

“How Did We Get The Bible? – Pastor Gary Jensen” was posted by secretsunsealed on YouTube on 1/6/21. Gary promptly demonstrates that in addition to having trouble understanding English (though he talks about the Greek), he doesn’t really believe there is an infallible English Bible anywhere in the world. He says he has made “a very detailed study” of how we got the Bible but is amazingly oblivious to what has happened in the new bible versions. I’m surprised that Secrets Unsealed would put a sermon like this on their channel but maybe I shouldn’t be.

The subject is how what we know as the Bible came to us. At 1:13 Pastor Jensen says, “This is a very detailed study as it covers a lot of history and deep theological issues so you’ll need to stay focused and alert.” He recommended that his audience write down key points in his talk. Here are the key points that I wrote down.

His prayer started at 1:35. In his prayer he asks that the “same Holy Spirit that inspired the Bible writers of old to record your words so that we might understand the process that was involved and be assured that the Bible that we have today has come down to us as a complete, authoritative and infallible revelation of your will.” Part of that prayer is a quote is from page vii of the introduction to *The Great Controversy*.

“The Holy Scriptures are to be accepted as an authoritative, infallible revelation of His will. They are the standard of character, the revealer of doctrines, and the test of experience.”

The word “infallible” means no error at all. Seventh-day Adventists know what infallible means when it comes to speaking of the claims of the pope and the Roman Catholic Church; let’s see if brother Jensen (hereafter to be known as Gary) understands what it means relating to the Holy Scriptures.

Gary discussed canonical books. Gary says “canon” comes from a Greek word meaning “a straight rod or a measuring rule.” Around 3:23 he says, “Since a canon is a measuring rod it leads us to think of the Scriptures as a rule for our lives.” He then puts up Galatians 6:16 from two fake bibles but he doesn’t say they’re fake bibles. They are quoted as follows:

“(TEV): ‘As for those who follow this rule (‘kanon’ – Greek) in their lives, may peace and mercy be with them – with them and with all of God’s people.’”

“(AMP): ‘Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule – who discipline themselves and regulate their lives by this principle...’”

“TEV” stands for the Today’s English Version and “AMP” stands for the Amplified Bible. They’re both fake bibles and the TEV is a Roman Catholic Bible. Gary said this was “a very detailed study” but it’s already apparent that he hasn’t studied it enough. To show you what one of the problems is, here is the same verse from the commonly used Protestant Bible.

“And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.” Galatians 6:16 from the King James Version (KJV).

Notice the “discipline” in the quotation of the AMP which is not in the KJV? That verse now supports the Roman Catholic belief in the practice of penance. If you don’t think so, here is one of the definitions of “discipline” from Webster’s Third New International Dictionary (unabridged).

“chastisement self-inflicted as mortification or imposed as a penance or penalty.”

Good job Gary. Remember what you said about “the Bible” being “a complete, authoritative and infallible revelation” of God’s will?

Following this, Gary quotes Philippians 3:16 from another fake bible, the New American Standard Bible.” The NASB, in addition to the TEV, the AMP and some other versions, is a bible that says, in 2 Samuel 21:19, that Elhanan killed Goliath.

Around 4:11 Gary says there were three reasons for establishing the canon. For number one he says it was to “preserve the sacred writings from corruption.” It has been shown in less than five minutes that Gary either doesn’t know what the bibles he has quoted say or he believes that one is just as bad or just as good as another.

At 5:14 Gary asks, “How do we know what portions of scripture are inspired?” He then quotes 2 Timothy 3:16-17 from another fake “the Bible” and emphasizes the fact that it says “all Scripture” is inspired.

“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.” 2 Timothy 3:16 from the New King James Version (NKJV).

Compare this verse with the real Bible and see if there’s a problem.

“All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.” 2 Timothy 3:16-17 from the KJV.

The NKJV says the man of God is to be “complete” while the KJV says he is to be “perfect.” Can you be complete without being perfect? If you’ve ever bought a complete new car with a defect you know that something can be complete without being perfect. In the real Bible, Jesus said in Matthew 5:48, “Be ye therefore perfect, even as your father which is in heaven is perfect.”

