PRAISE HIM! PRAISE HIM!

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Jesus our blessed Redeemer

Sing, O Earth His wonderful love proclaim

Hail Him! Hail Him! highest archangels in glory

Strength and honor give to His holy name

Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children

In His arms He carries them all day long

Chorus:

Praise Him! Praise Him! tell of His excellent greatness
Praise Him! Praise Him! ever in joyful song!

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Jesus our blessed Redeemer

For our sins He suffered and bled and died

He our Rock, our hope of eternal salvation

Hail Him! Hail Him! Jesus the crucified

Sound His praises, Jesus who bore our sorrows

Love unbounded, wonderful, deep and strong

Chorus:

Praise Him! Praise Him! tell of His excellent greatness
Praise Him! Praise Him! ever in joyful song!

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Jesus our blessed Redeemer

Heav'nly portals loud with hosannas ring

Jesus, Savior, reigneth forever and ever

Crown Him! Crown Him! Prophet and priest and King

Christ is coming, over the world victorious

Pow'r and glory unto the Lord belong

Chorus:

Praise Him! Praise Him! tell of His excellent greatness
Praise Him! Praise Him! ever in joyful song!

Why I'm Not KJVO (Pt. 2) Myth Busting

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Last time we saw:

- 1. KJVO proponents violate one of the most fundamental laws found in God's Word: The assurance of the establishment and preservation of truth is best done not with 1 witness but with a multiplicity of witnesses.
- 2. This was true for the Greek manuiscripts, and it is just a true as for English translations. Multiple faithful translations based on Textus Receptus don't replace the KJV but add to its multiplicity, thereby bringing us into its fullness.

- 1. Myth #1: In order to be assured of the preservation of God's Word we need a single inerrant English translation. Last time we showed that this is accomplished best:
 - a. Not by a singularity—1, single perfect and inerrant translation.
 - b. But by a multiplicity of errant translation witnesses that when taken together begin to self-correct variants due to human weakness and fallibility, ultimately forming an inerrant perfect representation of the group.
 - c. As one person put it: Yes, the KJV but the KJV not in singularity but in multiplicity.

- 3. Trying and failing, and then pretending, that the KJV is something it isn't and never claimed to be (just read the translators preface to the KJV), doesn't give true security, it gives false security. It replaces reality with fantasy.
 - --And this is always careless and dangerous!

- 4. Myth #2: If you don't follow th KJVO, then you don't have the complete word of God in your language! Is the underlying assumption true?
 - a. Did God really promise that everyone everywhere would always have the complete Word of God in their own language?
 - b. Or is this just manipulation by fear to deceive the hearts of the simple to gain followers?
 - c. It certainly sounds good to us, and it is the way we think it ought to work ... But is it real?

- 5. Can God work through an Incomplete copy of His Word? What about Israel, His Own people? They did have it, then they lost it, and when they got it back, it was incomplete (just the Law). But God used that incomplete copy of His Word to carry out His plan and purpose! (2 Kgs. 22-23).
 - a. There was supposed to be a multiple copies of the Law, handed down from king to king, forming a collection of a multiplicity of copies (Deut. 17:18; 31:24).
 - b. But because of unbelief they neglected it and lost it until Hilkiah found it in the Temple. But even then it was not the complete Word of God—only the Law, perhaps only Deut.
 - c. Yet God was able even with only 1 incomplete Bible brought about a "revival" to Israel.

- d. The point is that God can work to accomplish salvation, growth and maturity, edification and establishment even with an incomplete Bible. Even KJVO proponents I think would agree that many get saved and grow even when using the Gospel of John or the NIV or other modern translations.
 - --While not ideal, it is also not end of the world.
 - --God can still accomplish His purpose.
- 6. God can work through errant and incomplete copies of His Word, and He does it all the time. People have been saved from one memory verse or a little passage in a tract or modern bibles based on a corrupt text. Most of humanity has never had access to the complete Word of God. But God could work anyway.

