible? Of course most preachers keep these bloodthirsty

words away from their congregations, and the few Christians who do come across these verses, re-interpret them for their own purposes, not realizing the impact these words can have on others. Unfortunately the few that take these verses literally can justify atrocities against anyone who they wish to define as "wicked."

Sex, Obscenities, Filth in the Bible

Biblical pornography	Cain's wife?
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God's bowl diseases	God's fecal fetish
Howl and strip naked	Incestuous relations
Pisseth against walls	Prophecy in the nude
The sacred Penis	Passing wind

Biblical Pornography

"Yet she multiplied her whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the days of her youth, wherein she had

played the harlot in the land of Egypt. For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh is as the flesh of asses, and whose issue is like the issue of horses." (Ezekiel 23: 19-21)

"and lusted after her paramours there, whose members were like those of donkeys, and whose emission was like that of stallions." (Ezekiel 23: 21, NRSV)

Comment- J.W.

The story of the sister whores, Aholah and Aholibah gives a moral lesson against the sins of the flesh. But why does God have to describe their adventures in such pornographic detail? Does God love porn?

What parent would want their children reading verse 21 about comparing the size of men's penises to donkey genitals and the sperm flow to that of horse issues?

As any adult religious parent might believe, such lustful descriptions, if culled from secular sources, would corrupt children should they happen to read them. Should it not also corrupt children if read from the Bible?

Cain's Wife?

"And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch." (Genesis 4:17)

Comment- J.W.

What wife? At that time only Adam & Eve, Cain and Abel existed on the Earth. The only possibility comes from, either a grave omission from the Bible, or his mother Eve served as his wife. The second possibility would mean incest.

After Cain killed his brother, God protected him by setting "a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him." (verse 14). Considering the earth supposedly had only Adam's family, who should kill him? And what kind of mark could have

protected Cain? From the absurdity of this story, it should not surprise why anyone would read into it what they wanted. Certain inane beliefs resulted such as the common belief that the "mark of Cain" meant the dark skin of the "Negro" race.

David Uncovers Himself

"And David danced before the LORD with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart." (II Samuel 6:14-16)

"Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel today, who uncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovereth himself!" (II Samuel 6:20)

Comment- J.W.

Imagine King David dancing and leaping with all his might while uncovering himself to the crowd.

David's wife, in effect, says, "Well, you certainly made an ass of yourself at the temple today leaping and dancing about like an idiot and exposing yourself."

Note: An "ephod" describes an embroidered robe that looks similar to a woman's dress.

Death To Adulterers

"And the man that committeth adultery with another man's wife, even he that committeth adultery with his neighbour's

wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death. And the man that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them." (Leviticus 20:10-11)

Comment- J.W.

Few Christians today consider death as a punishment for adultery; no doubt because so many Christians, themselves, practice sexual liaisons with other people's spouses.

J.W-Note, however, that a growing number of heterosexual fundamentalists have begun to call for the death penalty for homosexuals simply because Leviticus 20:13 calls for the death of a man who lies with mankind (homosexuality)

Drugs And Aphrodisiacs

"Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages. Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish, whether the tender grape appear, and the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my loves. The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates are all manner of pleasant fruits, new and old, which I have laid up for thee, O my beloved." (Song of Solomon 7:11-13)

Comment- J.W.

The poetry of the Songs of Solomon give Scriptural testimony for love, sex and the beauty of the female body, a rare and usually ignored portion of the Bible by many fundamentalist Christians.

The mandrakes mentioned here describe a Mediterranean herb of the nightshade family of plants. To this day in the Middle East, people believe it overcomes impotence in men and acts as a powerful aphrodisiac. Even the roots have a decidedly phallic appearance. Ancient physician, Galen, wrote that pomegranate possessed antifertility properties. Many women in

ancient days used pomegranate, (as well as other plants) for birth control, with little interference from religious or political authorities. Studies in the 1930s showed that pomegranate reduced fertility in laboratory animals, much as modern contraceptive pills do. *[Archaeology, March/April 1994]*

(See also Genesis 30:14)

Eat Human Feces!

"And thou shalt eat it as barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight. And the LORD said, Even thus shall the children of Israel eat their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will drive them." (Ezekiel 4:12-13)

Comment- J.W.

Holy shit cakes, Batman! How many good Christians today realize that their God has coprophilic tendencies?

One wonders what nutritional or moral value it would serve the people to eat human feces with their bread, as God ordered. God here has also ordered the voyeuristic operation without explanation. Although in verses 14-15 the poor Israelites complain about eating abominable flesh, God (in his "wonderful" grace) *changes his mind* and allows them to substitute human feces with cow feces. Gee, thanks a lot God! (as if eating cow excrement makes much of a difference). You'd think the Creator of the entire universe might have given his "chosen ones" a soufflé or a bagel or something. Please, anything better than shit-cakes! One might also wonder: how can an all-knowing and perfect God (but a scat-God nevertheless), *change his mind*?

[Note: some have tried to interpret "dung" as fuel here but nothing in those verses relate to anything at all about fuel and it specifically says to bake it "with" dung. Moreover the verses speak of "defiled bread" and "abominable flesh" which obliterates the fuel theory. During biblical times barley served as a poor-man's staple. They also fed their cattle barley, which may explain the adding of dung (with its undigested barley) to the cake to increase the barely content.]

Eating Dung And Drinking Piss

**"But Rabshakeh said unto them, Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee, to speak these words? hath he not sent me to the men which sit on the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?"
(II Kings 18:27)**

Comment- J.W.

Whatever moral lesson an adult might gain from such questionable verses, one can only wonder. How many parents realize that their children, who might come across such filthy passages, could get the wrong message?

Any mention of eating feces and drinking urine in any secular writing would get considered obscene and sick by any righteous minded Christian. Then why should it not receive the same consideration if found in a bible? Might we ask what artistic or social value this verse presents?

Note the word "piss" stands as one of the censored vulgar words of the public television industry. If Christians wish to censor such language from secular sources, then it behooves them to give themselves as an example and thus censor the obscene verses from their own Bible.

(See also Isaiah 36:12)

Boil and Eat Your Son

**"And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son to morrow. So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the next day, Give thy son, that we may eat him: and she hath hid her son...."
(II Kings 6:28-29)**

Comment- J.W.

According to the Bible, a horrible famine took place in Samaria where in desperation, the people ate whatever they could. The cannibalistic eating of a son may provide sufficient nutrition for

a mother but disregards the puissant nature of humans to protect their young. Although the Bible does not explain if the son had already died or if the parent deliberately killed him for food, this dreadful example goes against human nature.

Long before bibles or written language, humans evolved as social animals that required the protection of their offspring. Only the dogmatic insistence of a belief-system could supersede the natural instincts of humans. Hopefully readers of the Bible who might one day experience a famine will not subvert their natural instinct for this kind of horrific example in Scripture. May I suggest that if you cannot control your belief to eat your children, sacrifice your priest and eat him instead; that way you gain far more protein for you *and your children*, and when you say grace, you'll have someone to really thank for your food.

Expose Her Breasts!

"Behold, I am against thee, saith the LORD of hosts; and I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame. And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make the vile, and will set thee as gazingstock." (Nahum 3:5-6)

"Look, I am against you!- declares Yahweh Saboath- I shall lift your skirts as high as your face and show your nakedness to the nations, your shame to the kingdoms. I shall pelt you with filth." (Nahum 3:6, The New Jerusalem Bible)

Comment- J.W.

Some think these verses describe a genius of a poet. If judged as such, it can only come from its sharpness and vividness. But it also describes vulgarity and hatred, even if it aims against the harlotry of the city of Nineveh.

Few scholars today believe that these verses come as a direct quote from God. But a fundamentalist who believes every word of the Bible, must also accept these words as Godly. If so, then how can one not see God in a cruel vulgar light?

"Filth" here refers to dung. (See also Malachi 2:2-3 where God says "I will corrupt your seed, and spread dung upon your faces...")

Fatal Orgasm

**"And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him. And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother. And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother. And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also."
(Genesis 38:7-10)**

Comment- J.W.

The term "onanism," from the name Onan, has come to stand for masturbation which has suffered a fate similar to sodomy in the sense that it has evolved to have a meaning far different from its original usage.

Dictionaries define onanism as "male masturbation" or "Uncompleted coitus." According to interpretations of the Bible, Onan removed his penis from his partner's vagina before he ejaculated so that his seed fell onto the ground. This displeased God so much that he killed him! Onanism has also received another definition of "self pollution" which has caused misery throughout the centuries. God killed Onan because, rather than to impregnate his brother's wife-- thus extending his line, Onan chose to interrupt his coitus before he could impregnate Tamar. Onan had a logical reason for doing so, one that involved Jewish law of those ancient days. During Biblical times, any child born to the wife of the eldest son died without heirs - and if his wife had no children sired by a relative of her dead spouse - then the dominance would pass to the second son. Onan stood to lose a great deal if he complied with his father's order. Had he been asked to marry his brother's wife, thus transferring her to his possession, he no doubt would have completed the act.

Then the resultant child would have been his, legally as well as physically.

Sometime during the centuries, the character of the sinful act was changed. Instead of being recognized as a seldom performed interrupting of coitus, it became accepted as any form of self-stimulation that resulted in orgasm, and the entire character of the deed became altered. Onanism came to mean a sinful act of masturbation! This has resulted in a general bad impression of masturbation even in secular beliefs. For example many a parent has told his son not to masturbate for fear of going blind. [*I masturbated only until I needed glasses, J.W*]

Fecal disposal

**"And thou shalt have a paddle upon thy weapon; and it shall be, when thou wilt ease thyself abroad, thou shalt dig therewith, and shalt turn back and cover that which cometh from thee: For the LORD thy God walketh in the midst of thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thine enemies before thee; therefore shall they camp be holy: that he see no unclean thing in thee, and turn away from thee."
(Deuteronomy 23:13-14)**

Comment- J.W.

These verses ask us to believe that God has concern for fecal waste disposal outside a military camp because God personally wishes to walk within the camp. Now really!

God Given Hemorrhoids

"The LORD will smite thee with the botch of Egypt, and with the emerods, and with the scab, and with the itch,

**whereof thou canst not be healed."
(Deuteronomy 28:27)**

**"But the hand of the LORD was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he destroyed them, and smote them with emerods, [even] Ashdod and the coasts thereof"
(1 Samuel 5:6)**

**"And it was [so], that, after they had carried it about, the hand of the LORD was against the city with a very great destruction: and he smote the men of the city, both small and great, and they had emerods in their secret parts."
(1 Samuel 5:9)**

Comment- J.W.

When Israel felt rebellious against God's plan, He threatened them with type of plague: "emerods" or by today's terminology, "hemorrhoids."

No wonder why so many atheists consider God a pain in the ass. But then again, Christians and Jews develop hemorrhoids too. If you happen to develop hemorrhoids, then you can trust the Bible that God considers you an enemy.

God's Bowel Diseases

"Behold with a great plague will the LORD smite thy people and thy children, and thy wives, and all thy goods: And thou shalt have great sickness by disease of thy bowels, until thy bowels fall out by reason of the sickness day by day." (II Chronicles 21:14-15)

"And after all this the LORD smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease. And it came to pass, that in process of time, after the end of two years, his bowels fell out by reason of sickness: so he died of sore diseases. And his people made no burning for him, like the burning of his fathers." (II Chronicles 12:18-19)

Comment- J.W.

Another among many instances in the Bible where the Lord smites, not only men, but all the people including women and children.

Why God would concern himself with giving an incurable cruel bowel disease where the person's guts spill out of the abdomen, goes beyond human decency and comprehension.

God's Fecal Fetish

"If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the LORD of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay it to heart. Behold, I will corrupt your seed, and spread dung upon your faces, even the dung of your solemn feasts; and one shall take you away with it." (Malachi 2:2-3)

Comment- J.W.

Amazingly God appears to have a fecal fetish.

This commandment to the priests told by the Lord gives example of the Satanic threats of curses He seems to enjoy. What should one think of a God that would smear feces upon the faces of his creations? Such vulgarity can hardly give good example to high morality.

Howl And Strip Naked

"Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the owls." (Micah 1:8)

Comment- J.W.

The minor prophets felt influenced from Isaiah and these words of Micah indicate that he would imitate Isaiah's nudist actions as an adjunct to his prophesying.

Picture in your mind a religious man of today stripping and running around totally nude and prophesying in public, wailing

and hooting at the top of his lungs. No doubt the police would snatch him up in a second while citizens stare in embarrassment. It just goes to show how far we have demeaned ourselves and our bodies as shameful. (See also Isaiah 20:2-4)

Incestuous Relations

"And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of man." (Genesis 2:23)

"And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD. And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground." (Genesis 4:1-2)

"And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch..." (Genesis 4:17)

Comment- J.W.

Since Eve came from Adam and due to God's edict to "be fruitful and multiply," this describes the first incestual relationship. In 4:17 one must infer incest for Cain would have had to have sex with either his own mother, Eve, or an unnamed sister.

For other examples of Biblical incest see Gen. 20:12 where Abraham married his half-sister Sarah; Gen. 19:30-38 where Lot's daughters had intercourse with him; Gen. 38:16 where Tamar had sex with her father-in-law Judah.

People should become aware that many of today's incestuous abuses occur in Christian families and many use Biblical scripture for its justification.

Passing Wind

Wherefore my bowels shall sound like a harp for Moab, and mine inward parts for Kirharesh. (Isaiah 16:11)

Comment- J.W.

This passage refers to the flatulent passing of gas in musical fashion from the bowels of a prophet. Could this represent a rare instance of humor in the Bible?

Piss Crimes

"therefore, behold, I will bring evil upon the house of Jerobo'am, and will cut off from Jerobo'am him that pisseth against the wall..." (I Kings 14:10)

Comment- J.W.

If God brings evil, then what makes Him different from Satan?

Although the unsanitary practice of urinating on walls might have caused serious erosion of the mud walls, bringing evil appears excessive punishment for such a minor offense.

Note, the word 'pisseth' translates from the Hebrew word 'shathan' [shaw-than] which means to make water, i.e. urinate, or piss.

(See also I Kings 16:8-11, I Kings 21:21, and II Kings 9:8-10.)

Pisseth Against Walls

"And it came to pass, when he began to reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, that he slew all the house of Baasha: he left him not one that pisseth against a wall, neither of his kinsfolks, nor of his friends." (I Kings 16:11)

Comment- J.W.

Consider that many Christians tell us to believe all of the Bible, must we also include this vulgar language as the inspiration of God? (See also I Kings 14:10, 21:21; II Kings 9:8.)

Prophecy in the nude

"At the same time spake the LORD by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, Go and loose the sackcloth from off thy loins, and put off thy shoe from thy foot. And he did so, walking naked and barefoot. And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and barefoot three years for a sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia; So shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt." (Isaiah 20:2-4)

Comment- J.W.

Although Saul acted on his own, God gave Isaiah a direct injunction to prophesy in the nude, and that it should continue for three years.

