Yahweh, the Almighty God of Israel, is with us

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

Unclassified Topics

Study Prayerfully & Study Carefully

A Final Word of Caution to Preachers!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

AMEN!

In the Son's Name — For the Father's glory. Elder: Max W. Mader

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