- 7. Which leads us to another aspect of Myth #3: God promised to miraculously provide an inerrant translation to everyone everywhere in their own language.
 - a. FACT: To date, the complete Bible has been translated into 670 languages and just the New Testament in 1,521 more.
 Sounds pretty good doesn't it.

b. It does until we realize that this is only a small fraction of the 7,099 known (let alone unknown) languages spoken in the world today (let alone throughout past history). This means that 90% of the languages do not have the complete Word of God and only 20-25% of languages have even an incomplete copy.

- c. Put another way: In the world today, even after the advent of the printing press—it would be even more dramatic proportionally higher throughout past history!—at least 20% of the world's population (1.5+ billion people) and 75% of the world's languages do not have the complete Bible. But many of these people are saved and edified regardless.
- d. In short, if God really promised that everyone everywhere would have His complete Word in their own language, He has failed miserably.

- 8. Myth #4: Well, then, perhaps God didn't promise the Bible in every language but especially in the English language, which has now become the world's language, in the KJV.
 - a. But this is very self-absorbed and prejudicial. English may be called the "world's language" but it is only so for the rich and famous powerful and educated world, businessmen and the elite not the vast majority of the population, the poor, powerless and uneducated world.

- --Of India's total pop. of 1.35 BILLION only 200 million speak even rudimentary modern English let alone old English.
- --Of the 1.4 BILLION Chinese only 10 million speak even rudimentary English.
- --Of Bangladesh's 165 million only 20 million speak English.
- --Of 147 million Russians only 5 million speak English.
- --Even in richer European countries only about a third of the pop. Speaks English.
- --In fact of the 7.8 BILLION people on earth today only 1.1 billion speak rudimentary modern English, which is less than15%. So much for most of the world's plowboys in the field—unless, of course, you are one of the very few fortunate plowboys who speak fluent English.

- 9. While the ideal would be that God miraculously provide every person, nation and language with a complete Bible, this isn't the way He decided to do it, and He doesn't need to do it that way.
 - --We might not like this. We may want to pretend it is otherwise. It may not make sense to us with our limited human wisdom. We might think we could run things better than God; we can wish God had done it the way we think it ought to have been done ... If only we ran the universe ...

- 10. But this is the way God did it. God providentially worked through history to produce a multiplicity of Greek copies that agree with each other and work together to auto-correct, forming a collection that gives maximum assurance of the preservation of His Word.
 - a. This is THE unique production of history that because of its size and age—hundreds of pages and thousands of years--that no other work in history can compare to.
 - b.Now the world's people, nations and languages need only go to it to receive God's Word through faithful translations, bringing the multiplicity of the Greek manuscripts into their languages preferably in multiplicity, through multiple translations and translation helps.
 - c.This is God's way. Therefore, IT IS THE BEST WAY TO PRESERVE HIS WORD WITH THE HIGHEST ASSURANCE!

	Date Written	Earliest Copy	Approximate Time Span between original & copy	Number of Copies	Accuracy of Copies
Lucretius	died 55 or 53 B.C.		1100 yrs	2	
Pliny	A.D. 61-113	A.D. 850	750 yrs	7	
Plato	427-347 B.C.	A.D. 900	1200 yrs	7	_
Demosthenes	4th Cent. B.C.	A.D. 1100	800 yrs	8	
Herodotus	480-425 B.C.	A.D. 900	1300 yrs	8	_
Suetonius	A.D. 75-160	A.D. 950	800 yrs	8	
Thucydides	460-400 B.C.	A.D. 900	1300 yrs	8	
Euripides	480-406 B.C.	A.D. 1100	1300 yrs	9	
Aristophanes	450-385 B.C.	A.D. 900	1200	10	
Caesar	100-44 B.C.	A.D. 900	1000	10	
Livy	59 BC-AD 17		???	20	
Tacitus	circa A.D. 100	A.D. 1100	1000 yrs	20	
Aristotle	384-322 B.C.	A.D. 1100	1400	49	
Sophocles	496-406 B.C.	A.D. 1000	1400 yrs	193	
Homer (Iliad)	900 B.C.	400 B.C.	500 yrs	643	95%
New Testament		2nd Cent. A.D. (c. A.D. 130 f.)	less than 100 years	5600	99.5%