God seems not the least offended by nudity when it comes to prophesying, yet he imbues his followers with shame over nudity associated with sex, especially when it involves pagan sex worship. (*See also Micah 1:8*)

The Sacred Penis

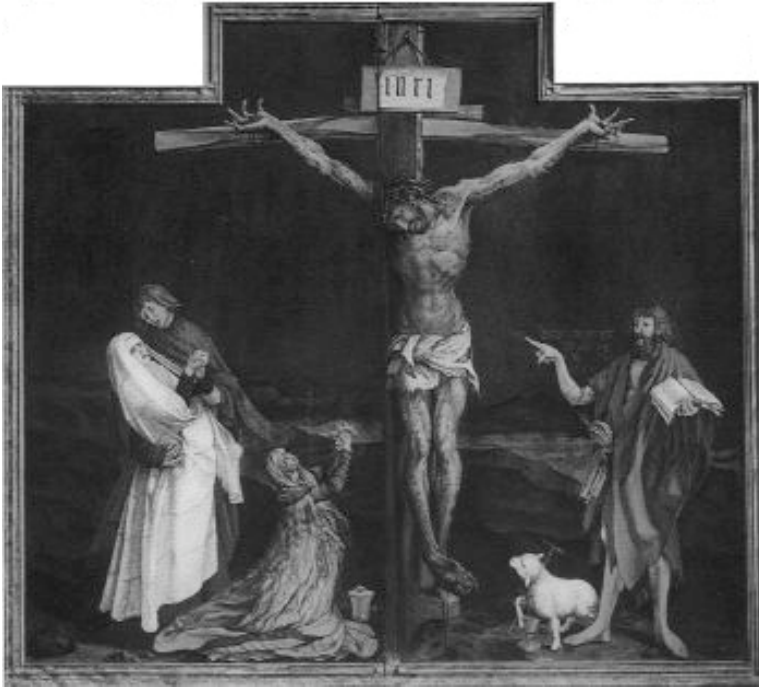
"He that is wounded in the stones, or hath his privy member cut off, shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD. A bastard shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the congregation of the LORD." (Deuteronomy 23:1-2)

Comment- J.W.

Consider the religious man who happens to accidentally receive an injury to his testicles (stones) or the loss of his penis (privy member). According to the Bible, and regardless of his righteousness or goodwill toward men, mind you, but just because he lacks a penis, he should never enter a Church or Temple.

Also pity a poor man born of a mother who, for whatever reason, including rape, may have born him out of wedlock. He too should, according to the Bible, never enter the Lord's congregation.

Special Note by Jim Walker: Jesus (we have deleted this word-as we find it too offence to write it, but one can go to J.W's website to see it-)broke God's word whenever he stepped into a Temple. Do you suppose God had him crucified for this reason?



The Crucifixion by Mathias Grunewald (1480-1530)

This painting gives a pictorial example of the horrific nature of the Bible.

With its Godly atrocities and tortures. Here we have the tortured body of Jesus

Flayed, bruised and bleeding. Above the pointing hand of John the Baptist

(on the right) are inscribed in Latin: "He must increase, but I must decrease

" from John 3:30. *Indeed, any man who believes in the Bible decreases his potential as a human being!*

Be Wise As Serpents³

"Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves."

Be wise as serpents	Beat the slave
Burn the daughter!	Burn them!
Creation contradiction-1	Creation contradiction-2
Creation contradiction-3	Curse the children
Eat your children	God accepts slavery
God condones slavery	The Gods creation
God orders adultery	God's okay on abortion
Golden rule	Happy to kill children
Hate them	Hate your family
He must increase but I <i>must</i> decrease	Make weapons
Human sacrifice	More than one God
Pray in the closet	Rape my daughter
Serpent Jews	Slay enemies
Synagogues of Satan	Talking donkey
The "gods"	The sun stands still!
Turn thy cheek	Virgin's worth

(Matthew 10:16)

³ *Note by compilers:* According to the Bible the serpent misled Adam and Eve to commit sin. Here the Bible teaches one to be as the serpent.

Comment- J.W.

This verse instructs the apostles to act "wise as serpents." Since Christians hold that the serpent in the Bible represents Satan, one might wonder about this. In Genesis 3:1 the Bible describes the serpent as "more subtil than any beast..." Some early Gnostic heretics believed that Satan and Jesus were the same. They may have used sayings such as this to support their belief.

It seems odd that Jesus would resort to the metaphorical "sheep" instead of sheep-dogs or some other noble animal. The awkward fact remains: people raise sheep to either fleece them or kill them for food. To send them as prey in the midst of marauders hardly seems advisable.

Note also that doves actually act just the opposite of "harmless." Doves sometimes act viciously against other birds.

Beat That Slave

"And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes." (Luke 12:47)

Comment- J.W.

Note, the word "servant" here means slave. The Biblical Jesus lived in a time when slavery flourished, yet He never spoke or fought against it.

"English North Americans embraced slavery because they were Christians, not in spite of it... It was Christianity that perverted the African's way of life. Not leaving them alone was the real tragedy."
-- Forrest G. Wood

Burn Them!

"Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from the violent man; who have purposed to overthrow my goings." (Psalms 140:4)

"Let burning coals fall upon them: let them be cast into the fire; into deep pits, that they rise not up again." (Psalms 140:10)

Comment- J.W.

Such wicked words can justify to the religious person any atrocity including holocausts. Ironically, the words "Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the wicked" and which verse 10 calls for horrible acts against their enemies, hardly imparts a message of love of thine enemies.

Creation Contradiction, 1

"And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness. And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day." (Genesis 1: 3-5)

"And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth." (Genesis 1:16-17)

Comment- J.W.

God creates day and night on the first day and then makes the stars and the two great lights (sun and moon) on the fourth day (Genesis 1:19). How can you have day and night on the first day without a star? This describes a dramatic contradiction to the way the actual universe works. To have a day you must have a rotating planet and a sun. Genesis proves that God (or more accurately, the authors of Genesis) could not have known about the structure of the universe, or even the difference between stars and planets.

Creation Contradiction, 2

"And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good. And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness..." (Genesis 1:25-26)

"And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air..." (Genesis 2:18-19)

Comment- J.W.

In the first account, man gets created *after* the beasts, the second account has man created *before* the beasts . Only a person who exercised warped logic or blind faith could believe this outright contradiction. Yet to the fundamentalist reader, the many hundreds of contradictions and discrepancies in the Bible go by unseen, regardless of how many honest scholars and theologians have discovered otherwise.

In fact there occurs two stories of Genesis, the second story starts at Genesis 2:4. The first story uses Elohim (God in the plural form) and the second story uses the LORD God (Yahweh Elohim, sometimes incorrectly termed Jehovah). Both stories appear markedly different, yet somehow in history the stories got annexed together. This shows the allegorical intent of Genesis rather than a factual account.

Even the belief among non-fundamentalists, that the Bible has kept its original form despite minor changes, has led many theologians to think otherwise. One of the most highly respected theologians, Bruce Metzger, has written extensively on the errors in the Bible. For example, in his book "The text of the New Testament- Its Transmission, Corruption, and Restoration," Metzger asserts errors due to:

- Errors arising from faulty eyesight

- Errors arising from faulty hearing
- Errors of the mind
- Errors of judgment
- Difficulties historical and geographical
- Alterations from doctrinal considerations
- Addition of miscellaneous details.

Many times whole belief systems and vast changes to a society can change from a simple mistranslation of a single word. (For example "virgin" got confused in Isaiah 7:14 for young woman "almah")

Creation Contradiction, 3

**"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."
(Genesis 1:27)**

**"And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man."
(Genesis 2:21-22)**

Comment- J.W.

In the first account, God created a man and female simultaneously, in God's image. In the second account Adam gets created from the dust (Genesis 2:7), and then later, a woman came from one of Adam's ribs. Again, this shows another difference between the two Genesis story accounts, each contradicting the other.

There occurs a plethora of contradictions in the Bible, far too many for the scope of the Dark Bible. For those who wish further edification, consult "The Bible Handbook for

**Free-Thinkers and Inquiring Christians -
edited by G. W. Foote and W. P. Ball (Pioneer
Press, London)**

Curse The Children

"And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcases be wasted in the wilderness. After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise." (Numbers 14:33-34)

Comment- J.W.

This cruel curse on children attributed to God, for the sins of their parents, bears the typical harsh vengeful evil spirit that permeates the Old Testament.

How can one not conclude that these verses give the greatest insult to a loving God?

Eat Your Children

"And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee:" (Deuteronomy 28:53)

"And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all things secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates." (Deuteronomy 28:57)

Comment- J.W.

Here we have the horrific calling for cannibalism. It comes even more barbaric considering it calls for the devouring of their own sons and daughters.

Hardly anyone today accepts cannibalism, yet many fundamentalist Christians would have us believe that cannibalism or some other depravity will result if we choose not to believe in God or to choose another god. (See also II Kings 6:28-29)

God Accepts Slavery

"And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free: Then his master shall bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul; and he shall serve him for ever." (Exodus 21:5-6)

Comment- J.W.

The Bible bears witness to the fact that God accepts not only slavery but violence against such slaves (in this case a awl driven through the ear) for the innocent statement of love for their master, wife and children.

It came from precisely these verses that justified, in many peoples minds, the tortures inflicted on African slaves when they tried to leave their cruel masters in the American colonies. "Good" Christians of the day would drive nails and spikes through the ears of defenseless slaves whose only offense came from the will to no longer serve as slaves.

Not until after the Civil War did federal laws become enacted to protect African Americans from gross physical abuse. Even today, the KKK and "the Aryan Race" use the Bible as justification for their attacks against "Negroes."

God Condonees Slavery

"Both thy bondmen, and thy bondmaids, which thou shalt have, shall be of the heathen that are round about you; of them shall ye buy bondmen and bondmaids." (Leviticus 25:44 , KJV)

"As for the male and female slaves whom you may have, it is from the nations around you that you may acquire male and female slaves." (Leviticus 25:44, NRSV)

Comment- J.W.

The Biblical meaning rings clear: God not only condones slavery, but gives permission to buy and own slaves. The Southern United States fought The Civil War over such Scriptural teachings.

The Gods creation

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." (Genesis 1:1)

"And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness..." (Genesis 1:26)

Comment- J.W.

The Bible has a crisis from the very beginning in that Biblical translators have chosen to use the word "God" for the Hebrew term 'Elohim.' The problem, here lies in the fact that Elohim represents the plural form of 'El.' Elohim literally means 'gods.' A more honest translation of Verse 1 should read, "In the beginning Gods created the heaven and the earth," and in Verse 26: "And the Gods said..."

The idea of Genesis and the Creation story did not come originally from the Hebrews, but rather from various cultures in the area. For example, excavations in Mesopotamia uncovered small cylinder seals depicting the creation stories. Of course these early people believed in many gods and goddesses, just as did the first Hebrews. The *Enuma Elish*, the Mesopotamian creation story which predates Genesis and which believers recited in every Mesopotamian temple every year for some

4000 years and more, parallels the Biblical stories to such an extent that it even makes abundant use of the "magical" number seven. [Romer, p.35-36]

Although as the Hebrew belief system grew, and the word Elohim came to mean the singular God, the fact still remains: The original meaning meant the plural form. Any honest translation of Elohim, therefore should reflect this plurality. In the name of honesty, we should ask why our Church fathers would allow the dishonest singular forms of the word God in the Bible.

Note, when anyone questioned this plurality, Christian priests tried to resolve this sticky problem by using the concept of the Trinity (Father, Son and the Holy Ghost) or the heavenly angels to explain the plurality. The problem here comes that if they truly believed this, then why not use the proper plural translation in the first place? Substituting a singular term for the plurality of the Trinity or other heavenly agents amounts to dishonesty or subterfuge.

God Orders Adultery

"This said the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun." (II Samuel 12:11)

Comment- J.W.

Here describes God, not only condoning adultery, but literally causes it to happen!

Note also, the strange assertion that God raises up evil, supposedly an act reserved for Satan. In fact, nowhere does the Bible accuse Satan of raising evil. Little do most faithful realize that they worship a raiser and creator of evil (for God's creation of evil, see Isaiah 45:7).

God's OK On Abortion

"And when he hath made her drink the water, then it shall come to pass, that, if she be defiled, and have done trespass against her husband, that the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, and become bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall rot: and the woman shall be a curse among her people. And if the woman be not defiled, but be clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive seed." (Numbers 5:27-28)

Comment- J.W.

This nonsensical ritual, prescribed by God, to a woman suspected of infidelity, must undergo the drinking of a vile concoction made of bitter water and dust from the floor of a tabernacle. A priest calls a curse upon the woman's head to insure that if she has acted in adultery the drinking of the liquid will cause her to have a miscarriage. If she comes out clean, then she shall conceive.

Regardless of how ridiculous this procedure seems, any person who believes every word of the Bible must come to terms with the realization that the quoted God here sometimes authorizes abortion. (also see Num. 5:1-25)

Golden Rule

"And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise." (Luke 6:31)

Comment- J.W.

From this verse we have the Jesus formulation: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Also known as the Golden Rule. This gives an example of perhaps the most admired and quoted saying by Jesus, not only from Christians, but from unbelievers alike.

Most people do not realize that Jesus did not originate this saying. K'ung-Tzu (also known as Confucius) also expressed a similar idea, ironically called the Silver Rule.

However, does this seemingly worthy Golden Rule live up to its billing?

At first glance, the rule appears justified. Who wouldn't want to receive treatment the way we wish? And who wouldn't want to give the same treatment to others? However, upon further reflection we quickly come upon problems. Who says that the receiving person wishes to always get treated the way "we" wish? Would most people like to get treated like a masochist from a masochist? Would an atheist like to get treated like a Christian? Would a Christian like to get treated as an atheist? Clearly, the Golden rule can cause severe incompatibilities with the other person involved. The Golden Rule only *seems* commendable because we impart our own individual concepts without realizing that "doing unto others" has various meanings to other people. The Golden Rule reflects upon selfish motives instead of incorporating a system that can work for a diverse society. Therefore, when Jesus uses this incomplete and illusory command, he deceives the believer into a false sense of morality. Consider that in some cases, treating people the way *they* would like to get treated works better than the way *you* would like to get treated. **Think about it.**

Happy To Kill Children

"Happy shall he be, that taketh and dasheth thy little ones against the stones." (Psalms 137:9, KJV)

"How blessed will be the one who seizes and dashes your little ones Against the rock." (Psalms 137:9, New American Bible)

"Happy the man who shall seize and smash your little ones against the rock!" (Psalms 137:9, New American Bible)

"a blessing on anyone who seizes your babies and shatters them against a rock!" (Psalms 137:9, Jerusalem Bible)

Comment- J.W.

Ask a Christian friend whether he or she should feel happy to dash a child against the rocks. Your friend will most likely stare at you in horror, much less believe this idea exists in their sacred Bible.

Many Churches have found this verse quite embarrassing. It gives no wonder why priests, Jews, and Christians alike, who quote from Psalms 137, always leave out this last verse. (See also Isaiah 13:16; Hosea 13-16)

Hate Them!

"Surely thou will slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men. For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies take thy name in vain. Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee? I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies."

(Psalms 139:19-22)

Comment- J.W.

A message of hate from the, supposed, inspired words of God against anyone who takes God's name in vain or who goes against God.

Faith in one's belief produces a barrier to further investigation. Religious groups that differ in beliefs from other societies cannot see past their own barriers. When hate enters into the prison of their beliefs, the seeds for violence to act out against other societies come to full bloom.

Hate Your Family!

**"If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple."
(Luke 14:26)**

Comment- J.W.

This remarkable statement of hate by Jesus directly contradicts the idea of a loving Christ. If one must hate their father, mother, wife, children, brethren and sisters and even themselves, in order to become a disciple of Jesus, one must question Christ's idea love, family, and decency. (*See also Luke 12:51-53, Matthew 10:34-37.*)

Note by Jim Walker: A few desperate apologists attempt to dismiss this verse claiming that the word 'hate' here really doesn't mean what it says. The problem with this approach borders on complete deception and the ironic dismissal of the Bible and Biblical scholarship. The word 'hate' here comes from the ancient Greek word 'miseo' which means hate (from the primary 'misos' [hatred]). If any synonym could substitute for this word, it would come from a word like 'detest,' 'loath,' or 'despise.' Moreover, virtually all Bibles translate the term as hate. To deny this intent means to deny the Bible and the alleged word of Jesus.

He Must Increase But I Must Decrease

"He must increase but I *must* decrease." (John 3:30)

Comment- J.W.

The dubious Old Testament concept of declaring the entire human population as depraved and sinful goes far to insure an inferiority complex, ***but this verse takes it to a lower level.*** One of the distinctive features of the Dark Ages showed how the faithful would publicly display their lower status by prostrating and punishing themselves before crosses, priests, and churches. Monastic disciplines adopted flagellation and scourging in the fifth and following centuries. Self-flagellation served as a discipline as a measure of mortification and penance as exemplified in the lives of St. Dominic Loricatus and St. Peter Damian. Damian wrote a special treatise in praise of self-flagellation. In the 13th century a sect developed called the Flagellants where its members would whip themselves in public which aroused much excitement among the populace.
[Catholic Encyclopedia]

To decrease one's earthly life for promoting an increase of a superstitious idea, in effect, declares humans as unworthy and valueless. **Belief in universal sin and increasing the myth of Jesus above all human concerns must put this kind of worship as among the most insidious and depraved forms of human thought known to man.**

"There was a time when religion ruled the world. It is known as The Dark Ages." -Ruth Hurmence Green

(The Born Again Skeptic's Guide to the Bible)

Human Sacrifice

"Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors: the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me." (Exodus 22:29)

Comment- J.W.

This verse refers to human sacrifice which many primitive cultures practiced.

In the Canaanite world the Molech cult practiced human sacrifice and many scholars equate Yahweh with the Molech god. Explicit references to Molech appear in Lev. 18:21, 20:2-5; Jer. 32:35 and II Kings 23:10. Fortunately, few people believe in sacrificing humans directly to gods these days (but Christian leaders still sacrifice soldiers and innocent men, women, and children in the name of "freedom" and God).

(See also Gen. 22:1-19 for Abraham's will to sacrifice his son Isaac, and Judges 11). (Another incongruity is that Ishmael was the first born and was supposed to be sacrificed, but here the second born is said to be sacrificed-)

Make Weapons

"Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up: Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong." (Joel 3:9-10)

Comment- J.W.

Peace loving Jews and Christians love to quote the biblical passage about beating swords into ploughshares and spears into pruning hooks, (Micah 4:3) but here we have just the opposite.

More Than One God

"Now I know that the LORD is greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly he was above them." (Exodus 18:11)

Comment- J.W.

Here we have the Bible alluding to the existence of more than one god.

Note that it does not say "the Lord is the *only* god" but rather that he "is greater than all gods."

History records that the ancient people in the area of the Middle East, including the Hebrews, believed in many goddesses and gods. Yahweh served only as their god, a god among many others.

Pray in the Closet

"And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." (Matthew 6:5-6)

Comment- J.W.

The Religious Right wishes to put into law public prayer. How many Christians realize that the Biblical Jesus strongly opposed public prayer?

The wall of separation between Church and State, actually protects the religious liberties for all of us in the United States and here we have Biblical justification for keeping prayer private.

Serpent Jews

"Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?" (Matthew 23:33)

Comment- J.W.

Chapter 23 describes the famous diatribe of Jesus against the Jewish leaders. Such biblical words have, for centuries, given believers' justification for Jewish hatred. This verse, spoken by the alleged Jesus himself, compares the unbelieving Jews with the serpent devil.

Slay Enemies

"But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me." (Luke 19:27)

Comment- J.W.

Although Jesus in one instance calls for the love of enemies, at the end of the parable of ten pounds, he orders to slay his enemies that would deny his reign (Luke 19:12-27). Despite the commandment not to kill, Jesus accepts the killing of humans here.

Believers try to escape this problem by claiming, "Well, it's *just* a parable." Of course when Jesus gives a parable about love or living, *then* the parable serves as an important lesson which the faithful should take seriously. So also must any of Jesus' parables. Nor can one escape by route of metaphorical excuse. The parable clearly connects the "nobleman" with Jesus (see verse 12) , and there occurs no other meaning for a metaphorical "slay" other than words like "kill," "slaughter," "massacre," etc.

Although there occurs scholarly debate as to whether Jesus meant verse 27 as part of the parable or as a non-parable conclusion, it has far more serious consequences if believed as a parable. Why? Because a parable instructs beyond the life-time of the parable's author. If the author of these words meant it only as an example during Jesus' alleged life on earth, then it would serve only as a request of Jesus during his life time. But

as a parable, it lives through the followers of Jesus who believe that he still lives (in Heaven) and that they might follow his commands, even after his death-and-resurrection. As a parable then, slaying of enemies "before me" (in Jesus' spirit) instructs believers well past the alleged life of Jesus.

If anyone needs Biblical justification to kill anyone who denies Jesus, or whom you believe acts as an enemy, you need only to believe this verse. --J.W.

Synagogues Of Satan

"But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate." (Revelation 2:6)

"I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan." (Revelation 2:9)

"So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes, which the thing I hate." (Revelation 2:15)

"Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee." (Revelation 3:9)

Comment- J.W.

These verses by Jesus has fueled the engine of anti-Semitism throughout Europe and the rest of the world for centuries. Unfortunately many believers today still justify their hatred of Jews based on Scripture.

Note that we have here in Rev 2:6 the words of Jesus admitting to hate, contrary to the belief by many Christians that Jesus holds only to the principle of love.

The Talking Donkey

"And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she fell down under Balaam: and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the ass with a staff. And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said **unto Balaam, 'What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times?' And Balaam said unto the ass, 'Because thou hast mocked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, for now would I kill thee.'** And the ass said unto Balaam, 'Am not I thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden ever since I was thine unto this day? was I ever wont to do so unto thee?' And he said, 'Nay.'" (Numbers 22:27-30)

Comment- J.W.

Here we have, as absurd as it may seem, a talking donkey. If we came across a talking animal, would we not feel amazed? Yet, oddly, Balaam here seems not the least bit concerned and converses with the ass as if nothing unusual had happened!

Given that millions of fundamentalists believe every word in the Bible, they would have us also believe that the Bible has its own version of Mr. Ed.

Notice that Balaam's cruel behavior to the donkey seems to have mimicked God's jealous behavior towards His people. Yet God responds to Balaam: "thy way is perverse before me." (Num. 22:32)

The "Gods"

**"Thou shalt have no other gods before me."
(Exodus 20:3)**

**"Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;"
(Exodus 20:5)**

Comment- J.W.

Note this does not mean "I am the only god," but rather, that one shall not believe in *other* gods above the God of the Chosen People.

Scholars and archeologists know that the early Hebrews practiced polytheism.

Not only does the Bible describe the polytheism of the Hebrews but digs from archeological sites give evidence that these early people believed in many gods, or more accurately, goddesses. They have found many statuette goddesses among their living dwellings.

Monotheism appears later in the Bible. Historically, monotheism got taught by many Greek philosophers. Judaism later separated itself from the Hellenistic world with its belief in only one supreme deity.

In verse 20:5 we have here a god so jealous that he holds a grudge against the children of the fathers who hated him. Hardly a concept of a forgiving and loving God. And if not against the other gods, just who could God claim for his jealousy?

The Sun Stands Still

"Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou

still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon. And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day." (Joshua 10:12-13)

Comment- J.W.

These verses imply that the sun moves around the earth. If the Bible actually represents the words or inspired words of God, then why didn't the Great Creator inspire them to tell the truth about the universe and our solar system?

Also, the Bible asks us to believe that a supposedly loving God made the sun stand still for the sole purpose of helping the Israelites slaughter the Amorites. How can one not see that these verses would insult the intelligence of any person who believes God possess wisdom, knowledge and love?

Turn Thy Cheek

"But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also." (Matthew 5:39)

Comment- J.W.

This nonviolent principle does not originate with Jesus. Lao-tse and the Buddha taught this five or six hundred years before Jesus, but does this represent a good rule to follow?

Ironically, few Christians hold to this principle. In fact, the Religious Right preach just the opposite as Christians throughout the centuries have violently attacked anyone who dared threaten them.

Although one should not overly react if smacked on the cheek, it might prove prudent to raise your hand in defense or at least leave the scene of trouble to avoid conflict. If you turn your other cheek to get smacked again, your enemy may just break your jaw or beat you to a pulp.

Wars must be

"And when ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars, be ye not troubled: for such things must needs be; but the end shall not be yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be earthquakes in divers places, and there shall be famines and troubles: these are the beginnings of sorrows." (Mark 13:7-8)

Comment- J.W.

Belief in these words can justify any war and atrocity against nations. Yet Jesus here tells us that we should not feel troubled by it as long as we have belief in Him.

When Jesus prophesies about the future, he gives the message that we have no control over our lives other than to choose or not choose a belief in the Lord. With such a message, it should not surprise anyone why the Religious Right does little to strive against war.

God, Satan, Jesus, Heaven	
The back parts of God	Beasts in heaven
The brethren of Jesus	Christ with horns

Christ's temper	Curse the earth
Evil from God	Evil spirit of the Lord, [1]
Evil spirit of the Lord, [2]	Get thee behind me Satan
God creates evil and peace	The final lie: Promise to return
Fire from the Lord	Fire of God
God casts stones	God rejoices your death
God 'The Jealous'	God-- man of war
God & Satan the same?	I came not to send peace
I come to send fire	Jesus not entirely good
Jesus reveals himself	J <u>e</u> sus' servants would fight
Jesus will kill children	Pray in the closet
The wrathful God	Sacrifice or suicide?

The Back Parts of God

"And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend..." (Exodus 33:11)

"And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live. And the LORD said, Be-hold,

there is a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock: and it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a cleft of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by: and I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts; but my face shall not be seen." (Exodus 33:20-23)

Comment- J.W.

In verse 11 we read that God spoke to Moses, face-to-face. Yet in seeming contradiction, we have later God telling Moses that he cannot see His face. Instead, God decides to show Moses his back parts! "Back parts" of course serves as a euphemism for "ass". In other words, God here says to Moses "thou shalt see my ass."

I'll leave it to the readers to ponder the possible sexual orientation of God as he shows Moses his bare bottom.

Beasts In Heaven

"And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, WHICH WAS, AND IS , AND IS TO COME." (Revelation 4:6-8)

Comment

Here we have a rare description of heaven where it appears frightening with strange beasts. One cannot help to think that it seems more a description of Hell than a heaven. (*See also Rev. 5*)

The Brethren Of Jesus

"After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples: and they continued there not many days." (John 2:12)

Comment- J.W.

This verse describes Jesus and his brethren. Jesus Christ's blood-related siblings directly contradicts the Catholic concept of the life-long virginity of the mother Mary. Some Christians have attempted to defend this contradiction by pointing out that brethren has two meanings: it could mean brothers, from the same parents, or it could mean colleagues or friends.

Note, however, that the use of the word "disciples" suggests that brothers and disciples constitute two separate groups. Therefore, brethren must mean brothers in this context.

Note also that Mark 6:3 mentions brothers and sisters that can only mean blood siblings.

Also, nowhere in the Gospel of John or Mark does it mention Jesus' birth or Mary as a virgin. Considering that a virgin birth of the Son of God would seem of utmost importance, it appears rather odd that these Gospels do not mention it.

Christ With Horns

"And I beheld, and lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth." (Revelation 5:6)

Comment- J.W.

Biblical scholars agree that "a Lamb" refers to the crucified Christ. Strangely, Jesus here appears to look devilish with horns and multiple eyes.

How can this description of heaven inspire an image of a peaceful afterlife with all these ghastly beasts and spirits about? (See also Rev. 4)

It should come to no surprise where some early Gnostic cults got the idea that, not only the Church, but Jesus represented Satan and the embodiment of Evil.

And who do the literalists claim as the "seven Spirits of God"?

Christ's Temper

**"And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; And said unto them that sold doves, 'Take these things hence; make not my Father's house a house of merchandise.'"
(John 2:14-16)**

Comment- J.W.

Here we have Jesus' temper and violence showing. It must have taken considerable fortitude to drive all the moneychangers out and then have the nerve to pour their money out and turn over their tables. Consider what would happen today if a man entered a Church bake sale and threw everyone out and violently turned over the tables. No doubt the police would come and throw him in the slammer.

Jesus served as Hitler's role model. Here Hitler referred to the verse in one of his speeches:

"MY FEELINGS AS A CHRISTIAN POINTS ME TO MY LORD AND SAVIOR AS A FIGHTER. IT POINTS ME TO THE MAN WHO ONCE IN LONELINESS, SURROUNDED ONLY BY A FEW FOLLOWERS, RECOGNIZED THESE JEWS FOR WHAT THEY WERE AND SUMMONED MEN

TO FIGHT AGAINST THEM AND WHO, GOD'S TRUTH! WAS GREATEST NOT AS A SUFFERER BUT AS A FIGHTER. IN BOUNDLESS LOVE AS A CHRISTIAN AND AS A MAN I READ THROUGH THE PASSAGE WHICH TELLS US HOW THE LORD AT LAST ROSE IN HIS MIGHT AND SEIZED THE SCOURGE TO DRIVE OUT OF THE TEMPLE THE BROOD OF VIPERS AND ADDERS. HOW TERRIFIC WAS HIS FIGHT FOR THE WORLD AGAINST THE JEWISH POISON. TO-DAY, AFTER TWO THOUSAND YEARS, WITH DEEPEST EMOTION I RECOGNIZE MORE PROFOUNDLY THAN EVER BEFORE IN THE FACT THAT IT WAS FOR THIS THAT HE HAD TO SHED HIS BLOOD UPON THE CROSS. AS A CHRISTIAN I HAVE NO DUTY TO ALLOW MYSELF TO BE CHEATED, BUT I HAVE THE DUTY TO BE A FIGHTER FOR TRUTH AND JUSTICE.... AND IF THERE IS ANYTHING WHICH COULD DEMONSTRATE THAT WE ARE ACTING RIGHTLY IT IS THE DISTRESS THAT DAILY GROWS. FOR AS A CHRISTIAN I HAVE ALSO A DUTY TO MY OWN PEOPLE.... WHEN I GO OUT IN THE MORNING AND SEE THESE MEN STANDING IN THEIR QUEUES AND LOOK INTO THEIR PINCHED FACES, THEN I BELIEVE I WOULD BE NO CHRISTIAN, BUT A VERY DEVIL IF I FELT NO PITY FOR THEM, IF I DID NOT, AS DID OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO, TURN AGAINST THOSE BY WHOM TO-DAY THIS POOR PEOPLE IS PLUNDERED AND EXPLOITED. "

-Adolf Hitler, in his speech on 12 April 1922

"I almost shudder at the thought of alluding to the most fatal example of the abuses of grief which the history of humankind has preserved-- the Cross. Consider what calamities that engine of grief has produced!" --John Adams

Curse The Earth

"For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch." (Malachi 4:1)

"And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts." (Malachi 4:3)

"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse." (Malachi 4:5-6)

Comment- J.W.

This last chapter of Malachi ends the book of the Old Testament.

One would think it might end with a flourish of enlightenment. Instead we get fear of burning to death and can only look forward to the dreadful day of the Lord. With all the horrors recorded in the Bible, perhaps it should not surprise anyone to see the Old Testament end with the word "curse."

Evil From God

"Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not evil and good? Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins?" (Lamentations 3: 38-39)

Comment- J.W.

Here we have the little known verse that plainly asserts that evil as well as good comes from the mouth of God. At the same time, men who possess God given evil must endure punishment for God's cruel gift.

(see also 1 Samuel 12:11 and 1 Kings 14:10 "I will bring evil upon...")

The Evil Spirit Of The Lord, 1

"And it came to pass, when the evil spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him." (1 Samuel 16:23)

Comment- J.W.

Here it specifically describes an evil spirit from God!

What religious killer could not also view this passage as justification for his evil nature?

Note that many murderers and serial killers have attributed the Biblical God to the reason for their slaughters. If the Religious Right feels so adamant about eliminating violence and pornography from secular literature, then why have they not seen that the Bible has influenced more deaths and atrocities than any other literature in the history of mankind? (See also 1 Samuel 19:9)

The Evil Spirit Of The Lord, 2

"And the evil spirit from the LORD was upon Saul, as he sat in his house with his javelin in his hand: and David played with his hand." (1 Samuel 19:9)

Comment- J.W.

Consider that many modern Judeo-Christians consider God the opposite of evil, yet here we have, again, the clear Biblical wording of evil coming from the LORD.

In early Christian history, several Gnostic cults believed that the orthodox Church as well as the Old Testament, came from Satan. The Church, of course, labeled these Gnostics as heretics and burned their books as well as the heretics themselves.

Reading the Old Testament appears to affirm the observation that God and Satan, if not one in the same, at least work as a team. (See also I Samuel 16:23)

Get Thee Behind Me Satan

"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church..." (Matthew 16:18)

But he turned, and said unto Peter. Get thee behind me Satan: thou art an offence unto me. for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of man. (Matthew 16:23)

Comment- J.W.

Many believers think that when Jesus said "Get thee behind me," he had spoken this only to Satan (as in Luke 4:8). Not so.

Many Catholics feel honored to belong to the original church established by Jesus. To this day, Catholics acknowledge Peter as the first Pope, the "rock" that Jesus built his church upon. But in just five verses later, amazingly, we have Jesus calling Peter, Satan. Did Satan really pose as the first Pope or did Jesus simply vilify again? Can you imagine a business owner promoting a man to a job, and then just after the promotion, arguing about his job qualifications? Jesus seems to have a poor sense of delegating duty to the right person here. Furthermore soon before Jesus died, Peter denied knowing Jesus (note, the cock crowed on the first denial, according to

Mark 14:66-72 not after the third as the alleged Jesus soothsayed in John 13:38). If the faithful should believe the Church's beginning came from someone who offended and denied Jesus, then perhaps it should also give them reason why the Catholic church seemed to act so demoniacally in their instigation of holy wars, inquisitions and anti-Semitism throughout history. In any case, we should question Jesus' choice for the "rock."

God Creates Evil And Peace

"I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things." (Isaiah 45:7)

Comment- J.W.

Here it explicitly states that God creates evil as well as makes peace. Considering that since the invention of man-made religions there has always existed war, it appears that God likes war more than peace.

(see also Lam. 3:38, 1 Samuel 12:11 & 1 Kings 14:10 "I will bring evil upon...")

The Final Lie

"Surely, I come quickly." (Revelation 22:20)

Comment- J.W.

The last words of Jesus in the Bible! It has been two thousand years, and Jesus has not come back, hence he did not come quickly. Therefore, this represents either proof of the falsehood of the Bible or that Jesus lied. And who represents the Great Liar in Christian thought? See "Jesus reveals himself."

Fire From The Lord

"AND Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not. And there went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the LORD." (Leviticus 10:1-2)

Comment- J.W.

In Sunday school, many children learn that Satan lives within and uses fire, yet here we have fire coming out of God to devour two young men to death. Their only crime came from offering before God a "strange fire." Although no one knows what the term "strange fire" means, it seems improbable that it could deserve a cruel death.

Fire Of God

"Then the fire of the LORD fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench." (I Kings 18:38)

Comment- J.W.

We get told that Satan involves himself with the eternal consuming fire, yet the Bible makes it abundantly clear that hell fire comes directly from God. Note that fire does not consume stones, otherwise ovens and kilns could not work.

***"The Christian religion has been and still is the principle enemy of moral progress in the world." --
Bertrand Russell***

God Casts Stones

"And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, and were in the going down to Bethhoron, that the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah,

and they died: they were more which died with hailstones than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword." (Joshua 10:11)

Comment- J.W.

Another typical slaughter described in the Bible. Here we have God, personally throwing great stones on the people for the sole purpose of killing them.

God rejoices your death

"And it shall come to pass, that as the LORD rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the LORD will rejoice over you to destroy you, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it." (Deuteronomy 28:63)

Comment- J.W.

If the religious mind believes that God represents a loving God, then one must wonder about God, as described in the Bible, who would rejoice to destroy some of his creations.

Should we hold honor to an insane God? The Bible assures us that God possess an evil spirit with hate, and full of wrath, and here he rejoices in destruction! God appears completely devoid of any wit or humor; a mental state that psychologists have observed in many schizophrenics.

God 'The Jealous'

"For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God: Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods,

and one call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice And thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters so a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods. Thou shalt make thee no molten gods." (Exodus 34:14-16)

Comment- J.W.

Verse 14 (among other verses of the Bible) makes it abundantly clear that this God not only feels jealous but the Bible names him Jealous.

Why an all powerful God should feel jealous of his creations simply because they believed in other gods remains unclear. Could it mean that other gods exist as well as the Hebrew god or that the other gods do a better job?

It appears that many Christians fail to heed this explicit command in verse 16 to not make molten gods. Many Christians use plastic Jesus' or molten statuettes of Christ tortured and nailed to a Cross (Jesus, supposedly God in human form).

God's Fiery Serpents

"And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread. And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died." (Numbers 21:5-6)

Comment- J.W.

The Israelites began to complain against God about their miserable condition in the wilderness. So what did their loving God do? Their Jealous god sent fiery serpents to cause even more misery and death!

Serpents, usually regarded as the Devil, appears to have come from the direct will of God here. Do God and Satan work together as a team? Let us hope not!

Actually, in ancient cultures the snake represented a symbol of the Goddess. Many times a priestess of a Goddess temple would use snakes in their rituals. Sometimes a snake bite could cause hallucinations, or by their beliefs-- 'prophetic visions.'

Much of the Old Testament describes the Israelites overtaking the goddess cultures and destroying their cities. They thoroughly eliminated the goddess religions and replaced them with their male god religion; they even turned the Scripture words of the goddess into masculine terms. Nowhere does the word 'goddess' appear in the Old Testament, yet many times, when you see the word 'gods,' it actually refers to goddesses.

Sending fear into the hearts of the Israelites concerning the goddess, gave power to their own male god. Thus, Numbers 21:8-9 describes Moses control of the goddess symbol by making a fiery serpent; anyone who gets bitten when he sees it, lives. The deaths due to the fiery serpents and then Moses' command from the Lord to save their lives when bitten, must have given their male god a powerful image.

God-- Man Of War

**"The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name."
(Exodus 15:3)**

Comment- J.W.

Note that many fundamentalists who consider every word of the Bible as fact must also concede that God, not only consists of a man, but also a man of war; a killer man of men. With such a belief, how could a Christian people ever divorce war from their lives?

The Midrash Rabbah gives an explanation of The Man God: "His lower half was 'man', but his upper half was as God. [Only the lower half of his body, the seat of the sexual and secretory

organs, belonged to the earthly within him, but his head and heart, given over entirely to holiness, were as divine.]"

God & Satan The Same?

"AND Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel." (I Chronicles 21:1)

"AND again the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he moved David against them to say, Go, number Israel and Judah." (II Samuel 24:1)

Comment- J.W.

Here we have either a contradiction, a grave Biblical error, God and Satan working together, or the unmistakable interpretation that God and Satan "are" one and the same! Given that fundamentalists believe the Bible contains no errors or contradictions, then that leaves only the last two possibilities.

Note that the capitalized word "AND" appears at the beginning of each verse and the message appears at the beginning of each chapter. Note also that the name Lucifer (another name for Satan) means light bearer, or morning star: "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer to the ground..." (Isaiah 14:12)

The last page of the Bible reveals Jesus: "I am the root and offspring of David, and the bright and morning star." (Rev. 22:16)

It should now become clear to the reader why some Satanist cults use the same Bible as the Christians.

(See also evil and good from God: Lamentations 3: 38-39)

I Came Not To Send Peace

"Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

**And a man's foes shall be they of his own household."
(Matthew 10:34-37)**

Comment- J.W.

These words of Jesus confirm the unbelievable notion that Jesus did not come to establish peace, but rather to send the sword and to put man against his family. So much for family values. (*See also Luke 12: 51-53, Luke 12:49 and Luke 14:26.*)

I Come To Send Fire

"I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled?" (Luke 12:49)

"Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division: For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three. The father shall be divided against the son, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law." (Luke 12:51-53)

Comment- J.W.

Jesus did not come to send peace, but rather fire and division among the family. So much for the idea of a pacifist Jesus and the modern concept of "family values." (See also Luke 14:26)

Jesus Not Entirely Good

"And behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? And

he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments." (Matthew 19:16-17)

Comment- J.W.

Most Christians believe that Jesus, not only lived as the Son of God but God in the flesh. Consider that Jesus here calls "none good but one, that is, God," pointing to an entity separate from himself. (also see Matt. 5:48)

Also note that because of the belief that none other than God "is" good suggests that Jesus must not have behaved in an entirely good manner himself.

Some early Gnostic cults (judged as heretics by the orthodox church) believed Jesus as the Devil in the flesh and these verses suggests that He was the opposite of good-- Evil in the disguise of God.

Jesus Reveals Himself

"I am the root and offspring of David, and the bright and morning star." (Revelation 22:16)

Comment

This verse presents the most shocking revelation in the entire Bible. On the very last page, it reveals Jesus as the "bright and morning star". In other words, Lucifer-- Satan!

In Isaiah 14:12, St. Jerome, translated the Hebrew "morning star" into the Latin term "Lucifer" (light bearer), a name commonly ascribed to Satan by Christians, and represents the fallen star, an ancient symbol for the fallen or evil one. The mourning star actually appears as the planet Venus, the brightest "star" in the sky (but the ancients did not know about planets). Venus always appears low on the horizon, thus it looked like a fallen star (fallen angel) to the believers.

Although the Isaiah verse describes the fallen king of Babylon, Christians have, for centuries, ascribed Satan as taking many forms. And what more powerful form could an evil being take than to pretend himself as the saviour of the world? This would certainly explain the hate filled verses attributed to Jesus and the blind followers who inherit ignorance. Thus, a conclusion, based on Christian beliefs of Satan, and the belief in the "inerrancy" of the Bible, one must conclude that Jesus has revealed himself as Satan! **What a Revelation!**

Jesus' servants would fight

"If my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence. " (John 18:36)

Comment- J.W.

Jesus here gives Pilate an excuse for his predicament and, amazingly, makes the claim that his servants would fight for him if this world represented his kingdom. If Jesus' servants would fight for him, then what does that say about a peaceful world on earth or in heaven?

In effect, Jesus here complains about his deliverance to the Jews which would lead to his crucifixion, something that God supposedly ordained for the purpose of salvation of sinners (according to believers). So much for *that* theory!

Pray In The Closet

"And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." (Matthew 6:5-6)

Comment- J.W.

The Religious Right wishes to put into law public prayer. How many Christians realize that the Biblical Jesus strongly opposed public prayer?

The wall of separation between Church and State, actually protects the religious liberties for all of us in the United States and here we have Biblical justification for keeping prayer private.

Promise To Return

Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom. (Matthew 16:28)

Comment- J.W.

Most Christians do not realize that Jesus' promise of his second coming did not apply to our generation or to a future generation, but only to the generation of his time. Also, Jesus said in Rev. 3:11: "Behold I come quickly..."

Those poor people of early Christianity! They thought the texts got written for them, yet Jesus never fulfilled his promise.

Two thousand years have rolled by and yet many "true" believers still await his "quick" return. As any school child knows, anyone who does not keep promises does not deserve our trust, much less our admiration.

Furthermore, to believe in a second coming and the end of the world gives no reason to feel concerned about the long-term future of Earth. Why should we care about the environment,

wars, or suffering if we believe that the world will come to an end soon and that everything will get taken care of in heaven?

Sacrifice or Suicide?

**Ye know that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified.
(Matthew 26:2)**

Comment- J.W.

Many Christians believe that Jesus came to redeem man to God by His death on the cross and to forgive man's sins. In some instances we have the death of Jesus, yet at other times you see the same Christians making the claim that Jesus "lives." Did he actually die or does he live? It cannot work both ways. Even if the death means a temporary death, it gives little value for an eternal sacrifice. But regardless of which way one believes, the morality of such an act deserves questioning.

If Jesus equals a god, then he could not have sacrificed his life, simply because an infinite god cannot die. If Jesus died as just a man, then he committed what we would today call suicide. If anyone believes his prediction in Matt 26:2, then Jesus must have known of his upcoming crucifixion. Jesus fulfilling his own prophecy says nothing about miraculous predictions for such self-fulfilling prophecies tend to carry themselves out. But if he lived as an all powerful being, he would have the power to avert his death. But he chose not to. Instead he consciously allowed his own death. **Suicide**. This act of self destruction, especially in light of a horrible disfigured and bleeding torso nailed to a cross hardly gives an exemplary act of the expression of life. On the contrary, such a scene equals that of horror movies designed to scare people out of their wits. ***Who knows how many children have experienced psychological problems after witnessing an image of a tortured man nailed to a cross at Sunday school.***

(By the way, any graven image of Christ violates the second commandment [Exodus 20:4-5]).