Gary says the meaning of the verse is clear until we compare other translations of “the Bible.” He says the American Standard Version (ASV) which is another fake bible says it differently. He also read part of the verse from the New English Bible (NEB). Finally, he allegedly quotes from the Peshitta. Who knows if he was really quoting from the Peshitta since neither I nor most of his audience are conversant in Syriac. Saying what some “Bible” says in a language not many can read, is a time honored tradition among ministers to impress you with their erudition so you will think you have to believe everything they say.

Gary then asks what the difference is between “the King James Version” and the ASV and the NEB. He DID NOT QUOTE the KJV. What he says betrays the fact that he thinks the KJV and the NKJV are the same and they are not. He did notice that there is a problem with the ASV and the NEB (another Roman Catholic bible) so we’ll see what those say.

“Every scripture inspired of God is also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in righteousness: that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work.” 2 Timothy 3:16-17 from the ASV.

“Every inspired scripture has its use for teaching the truth and refuting error, or for reformation of manners and discipline in right living, so that the man who belongs to God may be efficient and equipped for good work of every kind.” 2 timothy 3:16-17 from the NEB.

As Gary says neither the ASV or the NEB say all scripture is inspired. The way they’re worded implies that some scripture may not be inspired. Gary insists that “all” scripture is inspired. Read again the verses about Elhanan killing Goliath from the fake bibles he quoted. Were those scriptures inspired? All of the bibles he has mentioned so far except for the KJV are fakes that contradict themselves and Protestant doctrine. His fake bibles are inspired but the inspiration is from Satan.

At 6:36 Gary asks, “who determines which Scriptures are the inspired Word of God and which are not and what right or authority do that have to make that decision.” Good question Gary. Do you know? He wants to know if God left the decision to individuals, to scholars, to a church council or some denomination to make that determination.

At 6:54 he says, “Now our Catholic friends claim that the Bible is their book.” It is well known that the Roman Catholic Church claims to have the sole authority to determine what “the Bible” means. When you have bibles that contradict themselves and each other, the confused person will feel the need to ask a scholar, a priest or a minister what the fake “Bible” they’re using means. This is entirely to the advantage of the Roman Catholic Church and to Satan.

At 8:27 Gary says, “Latter Day Saints say you really can’t trust the Bible because you don’t know what books belong in it.” I would say you can’t trust fake bibles because they are obviously self contradictory. The reason some books were rejected from what are accepted as Protestant bibles today, was because they contained obvious errors. That’s the same reason fake bibles should be rejected. Sadly, people don’t know enough about what the real Bible says to know where the errors are in the fakes.

At 9:57 Gary reads 2 Peter 1:20-21 from the New International Version (NIV) and says this verse clearly reveals the process of inspiration. He read it from the NIV as follows:

“No prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet’s own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.”

He did omit a few words from the first part of that passage. The first sentence reads, “Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet’s own interpretation.” That is the reading from my NIV with the last copyright date of 1978. The reading is different in my 2011 edition of the NIV. He seemed to say for a few seconds that he preferred what the KJV said but then said he likes the way *The Clear Word* paraphrases verse 21.

“These prophecies never had their origin in the will of man, but are the product of the Holy Spirit. He revealed these thoughts to selected men and women, then guided them as they used their own words in writing down the messages God gave them.”

So Gary likes what *The Clear Word* says. Did you notice that the NIV said “men spoke from God” where *The Clear Word* says “men and women” were guided “as they used their own words” in writing down God’s message? Can you tell me which portions of Scripture were written down by a woman? That’s OK; I couldn’t either.

There was a bible version published in 1995 called the New International Version Inclusive Language edition (NIVI) that caused such an uproar among evangelicals that it was not published in the U.S.A. It was said to be “a feminist seduction of the evangelical church.” I went through the entire book of 2 Corinthians in five different bible versions and counted the number of times certain words that designated the male gender appeared. The results were as follows:

King James Version	39
New King James Version	20
New International Version (2011)	8
<i>The Clear Word for Kids</i>	6
New International Version Inclusive Language	4

The Clear Word is sold as a “Bible” at the Adventist Book Center. In the front of my *The Clear Word for Kids* it says, “This paraphrased Bible was written especially for you!” It was written by Jack J. Blanco, Th.D. who was the former dean of the School of Religion of Southern Adventist University. It is not a Bible but rather a shameful Seventh-day Adventist abomination that is called a Bible.

