

# Reformation Is an Ever On-Going Battle

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*The Reformation Movement is an ever-on-going battle to stand firm in the defense of the Bible and to reject false teachings and corruption.*

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## Description

Timothy Tow preaches on the ongoing battle of Reformation, emphasizing the prevalence of false Christs and prophets in the end times as signs of Jesus' Second Coming. He highlights the historical significance of the 16th Century Reformation initiated by Martin Luther, which led to a revival in the church and the spread of truth across Europe. Tow warns against the infiltration of false teachings, exemplified by Westcott and Hort's corrupt text that birthed numerous misleading Bible versions, advocating for the preservation and defense of the King James Bible as the faithful English translation of God's Word.

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## Transcript

Text: Matt 24:4-14, 24

The subject assigned to me by your pastor on this 10th Anniversary Thanksgiving of Maranatha B-P Church is "The Biblical Basis for the Continuance of the 16th Century Reformation Movement." To simplify it, allow me to restate, "Reformation is an Ever-On-Going Battle."

During these end-times in which we live, false Christs and false prophets will arise, as thrice stated by our Lord in the Olivet Discourse. These are signs of His Second Coming. "For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. . . And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. . . For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect" (Matt 24:5, 11, 24).

Not only false Christs and false prophets, Satan, like the Monkey-god with his 72 changing tricks, comes into our midst disguised also as apostles, teachers, spirits, brethren and witnesses (II Cor 11:13; II Pet 2:1; I Jn 4:1; II Cor 22:26, Mk 14:57) but they are all false. For this reason do you know that there is a preponderance of warnings against false Christs over the positive injunction to preach the Gospel? There is one Saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ, but 100 counterfeits. Reformation is our ever-on-going battle against false Christs and prophets, more so in these last days.

When Luther nailed the 95 theses on the door of the Castle Church of Wittenburg on Oct 31, 1517 and precipitated the 16th Century Reformation, all the false teachings of the Roman Catholic Church crumbled to the ground. The 16th Century Reformation, according to historians, was the greatest revival that ever came upon the church. It let loose a tidal wave for the truth that swept over all the nations of Europe .

The revolutionary results of the 16th Century Reformation brought by Luther were celebrated 400 years after Luther's birth (1483) in a way that "surpassed in extent and enthusiasm everything that has in any age been rendered to the memory of a mortal man," records Sanford Cyclopaedia of Religious Knowledge. "All denominations, all classes, all institutions throughout every country in the world in which blessings of the Reformation have penetrated united spontaneously in celebrating his personal merits, and his illustrious service in religion and progress, and raised him to a pedestal of fame which stands without a rival, and which can never perish. It was the grateful tribute of the modern world to him who is, humanly speaking, acknowledged as its creator. No man," says Prof. Philip Schaff, "has been so much honoured; no man, save the apostles, deserves so much to be held in grateful remembrance as Martin Luther."

1883 was the year of this world-wide celebration of Luther's birth. While the church universal was commemorating the 400th birthday of one who brought in the 16th Century Reformation, there had infiltrated into the Church of England two of Satan's agents, Westcott and Hort. Jude describes them as men crept in unawares who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ (Jude 4).

Westcott and Hort were two Cambridge Greek scholars who wormed their way up the English Church . Through their machinations they managed in 1870 to change the time-honoured Textus Receptus (Received Text) from which the King James (Authorised) Bible was translated. By substituting with their corrupt text, they got their new translation through, viz., the Revised Version. Being the fruit of a corrupt tree this Revised Version of 1881 died a diseased death in the earlier part of the 20th Century. (But the KJB goes on forever.)

What are some of the poisons exuding from their evil fruit? Westcott and Hort changed, substituted or deleted from the Received Text 10,000 words and scissored off big passages of the Bible like the last 12 verses of Mark and the passage of the woman taken in adultery (Jn 7:53 - 8:11). The total contents of the Bible slashed away amounted to I and II Peter. From Westcott and Hort's new corrupt text have been translated during the last 50 years the 100 new versions, which are rightly called "perversions".

Now there had arisen two Church Councils at the mid-Twentieth Century. The World Council of Churches which is the movement of modernist churchmen whose aim is to reunite the Protestant Church with the Roman Catholic and finally to unite with all human religions. The other is the International Council of Christian Churches, a Bible-believing Fundamentalist Christian Church Council to separate from the WCC and to uphold the principles of the 16th Century Reformation.