As to the sacrifice, just what did Jesus sacrifice? According to the Bible, he certainly did not sacrifice his life. Jesus went to Heaven, (the right hand side of God) supposedly a place of peace, calm and everlasting joy. But as a man on earth, Jesus received death threats, attempts at stoning, and condemnation by his enemies. Exiting the problems on earth for the joys of heaven hardly gives an example of noble sacrifice. On the contrary, it appears that Jesus escaped his problems, leaving his disciples on their own for a life in perfect heaven. Should we teach our children to emulate such a selfish act?

Did Jesus redeem man from his sacrifice? History shows that violence of man against man has *increased* since the alleged "sacrifice." Wars, terrorist acts, murders, and suicides have occurred because of faithful acts in the name of Jesus. It appears that the sacrifice resembles the curse of a demon rather than that of a savior. Furthermore, believing that his death forgives sins only provides reason for committing them in the first place. Why should anyone feel so disagreeable about committing sins when they feel that Jesus has already forgiven them? No wonder jails contain so many Christian zealots. Regardless of how "Caesar's" laws treat them, they think of themselves as specially forgiven.

The Wrathful God

"Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations also of the hills moved and were shaken, because he was wroth. There went up a smoke out of his nostrils and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it. He bowed the heavens also, and came down: and darkness was under his feet. And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the wings of the wind. He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies." (Psalms 18:7-11)

Comment- J.W.

Consider that these verses describe an angry (wroth) being, spouting smoke and fire, whose secret place consisted of darkness. This devilish entity sounds like a description of Satan,

but believe it or not, actually comes from the Bible as describing God.

Wars Must Be

"And when ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars, be ye not troubled: for such things must needs be; but the end shall not be yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be earthquakes in divers places, and there shall be famines and troubles: these are the beginnings of sorrows." (Mark 13:7-8)

Comment- J.W.

Belief in these words can justify any war and atrocity against nations. Yet Jesus here tells us that we should not feel troubled by it as long as we have belief in Him.

When Jesus prophesies about the future, he gives the message that we have no control over our lives other than to choose or not choose a belief in the Lord. With such a message, it should not surprise anyone why the Religious Right does little to strive against war.

Women's Inferior Status in the Bible
The Biblical view of women

The God of the Bible decrees that woman must submit to the dominance of man.

"The social and legal position of an Israelite wife was inferior to the position a wife occupied in the great countries round about... all the texts show that Israelites wanted mainly sons to perpetuate the family line and fortune, and to preserve the ancestral inheritance... A husband could divorce his wife; women on the other hand could not ask for divorce... the wife called her husband Ba'al or master; she also called him adon or lord; she addressed him, in fact, as a slave addressed his master or subject, his king. The Decalogue includes a man's wife among his possessions... all her life she remains a minor. The wife does not inherit from her husband, nor daughters from their father, except when there is no male heir. A vow made by a girl or married woman needs, to be valid, the consent of the father or husband and if this consent is withheld, the vow is null and void. A man had a right to sell his daughter. Women were excluded from the succession."

-Roland de Vaux, archaeologist and priest

Burn the daughter!	Cut off her hand!
Expose her breasts!	Female births get penalty
Female inferiority	Kill the witches!

Jesus will kill children	Moses' mass murder
The wicked woman	Raping and killing
God's OK on abortion	Silence the woman!
Rape my daughter	Stone the woman
"Virgin" mistranslation	Virgin's worth
Wives, submit yourselves!	Women shall not speak
Women's sorrow	Rip up pregnant women

Burn The Daughter!

"And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire." (Leviticus 21:9)

Comment- J.W.

A priest's daughter, if found to have lost her virginity without marriage, can receive the death penalty, but in the form of incineration.

How many fundamentalist priests who so easily condemn others would carry out the burning of their daughters if they found them "whoring"? (*See also Genesis 38:24*)

Cut Off Her Hand!

"When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets: then thou shalt cut off

**her hand, thine eye shall not pity her."
(Deuteronomy 25:11-12)**

Comment- J.W.

A wife would naturally wish to come to the aid of her husband in any way she could if he desperately struggled with an opponent, but the Hebrew law specifically forbade a wife to help her husband in distress if that support consisted of her grabbing the enemy's genitals in an effort to stifle his onslaught. *The penalty?* **Amputation of the hand that fondled the genitals!**

Only in an overly obsessive male dominated culture could men create such atrocious laws. As such, the penis ranked sacrosanct in the minds of men (as it still stands today). If a male lost his penis for any reason, he would lose the right to enter a congregation of God. (See Deuteronomy 23:1)

Female Births Get Penalty

**"Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean."
(Leviticus 12:2)**

**"But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying threescore and six days."
(Leviticus 12:5)**

Comment- J.W.

A woman who gives birth to a child must undergo a purification ritual lest her "uncleanness" contaminate others. This not only entails her isolation, but also payments to priests for the ritual acts. Thus the male dominators had even made birth dirty.

Notice here that if a woman bears a female child, her isolation must last twice as long as that if she gives birth to a male child!
(See also Psalms 51:3-5)

"The Bible and the Church have been the greatest stumbling blocks in the way of woman's emancipation."

--Elizabeth Cady

Stanton

Female Inferiority

"But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God." (1 Corinthians 11:3)

"For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man. Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man." (1 Corinthians 11:8-9)

Comment- J.W.

The Bible's decree of male supremacy has kept woman inferior to men for centuries. For the religious, it comes as a sad fact that a human must have a penis to receive any respect or power within the Church.

All woman should realize that such phrases in the Bible has justified for many Christian men, not only their supremacy but a reason to sexually abuse women. (See also 1 Cor. 14:34-36, 1 Timothy 2:8-15, 1 Peter 3:1-7, Ephesians 5:22-24, Col. 3:18-19)

Jesus Will Kill Children

"Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds. And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the

reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works." (Revelation 2:22-23)

Comment- J.W.

If anyone thinks Jesus represents only a peaceful loving soul, then think again. For an act of adultery, Jesus would kill innocent children for the adultery of others; hardly fair justice, love, or the concern for human beings.

Some apologists claim that "children" refers to the followers of a cult of Jezebel and not to children birthed from Jezebel. However, if this proved the case, the situation would appear even more horrific, for a cult of believers could number in the dozens, hundreds, thousands, or more. The deaths of these multitude of cult believers (which would include children within its membership) would only make the moralistic problem far more atrocious.

"It's interesting to speculate how it developed that in two of the most anti-feminist institutions, the church and the law court, the men are wearing the dresses." --

Flo Kennedy

Kill The Witches

"Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live. Whoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death. He that sacrificeth unto any god, save to the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed." (Exodus 22:18-20)

Comment- J.W.

These verses attest to the power of belief as they led to the slaughter of thousands of defenseless people throughout Europe and the rest of the world.

Understand that these verses not only authorize the executions but they explicitly command them.

Verse 18 justified the burning of women in Europe judged as witches. In early America, the Salem witch trials resulted in the deaths of women and men.

Verse 19 refers to bestiality, a sin considered worthy of death. Christians used verse 20 to justify religious wars, Crusades and the slaughter of unbelievers throughout Europe. And the condemnation of heretics still goes on.

Rape My Daughter

"Behold, here is my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not so vile a thing. But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they knew her, and abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her go." (Judges 19:24-25)

Comment- J.W.

Judges 19 describe a father who offers his virgin daughter to a drunken mob. When the father says "unto this man do not so vile a thing," he makes clear that sexual abuse should never befall a man (meaning him), yet a woman, even his own flesh and blood, or a concubine belonging to a perfect stranger, can receive punishment from men to do what they wish. This attitude against women still persists to this day and we have the Bible, in large part, to thank for this attitude against women.

Verse 25 describes the hours long gang rape of the poor concubine. The Bible gives not one hint of passion or concern for the raped girl. Considering that many people believe that every word in the Bible comes from God, it should not surprise anyone why people still use these verses to justify such atrocities.

Silence The Woman!

"Let the women learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was first formed, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression." (I Timothy 2:11-14)

(See also 1 Cor. 11:3-12, 1 Cor. 14:34-36, 1 Peter 3:1-7, Ephesians 5:22-24, Col. 3:18-19.)

Comment- J.W.

Another case where the Bible makes it quite clear that women live for man and must submit to them.

Stone The Woman!

"If a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, and a man find her in the city, and lie with her;" (Deuteronomy 22:22)

"Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, being in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so thou shalt put away evil from among you."(Deuteronomy 22:24) (Read also Deuteronomy 22: 13-21)

Comment- J.W.

The discovery of a bride lying with another man can yield disastrous results.

If the wife's parents can produce tokens of the damsel's virginity and spread the cloth before the elders of the city, the husband has to pay the bride's father one hundred silver shekels and he may not send his wife back to her parents as long as she lives. But if the bride's virginity does not satisfy the requirements, the husband can get rid of her by letting the men of the city stone her to death.

From a practical level, these designed laws regulating women's virginity protected economic transactions between men rather than for the sake of morality. (See Virgin's Worth below)

"Virgin" Mistranslation

"Therefore the LORD himself shall give you a sign: Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." (Isaiah 7:14)

Comment- J.W.

Perhaps the most famous mistranslation of the Bible, the word virgin here comes from a mistranslated Greek word for virgin.

The original Hebrew version uses the word "almah" which means "young woman" which may or may not refer to a virgin. Of course the context of the original Hebrew Isaiah does not refer to a virgin at all, as scholars the world over agree, but only refers to a young woman.

Later, the author of Matthew 1:22-23, quoted from the mistranslated Isaiah version, and thus the error turned into a world-wide belief.

Today a few of the modern bibles such as the Revised Standard Version, have corrected this mistranslation and have replaced the word virgin with "young woman." (Isaiah 7:14, RSV)

Apparently either God makes errors or the Bible does not come from God, but rather from fallible men.

Virgin's Worth

"If a man find a damsel that is a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found; Then the man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty shekels of silvers, and she shall be his

wife; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his days." (Deuteronomy 22:28-29)

Comment- J.W.

The belief some get about the Biblical law leads them to think that it represented a great advancement in morality. However, if we look at this law in the social and economic context, it becomes evident that it did not come from any moral ground, but rather to protect men's property rights of their wives and daughters.

This law says that since an unmarried girl, a non-virgin, no longer serves as an economically valuable asset, her father must receive compensation. As for the legal requirement of the man that caused the economic problem, his marriage in that society gave him practically unlimited power over their wives. ***Such forced marriage can hardly serve as a concern for the poor girl's welfare.***

Wives, Submit Yourselves!

"Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything." (Ephesians 5:22-24)

Comment- J.W.

These words of Paul describe another instance for the calling of the submission of women to their husbands. Note that the all inclusive "everything" could allow husbands to submit their wives to anything, including rape, beatings, slavery, etc.

(See also 1 Cor. 11:3-12, 1 Cor. 14:34-36, 1 Timothy 2:8-15, 1 Peter 3:1-7, Col. 3:18-19.)

Women Shall Not Speak

"Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church."

(I Corinthians 14:34-35)

Comment- J.W.

If one ever wishes to find an explanation of woman's inferiority to men, one only has to look in the Bible. Paul makes clear and delineates the importance of woman recognizing her place, "ad nauseam."

(See also 1 Cor. 11:3-12, 1 Timothy 2:8-15, 1 Peter 3:1-7, Ephesians 5:22-24, Col. 3:18-19.)

"The bible teaches that women brought sin and death into the world, that she precipitated the fall of the race, that she was arraigned before the judgment seat of Heaven, tried, condemned and sentenced. Marriage for her was to be a condition of bondage, maternity a period suffering and anguish, and in silence and subjection, she was to play the role of a dependent on man's bounty for all her material wants, and for all the information she might desire... Here is the Bible position of woman briefly summed up." --

Elizabeth Cady Stanton

Women's Sorrow

"Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee." (Genesis 3:16)

Comment- J.W.

Not only does the Woman get blamed for the Fall, but God decides to multiply her sorrow, plus, she must submit to her husband like a slave.

Religionists have used this verse as justification and "reason" for the pain and punishment (sin) of childbirth and the sin of mankind. It could not have done as much damage as from belief in Genesis 3:16. Because of the belief in the Fall, countless Christians have branded the entire human race as depraved.

Before the advent of male dominated religions, cultures around the world respected women and worshipped goddesses. The Old Testament records the brutal slaughter of surrounding cultures and slowly throughout the centuries, the goddess religions faded away in place of the belief-system of a jealous, scatological, male war god.

"Christianity teaches that the human race is depraved, fallen, and sinful."

D. James Kennedy

Rip Up Pregnant Women

"Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up." (Hosea 13:16)

Comment- J.W.

Throughout the Bible, God smites those who do not believe in him or those who do not follow his commands. Here we have the grotesque description of infants dashed to pieces and pregnant women ripped up. Whatever rebellious nature an infant's father or mother may have had, it bears no justice to an innocent child or to an unborn fetus who could not possibly have rebelled against God, much less understood him.

Anyone who claims to love such a God, must accept infanticide as one of God's ugly revenges.

(See also Psalms 137:9)

The Wicked Woman

"Give me any plague, but the plague of the heart: and any wickedness, but the wickedness of a woman." (Eccles. 25:13)

"Of the woman came the beginning of sin, and through her we all die." (Eccles. 25:22)

"If she go not as thou wouldest have her, cut her off from thy flesh, and give her a bill of divorce, and let her go." (Eccles. 25: 26)

"The whoredom of a woman may be known in her haughty looks and eyelids. If thy daughter be shameless, keep her in straitly, lest she abuse herself through overmuch liberty." (Eccles. 26:9-10)

"A silent and loving woman is a gift of the Lord: and there is nothing so much worth as a mind well instructed.

A shamefaced and faithful woman is a double grace, and her continent mind cannot be valued." (Eccles. 26:14-15)

"A shameless woman shall be counted as a dog; but she that is shamefaced will fear the Lord." (Eccles.26:25)

"For from garments cometh a moth, and from women wickedness. Better is the churlishness of a man than a courteous woman, a woman, I say, which bringeth shame and reproach." (Eccles. 42:13-14)

Comment- J.W.

Ecclesiasticus of the Apocrypha does not appear in most Bibles. However, in Catholic Bibles, the inferiority of woman still

appears in the verses of Ecclesiasticus. These verses give only a sampling from this book that lowers the status of women.

END OF DARK BIBLE by Jim Walker!!!

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PART TWO

Quotes from the Bible by the compilers: (there are just too many to quote)

Daniel 7:6 -After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it **four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads**; and dominion was given to it.

Revelation 13:2- And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and **his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power**, and his seat, and great authority. (our emphasis)

Comment: No historical records can substantiate that such a creature ever inhabited on earth. There have been many creatures that have become extinct over the centuries, and their remains in one form or another have been discovered. But this kind of leopard with **‘four wings of a fowl’** and with **‘four heads’** has never been seen or discovered. As for Rev 13:2; a beast, with **‘feet of a bear’** **‘mouth of a lion’** and a **‘dragon giving power’** to this kind of animal, has also not been discovered.

This only confirms the truth of those witnesses that said about the people ‘who spoke foreign tongues’ **‘that they were drunk’**. This occurrence is testable, observable and provable even today when one encounters a person who is so drunk that ‘he speaks in a foreign tongue’ (not- understandable) and messes himself when he excretes and urinates in his clothing.

GEN 3:8 And they **heard the voice** of the LORD God walking in the garden in the **cool of the day**; and **Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God** amongst the trees of the garden.

GEN 3:9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, **Where art thou?** (Our emphasis)

Comment: there are 4 factors here to consider:

1. Adam and Eve could hear God ‘walking in the Garden and heard his voice’. This means that God is just like any ordinary human being. He has a mouth through which he speaks, and has legs with which to walk.
2. God could only walk in the garden when it is cool, as it means by implication that when it is hot God cannot go out into the garden. He has no control over the sun.
3. Adam and Eve could hide themselves away from God in a garden, and God could not find them without calling out to

Adam and Eve so that they could expose themselves to God. The fact that the God of the Bible has to go and look for Adam and Eve in the garden proves that this God of the Bible is not omnipresent.

4. If God could not locate Adam and Eve, the only human beings that were in existence at that point in time, in a garden, then what are the chances of him locating individually the billions of people on this earth? Is he going to call out to each one to find him/her? ***Can such a being be accepted as a God?***

Another noteworthy point of this 'original sin' is that according to the Bible **the serpent was the main mastermind and culprit** as it encouraged Adam and Eve to eat the '**knowledge fruit**'. The Bible then states that as punishment, the 3 culprits were punished as follows:

- Adam, Eve and the serpent were banished from paradise
- Eve was to bear children with pain
- The serpent was to **crawl** as it's legs were cut off

Now we can understand the punishment to Adam and Eve, but what we can infer about the serpent is:

- The serpent had **legs to walk**; and these were now **cut off as punishment**. According to the Bible **it could talk as well, as it informed Adam to eat the 'knowledge fruit'**. So far no such serpent which can talk has been found on earth by scientists.
- As the serpent was the prime culprit, the off-springs of the serpent should have been the ones to carry the 'original sin', and not Adam. So there would have been no need for the crucifixion and atoning of sins by Jesus as Adam and Eve were not to be blamed!

GENUINE CHRISTIANS ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE

According to the criteria laid down in the Bible, there are no genuine Christians in the world. let us rather quote verbatim from the Bible to substantiate our saying so:

✓ *Mark 16:17-And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;*

✓ *Mark 16:18- They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.*

✓ *Matthew 17:20- And Jesus said unto them, ...If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.*

So far we have not met a genuine Christian as defined in the Bible i.e. verses of Mark and Matthew.

As for the ‘MIRACLE WORKERS’ in Christendom, this is what your Bible says:

- i. *MATTHEW 7:22- Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?*
- ii. *MATTHEW 7:23- And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.*
- iii. *MARK 7:7- Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.*

THE Salvation Question

Christians claim that SALVATION is only THROUGH THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS.

“According to the Christian belief, the purpose of Jesus Christ's mission and appearance on earth was twofold: to give expression to his love for mankind and to sacrifice himself for its sake.

Now it must be remembered that it is a Christian doctrine, that God, out of His love for mankind, so contrived for their salvation that He transferred the sins of all the rebellious billions of human beings, the unbelieving, and the wicked among mankind to Jesus, His own beloved son, and that to free the world of those sins He cursed him and hung him on the tree of curse⁴, the Cross, in lieu of them.

And if it be true as Christians claim that Jesus did so willingly, then it is a deliberate act of committing suicide⁵, thinking that with his death others would attain to salvation, then his condition was extremely pitiable; and this incident is better suppressed rather than made public.

Examining this Christian doctrine with reference to the significance of a curse which has been suggested for Jesus, we have very regretfully to say that in evolving this doctrine the Christians have so insulted Jesus that probably no other people in the world have insulted their prophet or apostle. This doctrine makes Jesus a cursed person, though for three days only, as it is part of the Christian belief. If Jesus be not regarded as one accursed, Redemption and Sacrifice, all according to the Christian belief falls to the ground. This curse so to say is the main support of all these doctrines.

⁴ (*Deuteronomy 21:22-23*): “And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree: his body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; (for he that is hanged is accursed of God;)

⁵ **Suicide: Meaning from the Oxford Pocket Dictionary -1977 Edition printed in Great Britain:** person who intentionally kills himself; intentional self slaughter; action destructive to one's own interest

The assertions that Jesus was sent to this world for the love of mankind and that he sacrificed himself for mankind's sake are tenable in Christian opinion only when preconditioned by the belief that Jesus was **cursed** because of the sins of the world, and put to death on the tree of **curse**, the Cross. That is why we have indicated before that Jesus Christ's is an **accursed** sacrifice. Sin begot **curse**, which in turn they assert, gave occasion for the crucifixion. Now the issue needing clarification is whether we can ascribe to a righteous man all the implications of a **curse**.

Clearly the Christians have committed a grievous error in that they admit that Jesus fell under a curse, be it for three days or even less⁶. There is a direct relationship between a **curse** and the heart of the one **accursed** because a man is called **accursed** only when his heart completely **turns away from God**, and he becomes **God's enemy**. That is why the "**Accursed One**" is the name given to **Satan** in the Glorious Qur'aan. Who does not know that to **curse** someone amounts to dismissing him from close relationship, and that this word is spoken of one whose heart has drifted away from love for God and obedience to Him, and who in effect has become **God's enemy! This is the implication of the word "curse" on which all lexicographers are agreed.** Therefore when such is the significance of a curse, and if a **curse** had really descended on Jesus, are we not justified in concluding that he was actually subjected to God's wrath, that the realisation of the Divine person, and the desire to obey Him and love Him had all deserted his heart, and

⁶ According to this dogma of the Church, it becomes clear that the only ANTI-CHRIST known is the Church, as it goes against every teaching of Jesus and all the prophets including Abraham, Noah and Moses. No prophet, including Jesus ever taught a plurality of gods. This is blasphemy and the greatest of sins which will never be forgiven by God, yet this dogma of trinity is taught as the most important of belief in churches around the world when it has no truth even according to the learned scholars of Christianity.

that he had become God's enemy and God his, God loathed him and he loathed God?

Thus, during the days when he was cursed he was actually an unbeliever, a man turned away from God, and His enemy, and had a portion of the Devil in him. To entertain such a belief about Jesus is tantamount to holding him, God forbid, one with or akin to the Devil. To my mind, no God-fearing man will be guilty of such impudence towards a righteous man, much less towards a prophet of God. Only the iniquitous and the unclean of heart will be capable of doing this.

Now, when it is proved false that Jesus Christ's heart was really subjected to curse, one must also admit that this accursed sacrifice - his willing suicide - is also contrary to facts, and a mere concoction devised by unwise man. If salvation can only be first attained by regarding Jesus as Satan, as one turned away from God, and as one loathing God, cursed be such salvation. Had Christians accepted hell for themselves, rather than bestow on one near to God the appellation of Satan, it would have been better for them.

How regrettable that these people rely on such absurd and unclean beliefs for their salvation! On the one hand, they regard Jesus as the Son of God, from God, and one with Him, and on the other they knowingly bestow on him the appellation of Satan. For, as we have already indicated, **curse is directly associated with Satan**, and the "Accursed One" is his name, and one **cursed** is from Satan, united with him. *In short he is himself a Satan.* According to this Christian doctrine therefore, there are discovered in the person of Jesus two types of god-head, Satanic and Divine from out of the Christian doctrine of Trinity. And it amounts to saying that (*we seek refuge in Allah from saying so*) Jesus identified himself with the Devil, united himself with him, and through the **curse** which fell on him he imbibed Satanic traits. That is to say, he disobeyed God, and loathed him, and became his enemy.

Now the Christian missionaries (and the Church) should in fairness declare if this mission attributed to Jesus is possessed of any piety, spiritual or intellectual. Can a doctrine be viler than that for one's own salvation that one should hold a righteous person an enemy of God, disobedient to Him, and the very Devil himself? What need had God, the All-Powerful and the Benevolent, for such an accursed sacrifice, which in reality is suicide? Again, the falsehood of this doctrine becomes further apparent if we view it in the light of the question whether the Jews have also been taught to believe in such an accursed sacrifice.

If this were the only means in God's hands to mankind's salvation, that is to beget a son who should appropriate the **curses** of all transgressors to himself and then be crucified as an **accursed** sacrifice, a mention of it should necessarily have been made in the Torah and other books of the Jewish people. **No intelligent person can accept that the eternal law of God for mankind's salvation should always be changing, having been one in the days of the Torah, another in the days of the Bible, another in days of the prophets born in other parts of the world and yet another in the days of the Qur'aan.** Now, when we study inquiringly and searchingly, we find that there is no inculcation in the Torah and all the other Jewish books concerning this accursed sacrifice.

In pursuance of this claim of **redemption by suicide of Jesus**, Muslim scholars have communicated with many Jewish scholars of great learning and erudition, and inquired of them what they had been taught in the Torah and other books of theirs for mankind's attaining to salvation; whether they were taught to believe in the Redemption and Sacrifice of the Son of God, or something different. They have all replied that the Torah's teachings concerning salvation are in perfect agreement with those of the Qur'aan, that is: one should

turn truly to God and ask of Him forgiveness for one's trespasses, do good deeds with an eye to His pleasure, and far from the urge of selfish passions, observe the limits set by Him, rigorously obey His law, and assiduously carry out His commandments and behests. To attain salvation these are the means repeatedly described in the Torah, the path of which God's holy prophets have always sought to guide the Jews and on deviating from this path punishments have befallen the Israelites.

An intelligent man should now ponder over the matter in all impartiality and detachment of heart. Were this alone the fact that God, having taken Jesus for a son and having burdened him with the curse of others, had declared his accursed sacrifice to be the instrument to mankind's salvation, and that this was the teaching given to the Jews, then why is it that the Jews have concealed this teaching to this day, and are persistent enemies of it? This objection is further strengthened when we find that prophets had all along appeared to resuscitate what the Bani Israel had been taught, and that Moses had explained the teachings of the Torah, not in private, but to large gatherings of thousands of people. How could it, therefore, be possible for the Jews to forget a teaching handed down to them through successive prophets, in spite of the fact that they were enjoined to post the Divine commandments and injunctions on their doors and door-frames, to inscribe them on their sleeves, to teach them to their children, and to commit them to memory?

There appears therefore to be no reason why they should have concealed this teaching, if they were given it, to believe in this accursed sacrifice for their salvation. The Jews are here to this day. They have their learned men, scholars and their books. Lest anyone doubt, let him question them to their face. Does not an intelligent man, who is really seeking after truth stand in need of securing the Jewish evidence also in this regard?

Furthermore, according to Christian belief David had believed in the Redemption of Jesus, yet, they also allege subsequent to his believing (*we seek refuge in Allah from saying so*), David killed an innocent man (2 Samuel ch.12 v.9), committed adultery with his wife, (2 Samuel ch.11 v.4) misappropriated the State funds towards fulfillment of his personal desires, married one hundred wives, and sinned most audaciously every day, repeating the sins till his last days. If, therefore, the accursed sacrifice of Jesus could save a believer from sin, David would not have been so steeped, as they allege in sin. **Likewise, three great-grandmothers of Jesus in the higher ancestral line, according to a story in the Bible, were involved in the sin of adultery (Matthew - genealogy of Jesus).** If belief in the accursed sacrifice of Jesus through his **suicide**, possessed any usefulness in bringing about purification of the spirit, it is apparent that his grandmothers would certainly have made use of it, and would not have been involved in such disgraceful sins.

Similarly, shameful misdeeds were also committed by the disciples of Jesus after they had believed in him. Judas Iscariot sold him away for thirty silver pieces. Peter stood up to his face, and **cursed** him thrice and the rest of the disciples deserted him. Obviously, it is a great sin to **curse** a prophet of God. It is needless to recount here the flood of drink and the storm of adultery which are sweeping over Europe and the USA these days. European and USA newspapers quote thousands of incidents of adultery, rape, sodomy, committed by thousands of Christian priests on a daily basis, and those even in the hierarchy of the Church. The Catholic Church has paid billions of US Dollars in reparations in just the last three decades to prevent charges laid by the aggrieved parties from going to the courts. It clearly follows from all this that this **accursed sacrifice** has been unable to prevent the Christian believers from committing sins"

PART THREE

A discussion between Mr. S. Ibrahim and Mr. Neville Truter at Mr. Ibrahim's home on the 28th March 2008

A snippet of the discussion: Mr. Neville Truter, of Cape Town, a learned scholar of the Bible and a close friend of Prof. Gerhard Nehls, stated in a discussion with Mr. Ibrahim that Adam had sinned because he disobeyed a direct order of God not to eat of the 'knowledge fruit tree'. (We have videoed this hour long discussion and the DVD is available at a cost of R15. Email request to sulaimane@yahoo.com or aymoosa4954@yahoo.com)

In reply, Mr. Ibrahim disagreed with Mr. Truter because **according to the Bible Adam had no knowledge and therefore he was ignorant, so he was innocent of his mistake from a justice point of view.** Only when Adam had eaten of this '**knowledge fruit tree**' did he become aware that he was naked, as before this he was ignorant

of his condition. In fact, according to Mr. Ibrahim's understanding of the situation as reported in the Bible, God was at fault as He punished Adam whilst knowing he was ignorant and had no knowledge. Another confusing fact in this event is that how did Adam know before eating the knowledge fruit that Eve was made from his rib/ bone? The Bible clearly states that he was without knowledge prior to eating the **'knowledge fruit'**!

Mr. Truter had no reply to Mr. Ibrahim's answers.

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Removal of verses from the holy Bible by ordinary men centuries after the Bible was compiled by the Roman Catholic Church!

How many Christians are aware that the following verses have been removed from their Bibles?

In the '***New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures***', Revised Version 1970- C.E Bible , (and the Revised Edition of 1984) published by the **Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society of Pennsylvania** there are a number of verses missing. They have just put a **dash (-)** next to the verse number without any text. *Question:* Could God have revealed His word in a manner that leaves **blank spaces** in His scriptures?

Reference	Chapter	Verse
Mark	7	16
Mark	9	44
Mark	11	26

Mark	15	28
Luke	23	17
John	5	4
Acts	8	37
Acts	15	34
Acts	24	7
Acts	28	29
Romans	16	24
Matthew	17	21
Matthew	18	11
Matthew	23	14

Question: Christians claim that the Old Testament has many prophecies foretelling the events about Jesus. Can that be proven?

Summarized Answer: None of the so-called ‘prophecies’ can be accepted, for the following reasons:

The First Catholic Bible (*Translated On Instructions of Pope Damasus*).

Important note: The foundation of Christianity begins with the Catholics as they were the inventors of the Bible and Christianity. The Protestants and all other sects have taken the Catholics Bible and made changes to it to suit their own ideologies. So no matter what anyone says, the Protestants had nothing to begin with except the Catholic Bible! That is an undeniable fact! Pope Damasus who was the “Pontifex Maximus” for the state entrusted this task to St. Jerome. The following statement bears the information from which this inference is drawn:

“The Vulgate is the translation of the Bible into Latin by St. Jerome (340-420). About 383 A.D, at the request of Pope Damasus, he began revising the Old Latin version of the Gospels according to the Greek. He probably revised the other books of the New Testament at the same time. Beginning about 387 in Bethlehem, he revised the Latin version of the protocanonical books... of the Old Testament according to the Greek in the Hexapla of Origen. About 390 Jerome began a new Latin translation of the whole Old

Testament (except 5 deuterocanonical books) from the original Hebrew. The Vulgate is made up largely of Jerome’s work in these three revisions and versions. Thus in the Vulgate, the New Testament is his first revision according to the Greek. The Psalms are from his revision of the Old Testament according to the Greek in the Hexapla of Origen. The protocanonical books of the Old Testament are from Jerome’s translation of the Hebrew. The five deuterocanonical books omitted by Jerome (Wisdom, Sirach, Baruch, 1 Machabees, 2 Machabees) are from the Old Latin version” [our emphases].⁷

St. Jerome began his task by **revising** the Old Latin version of the **4 Gospels “according to the Greek.”** As reported above, St. Jerome probably revised the Old Latin version to conform to the Greek version. If the Old Latin or Greek versions were divine books, there would not have been a necessity for St. Jerome to **revise** them, as it would have been a relatively simple task merely to translate them from one language to another. It is clear that St. Jerome did not engage himself merely in the translation, but was engaged in the **revision** thereof. The only conclusion that one can draw from the above

⁷ : *Kindly note:* 3 different languages -and Jesus did not speak any of them, as it is stated in the **Catholic Bible Dictionary-page 30-** ‘**Jesus spoke a dialect of ARAMAIC, and this dialect is no longer in existence**’!!!

event is that he must have been instructed to revise the 4 Gospels. The reason could have been that the story of Jesus in the 4 Gospels did not concur with what they wanted it to project. After these revisions were completed, the stories were adjusted to conform to the constitution of the state's ideology.

The New Testament that was now re-invented posed serious problems to the Old Testament, which now also had to be revised (re-invented) to be compatible with that of the New Testament. Approximately in the year 390 C.E, Jerome began the new translation of the whole Old Testament ('except the five the deuterion-canonical books'), 'from the original Hebrew'. **At this point in time all these so called prophecies were inserted into the Old Testament to conform to the New Testament to give it the appearance that they were foretold in the Old Testament. That is why one cannot accept any of these prophecies as they were devised to fit the Old Testament as the New Testament was first revised! Therefore Jerome's work is non-divine and the prophecies are invalid.**

(The correct meaning of the word revise according to The New Collins Concise Dictionary 1985, is "to change or amend", "or to prepare a new story". Therefore Jerome changed or amended/ prepared a new story of the remaining 23 books).

PROTESTANT VIEW POINT OF THE VULGATE

Protestant viewpoint: As has been mentioned earlier, Jerome was assigned to revise the Bible:

"He was commissioned by the then Pope to produce a Latin rendering of the whole of the Bible, and he began by revising for the NT and the Psalter the existing translations

into Latin, the so-called Old Latin texts, to bring them into line with the LXX [Septuagint]”.⁸

Hence, the Vulgate of Jerome became his original work, which means that no other Vulgate existed before his time. It could also mean that the original Vulgate could have existed between 340 and 420 C.E and therefore had to be translated from a non-vowel text if there was one, as the vowel system only emerged in the 7th century C.E or during “C.E 500 to 1000”. However, the point in question is that the Vulgate of Jerome had to be “*in line with the LXX*”. If this is so, then the Vulgate of Jerome is also an unreliable source as the Septuagint is said to have been the work of ‘**ignorant**’⁹ scribes. We therefore deduce that “the existing translations” had to be translations from various Septuagints. Since the latter were written in two distinct periods, viz. 284/5-246/7 BC and 250-100 BC, how do we know whether the Vulgate was “in line” with any of the Septuagints, as so much confusion prevails regarding its (Septuagint) date of origin and its contents?

Instead of following the western mind by branding a person a blatant liar, we think it is better to call one an ***Ignoramus***, ***Jaa'hil*** or ***Jung'li***, especially when a person is ignorant of the facts and makes bold statements.

Question: What about Archeological evidence to prove the Bible as a true document?

Answer: This type of evidence also cannot be accepted, because there is no solid proof. **Whatever artifacts are discovered are inanimate objects that cannot talk.** The Archeologist makes claims that cannot be conclusively proven.

Example: suppose a clay pot is found and the Archeologist makes a claim that this pot is from the household / time period of xyz. Anyone will understand that the pot cannot talk, and this renowned Archeologist

⁸ : Peake's Commentary on the Bible, 1962 edition, 1962, 58c, p. 75.

⁹ : Peake's Commentary on the Bible, 1962 edition, 49c, page 63

knows that no-one will dare to refute him as the pot can never talk! So we state that, that cannot be the basis of proving a God given revelation as is claimed by Christians.

There have been many about turns by these Archeologists when new artifacts are unearthed. So again unfortunately for the Bible these types of evidences cannot be accepted as proof of its divine nature. The only conclusion is that the Bible is a man-made book as the **Arabic Glorious Qur'ân** has stated in Chapter 2, verse 79 more than 1,425 years ago! That is indisputable!

A short extract from “Origin of the Bible from Vatican Authorized Sources” by Mr. Sulaimân Ibrâhîm

Mr. Sulaimân Ibrâhîm has only one aim in life, and that is to expose the truth of the Arabic Glorious Qur'aân as the Final Revelation to humankind from ALLÂH. His philosophy is simple: Study the history of any subject, religious or secular before accepting or rejecting it.

In discussing any topic, produce evidence and ask for evidence; not to make statements nor accept any statements without verifiable support.

In his fifty years of studying of the Bible and the Arabic Glorious Qur'aân he has discovered that the Arabic Glorious Qur'aân's statements in chapter 2 verse 79, and chapter 3 verse 78 are perfect in its accusation of the all the religious scriptures of every religion, including the Bible - Old and new Testament. Herewith follows his analysis proving his claim that the Bible is a forged book by the hands of human beings, and therefore can never be accepted as divinely revealed.

“Then Woe To Those Who Write The Book With Their Own Hands, And Then Say: “This Is From Allâh,” To Traffic With It For A Miserable Price!”... *Al-Qur’ân-chap. 2: verse 79.*

“And there is certainly a party¹⁰ of them who lie about the Book^a that you may consider it to be (a part)¹¹ of the Book **while it is not (a part) of the Book**; and they say, It is from ALLÂH, while it is not from ALLÂH; and they forge a lie against ALLÂH whilst they know”. (*Al-Qur’ân 3: 78*)

Meaning: 78a. Lawwâ lisâna-hû bi-kadhâ, lit., *he twisted the tongue with a thing* implies *he lied about and forged a narration* (*Al-Mufradât fî Gharîb al-Qur’ân* (Dictionary of Qur’ân), by Shaikh Abu-l-Qâsim Al-Husain al-Râghib al-Isfahânî). And *alwâ hi-l-kalâm* means *he turned it* (i.e. *a speech or saying*) *away from its drift or altered or changed it altogether* (*Lisân al-‘Arab* (Dictionary), by ‘Allâmah Abu-l-Fadl Jamâl al-Dîn Muḥammad ibn Mukarram, *Tâj al-‘Arûs* (Dictionary), by Imâm Muḥibb al-Dîn Abu-l-Faïd Murtaḍâ). *Al-Tafsîr al-Kabîr* (Commentary), by Imâm Fakhr al-Dîn Râzî *quotes* the following comment on the words of this verse from Ibn ‘Abbâs: ***What is implied is the reading***

¹⁰ : **During the period of the revelation of the Arabic Glorious Qur’ân there was no written Bible in existence.** It appears from history that one would not be able to pin point who the actual destroyers of the Scriptures were that was brought by Prophet (nabî) Mûsâ and the prophets that followed him; the Scripture brought by nabî ‘Îsâ seems to have been destroyed during the period when the Greek mythology and Roman paganism were strong ideologies, but it seems that the main re-construction of the new Christian ideology happened during (320’s C.E.) Constantine’s reign. The words ‘a party’ refers to a part of the People of the Book who are known today as the Jews and Christians who re-constructed the Bible to make it appear to be similar to what is contained in the **Arabic Glorious Qur’ân**, although there are many great distinct differences between them.

¹¹ : The reason for inserting the words ‘a part’ is because all the different messengers each received the same Divine Message right from the beginning, but the Jews and Christians re-produced by inventing their own which may appear very similar to that which is contained in the **Arabic Glorious Qur’ân**, but it is not the same, as during the period from the beginning of the tenth century the new version began to take a new form which was only completed in the years **1740-1741. (1,740 years after Jesus)**

of the false book. And he says that in Arabic you use different words for an action according to the good or evil of it is to be expressed, and then cites 2:79, which shows that the book which they read was not the book revealed by ALLÂH, but one which they had written with their own hands. The concluding words of this verse also point to the same conclusion: **“They forge a lie against ALLÂH”**.

When the analysis of the accusation in chapter 3 verse 78 is fully realized as a result of research, then the truth should unfold. Let us investigate. What is the truth?

The Catholic Church states:

“Bible, Manuscripts of the. Copies of the Biblical text, written by hand. The text of the Bible has been handed down to us through handwritten and printed copies of the original writings and through translations into various ancient and modern languages. **None of the original manuscripts written by the inspired authors themselves (autographs) is known to exist,** but there are many ancient copies of the originals.”¹²

The Protestants kill TWO BIRDS with one bullet:

“Since no autograph of any book of the Bible has survived, textual criticism plays an important part in Bible study. The material on which *textual critics of the Bible work* includes not only manuscript copies of the books of the Bible in their original languages¹³ but also ancient translations into other languages and

¹² : J. P. O'Connell, et al. The Holy Family Bible Holy Family Edition of the Catholic Bible, from a Practical Dictionary of Biblical and General Catholic Information, Virtue and Company Limited: London, 1959, p. 30.

¹³ : This is a deliberate untruth as no originals are in existence, and even the language that Jesus spoke is unknown. In the Catholic Bible of 1959, on page 30 of the Bible Dictionary at the back, it clearly

quotations of biblical passages by ancient authors” [our emphases].¹⁴

Let us analyze the above statement made by the Protestants in their official New Bible Dictionary, 1978, page 151.

➤ The first sentence makes an unequivocal bold statement **“that no autograph of any book has survived”**. This means without doubt that there are no original books of the Bible.

➤ They claim that **“textual criticism plays an important part in Bible study”**. ‘Textual criticism’ basically means ‘to compile by conjecture’. These textual critics are nameless, and lived centuries after Jesus walked this earth.

➤ The Protestants claim that the ‘manuscripts are in their original languages’. This statement is completely false and should be rejected with contempt. Suffice to say that the manuscripts that are in possession of the (Catholic) church are in Greek and Latin. **The question that needs a truthful answer is: Was Jesus a Greek to have spoken the Greek language; and/or was Jesus a Roman to have spoken the Latin language? Or was Jesus an Israelite prophet who spoke the language of his own people?**

The above important information reveals firstly that the words of chapter 3 verse 78 are the absolute truth about all the books of the Bible! Secondly, it reveals that after the revelation of the **Arabic Glorious Qur’ân**, another **reconstruction** must have taken place which altered their “books” which was followed either in verbal form or in “written

states that the language that Jesus spoke was a dialect of Aramaic, and this dialect is unknown. This makes the above statement of the Protestants false!

¹⁴ : New Bible Dictionary, 1978, p. 151.

form". The important point to understand is the fact that no Bible contains divine words and the evidence submitted by the Protestants clearly reveals that the **Textual Critics** are the ones who **RECONSTRUCTED** the Bible! This truth which the main Christian groups have submitted, must be used in order to understand the following claim of the **Arabic Glorious Qur'ân**.

Subsequently we are told in chapter 5, verse 68 of the Arabic Glorious Qur'ân the following:

Verse 68. "Say: O *People of the Book*, *las-tum 'alâ shay-'in* (i.e. you have nothing of [*guidance*]) till you observe **the *Taurât* and the *Injîl*** and that which is revealed to you (meaning the Qur'ân) from your *Rabb*¹⁵. And surely that which has been revealed to you from your *Rabb* will make many of them increase in inordinacy and disbelief; so grieve not for the disbelieving people."

The first point which one has to understand is the truth of the Qur'ânic statements which are supported by Biblical history! Hence, the rhetorical request is to bring the truth to them. They cannot refer to both books mentioned in the verse (i.e. the *Taurât* and the *Injîl*), as they are not in existence. Hence, all the *People of the Book* (and specifically here the *People of the Book* means the Jews and Christians) have only one alternative and that is to follow the guidance of Al-Qur'ân, which contains everything that is needed today!"

There may have been some oral knowledge of the fact that Prophet Îsâ had preached a message, but that **there was no New Testament Bible in written form anywhere**. In the 15th

¹⁵ : It means: 'The One Who nurtures a thing in such a manner as to make it attain one condition after another until its goal of completion' Mufradât alfâz al-Qur'ân by ar-Râghib al-Isfahânî.

century the reformers translated the Latin Bible into German and other languages. We hold the view that only after the pagans were exposed to the knowledge of the Arabic Glorious Qur'aân did they put their Bible into written form by plagiarizing from the Qur'ân, but because they did not understand the rules governing the two types of verses mentioned in the Qur'ân, they translated the words literally and copied the verses. (Refer to Qur'ân chap 3 v 7 about the two types of verses). This was done 800 to 900 years after the revelation of the Arabic Glorious Qur'ân.

Furthermore, we contend that if there was a written Bible in existence there is no historical evidence to support this as well as the fact that there is no church built during that time as the Europeans were absolutely barbarians who were totally uncivilized and walked about naked. Only when the Muslims came to Europe in the 7th century did they become a little civilized¹⁶. Moreover, if the Bible was in existence then surely they would have been wearing clothes as there are verses in the Bible that speaks of clothes. Any honest person will understand that the claims of the Christians regarding the written Bible etc have to be rejected immediately. **John William Draper** has written an excellent book titled “**History of the Intellectual Development of Europe**” that covers most of these aspects of the gross uncivilized Europeans which the majority of Christians are unaware of.

End of short extract!

¹⁶ The reason we say 'a little civilized'- is that they have still not learned the devastating effect of alcohol, gambling, prostitution, eating of pork and of personal hygiene after visiting the toilet.