10. How multiplicity of translations helps to bring us into the fullness of God's Word:

VERSE	KJV (Textus Receptus)	NKJV (Textus Receptus)	INTERLINEAR (TR)	MAJORITY TEXT
Eph. 1:5; Jn. 1:12	Adoption of children sons of God	Adoption as sons Children of God	Huiothesian—son- placed Teknachildren	Adoption of sons Children of God
Jn. 2:11, 23	Miracles	signs	Semia—signs	signs
Rom. 16:26	Scriptures of the prophets	Prophetic Scriptures	Word is adj.=Scriptures prophetic	Prophetic Scriptures
Rom. 16:25-27	End of letter	End of letter	End of letter	After Rom. 14:23
Eph. 3:9	Fellowship	Fellowship	Koinonia—fellowship	Oikonomian dispensation
1 Jn. 5:7-8	Full verses	Full verses	Full verses	Missing 7b-8a.

- 11.KJVO is an error brought into Mid-Acts Dispensationalism from the Mormon cult and mainline denominations in the 1980s that is an over-reaction to the threat of the 1-2 manuscripts of the Critical Text and the perceived but erroneous threat of the NKJV (pub. 1982).
 - a. It has caused enough damage to the Grace Movement.
 - b. it is time to send it back to the Mormon cult and the denominations.
 - c. Yes, KJV but KJV in MULTIPLICITY not singularity.

- 12. What is the appeal of KJVO?
 - a. It gives the hearts of the simple perceived assurance while in reality it steers them away from true assurance. It is just false assurance, which is worse than no assurance at all. And Paul warns against this in Rom. 16:17-18.
 - b. To the proud it gives an opportunity to the flesh for boasting
 —we are better than everyone else.
- 13. And that's why I'M NOT KJVO.
 - a. It is obviously not true.
 - b. If you ONLY use the KJV (which no one really does, not even the KJVO proponents) you will miss out on some of God's Truth.

- 13. Adding anything to Pauline Grace Mystery Truth corrupts and pollutes it, diminishes it, and ultimately destroys it. When we add something, ANYTHING, to Pauline Grace we may preach Christ, but as Paul explains in Phil. 1:15-18, it is to preach Christ of contention not sincerely, of envy and strife--in pretense adding affliction to Paul's bonds. It is good that Christ is preached, but it is not "in Love," the way God intended.
 - --It envies Paul's ministry, pulling people away from the purity of Pauline Grace Mystery Truth, causing strife and division. It adds things that contend with PGMT, selfishly seeking to gain followers (see Strongs on word contention).

AND THAT'S WHY I'M NOT KJVO!

VICTORY IN JESUS

I heard an old, old story,
how a Savior came from glory
How He gave His life on Calvary
to save a wretch like me
I heard about His groaning,
of His precious blood's atoning
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory

CHORUS: O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever
He sought me and bought me,
with His redeeming blood
He loved me ere I knew Him,
and all my love is due Him
He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood

VICTORY IN JESUS

I heard about His healing,
Of His cleansing pow'r revealing
How He made the lame to walk again
And caused the blind to see
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus,
come heal my broken spirit,"
And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory

CHORUS: O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever
He sought me and bought me,
with His redeeming blood
He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him
He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood

VICTORY IN JESUS

I heard about a mansion, He has built for me in glory And I heard about the streets of gold, Beyond the crystal sea About the angels singing and the old redemption story And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory! **CHORUS:** O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever He sought me and bought me, with His redeeming blood He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood