

“How to Read the Bible! – 10 TIPS” was posted on YouTube by Hope Through Prophecy on 5/2/20 with Dustin Pestlin speaking.

Starting right out of the gate Dustin says, “The Bible is the inspired Word of God.” I fully agree with that statement as long as he is speaking of the Protestant English Bible. Keep in mind that God said:

“The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep them O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.” Psalms 12:6-7.

Did God not keep his promise to “preserve” His “pure words” forever? I assume that since Dustin is preaching a Seventh-day Adventist message he believes Ellen White’s writings were inspired by the Holy Ghost. Or, maybe he doesn’t believe that. If he does, he should carefully consider the following quotations:

“God never contradicts Himself.” *Selected Messages Book One* page 162.

“Man is fallible, but God’s Word is infallible.” *Selected Messages Book One* page 416.

Keep in mind that “infallible” means no possibility of error; that means NO mistakes at all.

Around 34:08 Dustin says he believes Bible translators have “done a wonderful job” and then goes on to say, regarding the Bible that “it’s not perfect.” He says “there’s nothing like hearing it in the original language” as if anyone could do that and understand it. He says “the original language has a deeper meaning.” Keep in mind that Ellen G. White ONLY understood ENGLISH and when she said God’s Word is infallible, she was speaking of the ENGLISH Bible. She never referred to Greek or Hebrew as a way to get the “deeper meaning” of the Holy Scriptures. Once again, infallible means NO mistakes.

The sage observations continue. Dustin says the original language “has different nuances that the new languages doesn’t have” and that knowing Greek and Hebrew gives you “an extra tool in your tool belt.” Dustin then admits he doesn’t know Greek and Hebrew. So Dustin, who doesn’t know Greek or Hebrew, is telling you the “original” language had “different nuances.” How does Dustin know that?

Dustin advises the use of a Strong’s Concordance to understand the meaning of the original language. A Strong’s Concordance is very useful in looking up Bible verses but to depend on it to help you edit the English Protestant Bible will not lead you in the right way. Dustin, the amateur Greek and Hebrew scholar, also recommends e-Sword; the KJV Plus version in particular, to find out what God said in the original language. He may not be familiar with the term GIGO; Garbage In Garbage Out. The

Bible isn't perfect but a concordance is perfect? Is it possible that Bible skeptics have attempted to change the meaning of what the real Bible said by putting corrupt definitions of Greek and Hebrew words in concordances? Not only is it possible but it has been done. Satan's whole purpose in sponsoring corrupt bibles and concordances is to obscure and change what God said.

If you come to something in your Bible you can't understand, Dustin advises seeking counsel with an advisor or spiritual leader. He then says, "But be careful because ultimately the authority is the Word of God." OK, your English Bible, the "Word of God," isn't perfect and you're supposed to go to someone who also doesn't have a perfect Bible in order to know what God said? Good luck with that.

Dustin is right; he doesn't have a perfect Bible. The verses he posts are from the New King James Version which has self contradictions and other errors.

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