(Please log on to the website of the I.PCI to download a free copy of the "Origin of the Bible":

www.ahmed-deedat-co.za)

"The truth that makes men free is for the most part the truth which men prefer not to hear." -- *Herbert Sebastien Agar - (1897-1980) Source: The Time for Greatness, 1942*

BELOW ARE THE COMPILERS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT - THE INFORMATION BELOW ABOUT THE AUTHORS IS TAKEN FROM THE 1971 COLLINS REVISED STANDARD VERSION (PAGES -12-17)

Book	Name of Author
1 st & 2 nd Samuel	Unknown
1 st King & 2 nd King	Unknown
1 st Chronicles & 2 nd Chronicles	Unknown, Probably or likely Collected And Edited By Ezra
Genesis	One Of 5 Books Of Moses
Exodus; Leviticus; Numbers; & Deut	Generally Credited To Moses
Joshua	Major Part Credited To Joshua
Ruth & Judges	Not Definitely Known, Perhaps Samuel
Jonah	Unknown
Erza	Probably Written Or Edited By Ezra
Esther & Job	Unknown

Psalms	Principally David, Though There Are Other Writers
Ecclesiastes	Doubtful, But Commonly Assigned To Solomon
Isaiah	Mainly Credited To Isaiah. Parts May Have Been Written By Others
Habakkuk	Nothing Known Of The Place Or Time Of His Birth

- 1) Newspaper reports about the Bible from the Catholic Church and Bishops- Quote: “Catholic Church casts doubt on parts of Bible. Genesis and Revelation not to be taken literally, Bishops say” ... “The hierarchy of the Roman Catholic Church in Britain has published a document instructing the faithful that some parts of the Bible are not true...”– 9th October 2005 in Sunday Times (SA)
- 2) “All in the Bible not True-Jesuit Priest”. “We should not expect to find in scripture full scientific accuracy or complete historical precision from the Bible.” ...”Father Austin¹⁷ told the Citizen that “we scholars have known it for a long time””. Citizen Newspaper (SA) 11th October 2005- page 9.
- 3) **“The Bible itself was written over a long period, from earliest scriptures to the Book of Revelation, and was written by a number of different people, thieves and adulterers among them, who had opposing views to those who had written before. Close scrutiny of the Bible shows that it can, in places, contradict itself”... (2 Nov 2007. Mr. David**

¹⁷ Is it not criminal not to have informed the ordinary Christian of this what ‘the scholars knew for a long time’? All those who have died in the years gone past had a wrong belief of those books and died as ‘not true believers in the Bible’. Even today **Jerry Falwell, Jimmy Swaggert and Franklin Graham and their ilk** have not been told. What will happen to them if they die without knowing the truth that certain books of the Bible are untrue?

Patrick Moore, from Cape Town-Letters to the editor)

Worth noting: When a person is informed that the water given to him/her to drink is mixed with just 10% of poison, no intelligent person will risk his/her life and drink it even if one is thirsty. How much more caution should one exercise than to stake one's belief on a scripture that is so blatantly corrupted, and so dangerous to one's spiritual well being, and still accept it as the word of God? Is that not plain foolishness?? As shown above the Bible has grave faults and yet Christians do not take heed of these warnings, and do not investigate the truth of the matter, and still accept such a book as God's word.

Question: Can God who is the all knower be deficient in the knowledge of science? Did He not create the natural order? If anyone studies the Arabic Glorious Qur'aan- (translations are available in English and most languages) - then one will see the perfectness of the Word of God in its pristine form with no mistakes, no contradictions, no absurd statements, or anything which is contrary to reason, logic and human understanding!!! And it is in the language it was revealed in!!! Pure Arabic. DARE TO READ!!!

THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS AND ITS ASTONISHING RESULTS!

1. The Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947. For more than 50 years they have **not** been released to the world, except for a few bits and pieces of non-Biblical text.

2. In the context of what has been said, we refer to a newspaper publication dated 22 December 1990:

“The Dead Sea Scrolls have been jealously guarded by Professor John Strugnell, who is responsible for publishing them. Now Professor Strugnell has been fired, their contents may become known soon, Martin Bailey writes from Washington. Dead Sea Scrolls may be revealed.

The truth about the Dead Sea Scrolls looks set to be disclosed, nearly half a century after a Bedouin goat-herd stumbled on a set of papyrus manuscripts hidden in a cave in the Judaen desert. A **scandal** disturbing the tranquil world of academia may finally open up jealously guarded access to the earliest known Biblical texts.

Professor John Strugnell, the editor responsible for publishing the scrolls, was sacked last week after making anti-Semitic remarks to Israeli newspapers.

The Roman Catholic scholar described Judaism as “a horrible religion” and reportedly said that the only solution to the “Jewish problem” was mass conversion to Christianity.

Although he joined the Dead Sea Scrolls team 36 years ago and was promoted to editor in 1987, he has been slow in publishing his findings. Other members of the team have been more productive, but **fewer than half of the 750 scrolls have been published.**

The discovery of the first scrolls in Qumran in 1947 was one of archaeology’s greatest finds. Most of the scrolls were acquired by the Palestine Archaeology Museum, then in the Jordanian part of Jerusalem. Later renamed the Rockefeller Museum, it has been under the control of the Israeli Antiquities Authorities since 1967.

From the start, access to the scrolls was guarded by a handful of scholars who undertook **to publish the texts only once their research had been completed.**

Among those who have been refused access to the texts is Oxford scholar, Professor Geza Vermes, who wrote his first paper on the scrolls in 1949 and has devoted a lifetime's study to Jewish history of the period.

“At their present rate of publication, I have calculated they will **not be finished until the year 2134,**” he says.

Recent events have given 66-year-old Professor Vermes hope that at last he may have a chance of seeing the unpublished texts.

Two months ago, Israeli scholars Emmanuel Tov was appointed co- editor of the scrolls project to speed up publication. This was resisted by Professor Strugnell, who refused to accept his colleague's promotion and shortly afterwards was admitted to hospital with a mysterious illness.

Last Monday, Professor Strugnell was sacked by his team. He has refused to accept his dismissal and technically remains editor until the Israeli Antiquities Authority confirms the sacking. The crisis could shift more of the research to Britain, where the Oxford Centre for Postgraduate Hebrew Studies set up a Qumran Project earlier this year.

The Oxford Centre has acquired a photographic archive of all the Rockefeller Museum's material.

With Professor Strugnell's fall, there are growing hopes that his successor will speed up publication.

Mr. Tov said: “I am optimistic that we will be able to publish before the end of the century” [*Our emphases*].¹⁸

The following are our conclusions based on the above facts.

1. Before the discovery of these Scrolls, the Jews and the Christians were always bitter enemies. Each Easter, the Christians went on a rampage and killed thousands of Jews by accusing them of killing their god Jesus.
2. The Jews set fire to the Church in Palestine where Jesus was born¹⁹. Luckily it was detected in time and put off. The

¹⁸ : Cape Argus: December 22, 1990; evening Newspaper in Cape Town of the Republic of South Africa

burnt marks are still visible when one goes to visit the Church in Palestine. The Christians have preserved the attempted arson of the Jews.

3. When the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947, **VOILA!** All the hatred, animosity and killing of the Jews were abandoned by the Vatican and Protestant Churches. Their followers were told to forget the past and to embrace the Jews as their saviors. Why?

4. The illegitimate state of Israel has flouted hundreds of United Nations resolutions and nothing has been done to bring it to book. It has been given blanket protection by the USA, Britain and France by their vetoes. The Israelis murder innocent helpless Palestinian women, children and old people, and usurp their land continuously. There is not the least condemnation from any Christian nation or Government. Israel uses F 16's fighter jets, helicopter gunships, drones etc to carry on murdering the Palestinians and no outcry, or condemnation by the Christian USA, Britain and France etc.

5. The Vatican has apologized to the Israeli Govt. for its silence during ethnic cleansing that took place in Germany during the late 1930's.

6. The Vatican is now making making overtures to the Protestants so that both the Catholics and Protestants can conspire / connive together to create one joint Bible for their followers. In this way they can claim that there are no longer different versions of Bibles, but just one Bible. The first step has been taken by Pope Benedict XVI, Ratzinger. In the Sunday Times dated 9th March 2008, we quote the headline:

"Martin Luther was Right after all, says Vatican". It continues: "Pope Benedict XVI is to rehabilitate Martin Luther, arguing that he did not intend to split Christianity but only to purge the Church of corrupt practices". .."Cardinal Kasper said: "We have much to learn from Luther"... "In 1517 he (Luther) protested publicly

¹⁹ The Christians made the spot where Jesus is supposed to have been born into a Church. Thousands of visitors go there each year, and the burn marks are clearly visible. Ask those who have been there about this.

against the sale of papal indulgences for the remission of sins in his 95 “Theses”...

The above begs the following questions:

(a) Pope Leo X branded Luther as a “drunken German” in 1571 and each subsequent Pope for over 430 years agreed with Pope Leo X. (b) How can Pope Benedict know after 430 years what Martin Luther intended or what he did not intend? He never met or spoke to the man, so he will never know what he thought so this statement of the Pope is irrational and foolish!

7. We Quote Mr. Richard Falk, the United Nations Commissioner: April 15, 2008-LONDON. The incoming UN human rights investigator in the occupied Palestinian territories insisted on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 that Israeli atrocities against Palestinians were similar to those of Nazi Germany.

“If this kind of situation had existed for instance in the manner in which China was dealing with Tibet or the Sudanese government was dealing with Darfur, I think there would be no reluctance to make that comparison,” *Richard Falk told the BBC News.*

Falk, a world-renowned Jewish-American professor of international law at the prestigious Princeton University, first made the comparison last June. Falk is not the first international figure to liken the Israeli aggressions against Palestinians to the Nazis'.

8. Last August, (2007) a 27-strong group of German bishops visiting occupied al-Quds compared the discriminatory treatment helpless Palestinians suffer under Israel's stifling checkpoints and occupation to infamous Nazi tactics.

9. Israel has a huge stockpile of nuclear bombs but the IAEA is not allowed to inspect its arsenal. Iran has been threatened with war if they do not submit to the USA in scrapping their peaceful nuclear development.

10. Western nations (France, Germany, USA, and Austria etc) pass laws to imprison anyone who dares to deny the holocaust as if it is so vital and imperative to believe it. The number that is claimed by Israel to have died, (six million) has never been proved. Many war historians have disputed the number, but they have been threatened with jail if they did not shut up!

11. *A Loss of Balance on Israel* by Linda McQuaig.

Quote: "To continue to portray Israel as uniquely vulnerable stretches credulity. Yes, crude Palestinian rockets can reach into Israel. But Israel's existence is well-established. **It is one of the world's best-armed countries, with a massive nuclear arsenal and unwavering U.S.**"- (Source: International Clearing House-22/5/2008)

Time To Terminate This Unholy Alliance?

-- In the light of the revelation (divine or not) about Pastor John Hagee's assertion that Hitler was God's agent, is it too much to hope that Jews everywhere, and Jewish Americans especially, will insist that Zionism terminate its unholy alliance with Christian fundamentalism?

This alliance has always seemed to me to be the greatest madness and also the biggest obscenity in the continuing story of conflict in and over Palestine.

Historically speaking, Christian fundamentalists were classic Jew haters on the grounds, they said, that the Jews were the "Christ killers". So what explains Christian fundamentalism's support for Israel right or wrong - support which today includes much of the money to fund Zionism's on-going colonisation of the occupied West Bank? (Source: International Clearing House-24/5/2008)]

(An extract from John Hart's letter)

We can go on and on about the atrocities of the Jews against the Palestinians, but we want to answer the questions posed above.

Answer: This is the most closely guarded secret in the world!!!

The Jews sought after their own homeland for centuries after they were thrown out of Palestine because of their transgressions and continuous gross disobedience to the laws of God, killing of innocents²⁰ which they are still doing today in Palestine, mischief making, and by rejecting prophet Îsā, (who the Christians call Jesus). All this changed overnight when the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947. **In just ONE YEAR** after the discovery of these Scrolls, **in 1948**, the Jews were given their own homeland (Israel) by the Christian nations (England & the USA) and were recognized by the USA- (*President Harry Truman*) just **ONE MINUTE**- after the Jews declared an independent Israel at midnight! **This land belongs to the Palestinians and these Christian nations stole the land of the innocent Palestinians and gave it to the Jews.**

Shortly thereafter all the Europeans –**Christian**-nations recognized Israel.

Our conclusion is that these Scrolls that were discovered and never fully released to the world contain information that nullifies the Bible, the Trinity and the Torah. The Jews are using the Old Testament of the Protestants which contain 39 books. In other words, the Jews have nothing older than any Christian documents in support of their Torah.

It is our contention that these Scrolls contain information that proves the authenticity of Islam and the Arabic Glorious Qur'aan! Since the release of these Scrolls will expose the falsehood of Christianity and Judaism, the Christians and Jews have connived together to keep it

²⁰ See also Deut 28-64/65; Matthew 23-35

secret, and the tradeoff was that the Jews will get their homeland, and the Christians will protect them at any cost, otherwise Judaism and Christianity is doomed as false! So is it any wonder why this unjust war has been started against Islam?

What other reason can there be, for such unflinching support of a nation that commits the worst crimes in modern times against unarmed civilians and no action is taken to stop them? The USA gives them **trillions** of dollars, all their latest armaments, and antagonizes the almost two billion Muslims all over the world in support of approximately ten to fifteen million Jews that were hated by the Christians for centuries, but who are now their closest friends for whom they are prepared to die for and do anything for!

Can anybody put forth a better proposal than this one?

Point of interest to readers: Letters together with the DVD of Mr. Truter's discussion with Mr. Ibrahim were sent to 12 Priests and Pastors on behalf of Mr. S. Ibrahim all over South Africa- Cape Town, Margate, Verulam, Pinetown and Chatsworth in KZN; to Eldorado Park in Gauteng, to hold debates or discussions on the authenticity of the Bible' but to date of publishing this book he has not received any response from not even one of them. Mr. Ibrahim, saidhe was prepared to travel at his expense to their churches to hold these discussions. It seems, says Mr. Ibrahim, that

they are not interested in uncovering the truth although the Bible says clearly “the truth shall set you free”. Even an atheist knows that the truth sets one free from illogical and unreasonable beliefs.

The only condition stipulated by Mr. Ibrahim is that the meeting must be videoed by both parties as proof of what actually transpires. (Contact us on email: sulaimane@yahoo.com for the list to those we send the DVD’s and letters).

“And say: The Truth has come and falsehood vanished. Surely falsehood is ever bound to vanish. And We reveal of the Qur’ân that which is a healing and a mercy to the believers, and it adds only to the perdition of the wrongdoers”. *Al- Zur’aan: chap17 vs. 81-82*

“Woe then to those who write the Book with their hands then say, this is from ALLÂH; so that they may take for it a small price. Woe to them for what their hands write and woe to them for what they earn”. *Al- Zur’ân chap 2 v. 79*

**An extract from “The Catholic Family Bible”
page 30, 1959 Ed.**

“As the Aramaic language spread, it broke up into several dialects and the one current in Galilee was that spoken by Jesus. However, since we have no contemporary literary remains of this dialect, we cannot determine precisely the dialect He spoke. The Syriac language is an important Aramaic dialect in which many theological works of the Eastern Fathers of the Church (e.g., St. Ephrem) were written.”

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