At 11:04 Gary says, “Now let me ask you a question. Why is it important to believe in the divine origin of the Bible?” His answer is, “Because if we question or deny its Divine authorship and regard it simply the words of men this will inevitably lead us to disregard those things that we don’t understand or that require us to change our behavior.” I couldn’t have said it better. In each of the fake bibles Gary apparently likes, there are things God shouldn’t have said if He is infallible.

At 13:11 Gary says, “Friends, God has not left it up to us to decide what portions of Scripture are inspired and what are not.” Here is an example from the NKJV that so many Seventh-day Adventist ministers love. In fact, I’ve heard Seventh-day Adventist luminaries like Mark Finley and Stephen Bohr read from this very passage with nary a word about how wrong it is. This verse is talking about Lucifer who became Satan.

“You defiled your sanctuaries By the multitude of your iniquities, By the iniquity of your trading; Therefore I brought fire from your midst; it devoured you, And I turned you to ashes upon the earth In the sight of all who saw you.” Ezekiel 28:18 from the NKJV.

“Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick, therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.” Ezekiel 28:18 from the KJV.

The NKJV says Satan has been “turned” (past tense) to ashes. If you believe the NKJV was inspired by God you also have to believe Satan is already dead. The KJV says Satan will be brought to ashes (past tense). I can believe the KJV.

At 13:25 Gary lets fall another pearl. “It all boils down to this. If we can’t trust the authenticity of all the Bible, how can we trust any part of it.” I have to ask, has Gary read ANY bible all the way through? If he has, and if he has made a “detailed study” of the issue as he said he did, unless he has dementia or dyslexia, he should know there are things in the fake bibles he has used that he can’t trust.

At 14:41 Gary read Acts 7:37-38 from the KJV. He then read part of Acts from the TEV and the AMP as if they were also God’s Word. He says, “Moses got his information directly from God.” Here are the verses as quoted by him.

“This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear. This is he, that was in the church in the wilderness with the angel which spake to him in the mount Sina, and with our fathers: who received the lively oracles to give unto us:” Acts 7:37-38 from the KJV.

“And he (Moses) received God’s living messages to pass on to us.” Part of Acts 7:38 from the TEV.

“He received to be handed down to us living oracles – words that still live.” Part of Acts 7:38 from the AMP.

Note that the KJV says “the angel” spoke with Moses in mount Sina. In Exodus 19:18 it says the LORD came down on mount Sinai so “the angel” of Acts 7:38 is the LORD. This agrees with what Gary said, i.e., that “Moses got his information directly from God.”

This brings to mind a verse that we’ll review in all the “Bible” versions Gary apparently likes because he thinks they were all inspired by God.

“For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not have afterward have spoken of another day.” Hebrews 4:8 from the KJV.

[This mention of a rest was not a reference to their entering into Canaan.] For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not speak about another day [of opportunity] after that.” Hebrews 4:8 from the AMP.

“If Joshua had given the people the rest that God had promised, God would not have spoken later about another day.” Hebrews 4:8 from the TEV.

“As important as the rest of Canaan was in Joshua’s time that was ot the rest God had in mind.” Hebrews 4:8 from *The Clear Word for Kids*.

“For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later about another day.” Hebrews 4:8 from the NIV.

“For if Joshua had given them rest, then He would not afterward have spoken of another day.” Hebrews 4:8 from the NKJV.

Notice that the KJV says “Jesus” and all of the other bibles say “Joshua.” The same Greek word that was translated “Joshua” in all the fake bibles was translated “Jesus” thirteen other times just in the book of Hebrews in those same bibles. Why would a translator do that?

“Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day. If ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts. For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not have afterward have spoken of another day.” Hebrews 4:8 from the KJV.

“For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is his also. The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land. O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker. For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the

sheep of his hand. To day if ye will hear his voice, Harden not your heart, as in the provocation, and as the day of temptation in the wilderness:" Psalms 95:3-8.