The WCC champions the corrupt W&H text and its translations, such as the Revised Standard Version (RSV) and the New International Version (NIV), but the ICCC stands for the King James (Authorised) Version. At the 50th Anniversary of the ICCC in Amsterdam 1998 a Resolution for the KJV in opposition to the W&H corrupt translations such as the NIV was passed. This has greatly strengthened the KJV in its battle with the NIV.

Hitherto fundamental Bible Colleges and Theological Seminaries have defended the KJV, especially Bob Jones University . Both Bob Sr and his son used only the KJV in their school curriculum. By the third

generation BJU succumbs to Westcott and Hort. They have also taken to task KJV-only supporters and castigated them (and us) as being "unqualified", "immature", and a "cancerous sore." While BJU has taken to task KJV-only supporters, the paradox is that Dr Ian Paisley who is friend of BJU and a prominent leader of the World Congress of Fundamentals, side by side with his friend the late Dr Bob Jones Jr, declares,

"I believe the Bible is the verbally inspired Word of the living God and because the Authorised Version is a faithful English translation of the original Hebrew of the Old Testament and the original Greek of the New Testament, it is the very Word of God in my mother tongue. Being a translation does not alter one iota of its integrity, inerrancy and infallibility as God's Word. ...

I believe this English Authorized Version is unsurpassably pre-eminent over and above all other English translations, because like the blessed Joseph there rests upon it the blessing of the heavens above and of the deep that lieth under (Genesis 49:25).

I cry out "There is none like that, give it me," and in so doing I nail the Satanic lie that the Authorized Version is outdated, outmoded, mistranslated, a relic of the past and only defended by stupid, unlearned, untaught obscurantists.

As its deriders and revilers pass on to the judgment of the thrice holy God whose revelation they despise, the Old Book,

"Incomparable in its faithfulness, majestic in its language, and inexhaustible in its spiritual fruitfulness, continues to reveal to millions the matchless grace of Him whose name is THE WORD OF GOD, and who is crowned with glory and honour."

I believe this Book will always be the unsurpassable pre-eminent English version of the Holy Bible and no other can ever take its place.

To seek to dislodge this Book from its rightful pre-eminent place is the act of the enemy, and what is attempted to put in its place is an intruder - an imposter - a pretender - a usurper."

BJU Fundamentalists, who have defended the KJV are now veered to the enemy's side. This all the more alerts us to stand firm in the Reformation Movement--from the 16th Century to the 20th, and now into the 21st which is focussed on "The Battle for the Bible." "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3). Therefore, let us pay heed to the injunction that "Reformation is an ever-on-going Battle " till our Lord returns. "For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth" (II Cor 13:8). Amen.

The King James Bible vs. The Hundred Versions

The Bible is the Word of God,

Inerrant and infallible,

Preserved for us from age to age.

It stands God's Rock unmoveable.

God has preserved it in the Text  
Received by His Church everywhere.  
Through good and faithful men of God,  
The King James Bible without peer.  
Three hundred years it reigned supreme,  
Until Westcott and Hort crept in,  
And sowed the tares amongst the wheat,  
And for a time they seemed to win.  
When our foe comes in like a flood,  
God's Spirit will withstand his wiles.  
He tears away his 'holy' mask,  
That veils the Deadly Duo's guiles.  
Westcott started the Hermes Club,  
Reputed Homosexuals Den.  
He branched to delve into the dead,  
A Ghost Club and Bogey by name.  
With Hort his closest Siamese Twin,  
He worshipped Mary in secret.  
They found in Darwin and in Freud  
Good friends so sincere and so sweet.  
But they called Christians fanatics.  
They denied Jesus' Virgin Birth,  
His Blood and His Resurrection,  
Creation and Fall but a myth.  
Who shall ascend my holy hill?  
He that has clean hands and pure heart.  
With unclean hands and heart impure,

Can Westcott and Hort have a part?

An influx of hundred versions:

By Westcott and Hort's corrupt text,

Shall never stand up to the test,

That makes King James Bible the best.

The Bible is the Word of God,

Inerrant and infallible,

Preserved for us from age to age,

It stands God's Rock unmoveable.

(May be sung to the tune of Uxbridge)

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