In Hebrews 4:8 Paul is quoting part of Psalms 95 where he says today "if ye will hear his voice, Harden not your hearts." Perhaps to make Jehovah's Witnesses happy, Joshua has been substituted for Jesus in Hebrews 4:8. If that hadn't been done, the inevitable conclusion would be that Jesus was the God that led the Children of Israel and that Jesus was the "angel" spoken of in Acts 7:37-38.

Around 18:21 Gary quotes from the NIV. Following this he quotes the Moffatt translation apparently thinking it's an authoritative source of Scripture. The Moffatt translation is a nearly forgotten fake bible that says Satan has been turned to ashes in Ezekiel 28:18 and has replaced Jesus with Joshua in Hebrews 4:8. James Moffatt's translation also says that the Israelites crossed the "Reed sea" instead of the "Red sea." Since a Reed sea wouldn't be very deep, the Israelites crossing it wasn't much of a miracle. I can hardly wait to see if Gary will come up with any other hardly used fake "Bible" versions to inspire us.

At 19:03 Gary says, "A question that is frequently asked with regard to the accuracy of the biblical text is this. How do we know that the bibles we have today have come down to us without any substantive changes?" I would ask Gary, the paid professional purveyor of God's Word, how he could be so clueless as not to know there have been substantive changes in what are marketed as "God's Word."

At 19:23 Gary says, "The eighth article of faith of the Mormon Church says, 'we believe the Bible to be the inspired Word of God as far as it is translated correctly.' Thus implying that the Bible is incomplete and is full of errors." Well Gary, some of the bibles you have used have missing verses; I would call that incomplete. The NIV has about 60,000 fewer words than the KJV which means to me that it's especially incomplete. All of the bibles he has used also have a liberal dose of other errors. If you wish to learn about other errors in the new "Bible" versions, I have provided much additional useful information on SatanIsDead.com, InfallibleBible.com, SabbathSchoolGuide.com and AdventistsToday.com.

Gary says the Mormons and Jehovah's Witnesses have their own version of the bible. I believe Mormons use the KJV but in addition use the Book of Mormon and believe it is just as inspired as the KJV. The Jehovah's Witness do have their own version of the bible. Homosexuals also have their own bible version called the Queen James Version and it's a far better bible than the NKJV.

Around 19:46 Gary mentions the King James, the New King James, the New International Version and the New American Standard Bible and calls them "recognized versions." He then asks, "Is there any way of proving the Bible is free from error?" He then says, "Yes there is." I can hardly wait. He quotes Psalms 12:7 where it says, "Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever." Following that he quotes Psalms 12:6 where it says, "The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times." He then says the NIV "renders it flawless."

The NIV which has "flawless" in Psalms 12:6, has wording in verse 7 Gary might not like.

"You, LORD, will keep the needy safe and will protect us forever from the wicked."
Psalms 12:7 from the NIV.

The part about God preserving his words "for ever" is gone from the NIV. Just a few minutes before this Gary said it's not up to us to decide what portions of Scripture are inspired. If I believed that and wished to show that error crept in over the years, I could use the NIV to prove God's words were flawless when given to Moses, etc., but they weren't necessarily flawless now.

Gary quotes Proverbs 30:5 from the KJV where it says “every word of God is pure.” We’ve seen some quotations from some of the bibles Gary thinks are God’s word. Are they all pure? Gary says, “This means that the whole of Scripture is free from all falsehood and error. Free from the mistakes and mixtures of men.”

Around 23:04 Gary mentions another fake bible, the Septuagint, which he claims confirms the veracity of bibles today. The Septuagint was allegedly a Greek translation of the complete Hebrew Scriptures made before the time of Christ. There are at least three different Septuagints and all were written after Jesus and the apostles were dead. If you wish to know more about the Septuagint, I’d suggest reading some of the references listed on SatanIsDead.com.

At 29:32 Gary shares seven reasons the Apocrypha should be rejected. I could share one or two hundred reasons why the fake bibles he has used in this lecture should be rejected. He wanted to make sure his listener wrote down these pearls of wisdom to share with their “Catholic friends.” The Apocryphal books should be rejected but so should Gary’s fake bibles.

At 33:24 Gary says the Apocryphal books are in the Catholic bible because they support Catholic doctrine. It’s entirely possible that he doesn’t know the TEV and NEB are Catholic bibles. Gary apparently doesn’t know that bibles such as the fake bibles he has used also support Catholic doctrine. Don’t think so?

“then the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment.” 2 Peter 2:9 from the NKJV.

“The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished.” 2 Peter 2:9 from the KJV.

To be “under punishment” means you are being punished. The NKJV in 2 Peter 2:9 teaches that at death the unjust are punished while waiting for the judgment; that punishment would be in either hell or purgatory. The KJV says the unjust are reserved “unto” the judgment which means they won’t be punished until they have been judged.

Around 36:06 Gary starts discussing “a dangerous heresy known as Gnosticism” and explains that the Gnostics believed God didn’t become incarnate; i.e., He didn’t come in the flesh. According to Gnostics, Jesus only appeared to have a human body and that deity inhabited his body at His baptism and departed His body before he died. He then quoted from parts of 1 John 4:1-3 from the TEV which he thinks shows Jesus as deity became an actual man.

“My dear friends, do not believe all who claim to have the Spirit, but test them to find out if the spirit they have comes from God. For many false prophets have gone out everywhere. This is how you will be able to know whether it is God’s Spirit: anyone who acknowledges that Jesus Christ came as a human being has the Spirit who comes from God. But anyone who denies this about Jesus does not have the Spirit from God. The spirit that he has is from the Enemy of Christ; you heard that it would come, and now it is here in the world already.” 1 John 4:1-3 from the TEV.

“Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is

that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come: and even now already is it in the world.” 1 John 4:1-3 from the KJV.

The TEV says Jesus “came” (past tense) as a human being while the KJV says Jesus “is come” (present tense). In other words, according to the TEV, Jesus was a human being at one time but isn’t necessarily human now. The TEV in this passage supports the Gnostic doctrine that deity departed Jesus’ body before he died and that Jesus is not human at this time. One other thing; you will not find “antichrist” named anywhere in the TEV.

“And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? And why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.” Luke 24:36-39 from the KJV.

There are different errors in different bibles with various results. Probably the worst result is a decreased confidence in the Scriptures. Many are probably not aware that there are significant differences in the readings in different editions various bibles. Different readings give a minister the option of using different verses in several bible versions to support a particular doctrine such as the unconscious state of the dead. When ministers use different bibles because they like what they say, their flock believes they can do the same. When different versions are used in church, Sabbath School, etc., various important passages are not reinforced well in the mind.

At 39:38 Gary says he likes the way The Living Bible paraphrases some verses. Are we supposed to accept a “Bible” just because Gary likes what it says? If so, why would it be wrong for me to pick any bible out there because I liked what said? Some people may like this passage from The Living Bible.

“In those days, and even afterwards, when the evil beings from the spirit world were sexually involved with human women, their children became giants, of whom so many legends are told.” Genesis 6:4 from The Living Bible.

The Living Bible teaches that fallen angels copulated with humans who then had children; some people would like that. The Living Bible is another Roman Catholic Bible.

Around 45:10 Gary says a Gnostic gospel says Jesus preached to the dead while in the tomb. Gary believes that isn’t true and thinks it’s a reason said Gnostic gospel should be rejected. Here is a passage from one of the bibles he called a “recognized” version.

“For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits—to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water.” 1 Peter 3:18-20 from the NIV.

“For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.” 1 Peter 3:18-20 from the KJV.

The NIV clearly teaches that Jesus, after his resurrection, preached to spirits of the wicked who had died at the time of the flood. That indicates those who were wicked when they died can still be saved. If the wicked dead couldn't still have salvation, there would have been no reason for Jesus to preach to them. The KJV in saying "by the Spirit" is speaking of the Holy Spirit and goes on to say that "by" said Holy Spirit He preached to the wicked that lived before the flood and are currently in prison. The KJV does not teach that the wicked who died can be saved nor that they are conscious when they are dead.

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