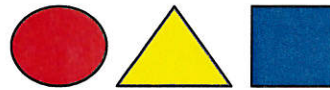


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REVIEW

- Things that are **different** are **NOT** the **same**.
- God promised to **preserve** His **WORDS** – and God **cannot** lie. Titus 1:2; Hebrews 6:17-18
- **1 perfect Book** has **more authority** than **many** books that do not say the same thing.



Every Word
Matters!

VS



Different Words
mean different things!

KEY Question: If God **could** preserve **1** English Bible, **would** He choose to do it?



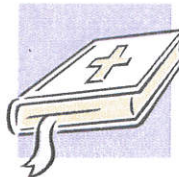
1 Corinthians 14:33 – For God is not the author of confusion... (So...who then is?!?!?)

WEEK 3: GOD CHOSE TO NAME HIS SON “THE WORD”

Consider this – we would never say that Jesus had some *small* imperfections...



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QUESTION: What was at stake when God chose to call His Son Jesus Christ... **The Word?!?!?**

God calls both Jesus and the Holy Bible the “**Word**”...

- Jesus is called the “Word” in **John 1:1** and **1 John 5:7** and **Revelation 19:13**
- The Holy Bible is called the “Word” in **Ephesians 6:17** and **2 Timothy 2:9** and **Hebrews 4:12**

Often times, many times, dozens of times in the Bible when God is talking about the “word” you cannot tell the difference between the **living** Word and the **written** Word – for example:

1 Peter 1:23 – Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, **by the word of God**, which liveth and abideth for ever.

Hebrews 4:13 – Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in **his sight**: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

Revelation 6:9 – And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain **for the word of God**, and for the testimony which they held:

We are not talking about similarities, parallels, or closeness but **sameness, unity, and equality**.

EXAMPLES

- Jesus is called “pure” in Job 4:17 & 1 John 3:3; The Word is called “pure” in Ps 19:8 & Prov 30:5
- Jesus is called “holy” in Revelation 3:7; The Word is called “holy” in 2 Timothy 3:15 & Romans 1:2
- Jesus is called “perfect” in Heb 5:9 & Matt 5:48; The Word is called “perfect” in Ps 19:7 & Jas 1:25
- Jesus is called “truth” in John 14:6; The Word is called “truth” in John 17:17

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THOUGHT PROVOKING QUESTIONS

- ✓ If I were to say that Jesus Christ was less than perfect...what would you say?
- ✓ If I were to say that Jesus Christ had some flaws – not big ones – just minor...what would you say?

...yet people do that to the written Word all the time!

...the Book that reveals Jesus Christ to us!

How do you think God feels about that?!?!

Some of the NAMES of Jesus

Advocate (1 John 2:1)	Lamb Without Blemish (1 Pet. 1:19)
Almighty (Rev. 1:8; Mt. 28:18)	Last Adam (1 Cor. 15:45)
Alpha and Omega (Rev. 1:8; 22:13)	Life (John 14:6; Col. 3:4)
Amen (Rev. 3:14)	Light of the World (John 8:12)
Apostle of our Profession (Heb. 3:1)	Lion of the Tribe of Judah (Rev. 5:5)
Atoning Sacrifice for our Sins (1 John 2:2)	Living One (Rev. 1:18)
Author of Life (Acts 3:15)	Living Stone (1 Pet. 2:4)
Author and Perfecter of our Faith (Heb. 12:2)	Lord (2 Pet. 2:20)
Author of Salvation (Heb. 2:10)	Lord of All (Acts 10:36)
Beginning and End (Rev. 22:13)	Lord of Glory (1 Cor. 2:8)
Blessed and only Potentate (1 Tim. 6:15)	Lord of lords (Rev. 19:16)
Bread of God (John 6:33)	Man from Heaven (1 Cor. 15:48)
Bread of Life (John 6:35; 6:48)	Mediator of the New Covenant (Heb. 9:15)
Bridegroom (Mt. 9:15)	Mighty God (Isa. 9:6)
Capstone (Acts 4:11; 1 Pet. 2:7)	Morning Star (Rev. 22:16)
Chief Cornerstone (Eph. 2:20)	Offspring of David (Rev. 22:16)
Chief Shepherd (1 Pet. 5:4)	Only Begotten Son of God (John 1:18; 1 John 4:9)
Christ (1 John 2:22)	Our Great God and Savior (Titus 2:13)
Creator (John 1:3)	Our Holiness (1 Cor. 1:30)
Deliverer (Rom. 11:26)	Our Husband (2 Cor. 11:2)
Eternal Life (1 John 1:2; 5:20)	Our Protection (2 Thess. 3:3)
Faithful and True (Rev. 19:11)	Our Redemption (1 Cor. 1:30)
Faithful Witness (Rev. 1:5)	Our Righteousness (1 Cor. 1:30)
Faithful and True Witness (Rev. 3:14)	Our Sacrificed Passover Lamb (1 Cor. 5:7)
First and Last (Rev. 1:17; 2:8; 22:13)	Power of God (1 Cor. 1:24)
Firstborn From the Dead (Rev. 1:5)	Precious Cornerstone (1 Pet. 2:6)
Firstborn over all creation (Col. 1:15)	Prophet (Acts 3:22)
Gate (John 10:9)	Rabbi (Mt. 26:25)
God (Jn 1:1; 20:28; Heb 1:8; Rom 9:5; 2 Pet. 1:1; 1 Jn 5:20)	Resurrection and Life (John 11:25)
Good Shepherd (John 10:11,14)	Righteous Branch (Jer. 23:5)
Great Shepherd (Heb. 13:20)	Righteous One (Acts 7:52; 1 John 2:1)
Great High Priest (Heb. 4:14)	Rock (1 Cor. 10:4)
Head of the Church (Eph. 1:22; 4:15; 5:23)	Root of David (Rev. 5:5; 22:16)
Heir of all things (Heb. 1:2)	Ruler of God's Creation (Rev. 3:14)
High Priest (Heb. 2:17)	Ruler of the Kings of the Earth (Rev. 1:5)
Holy and True (Rev. 3:7)	Savior (Eph. 5:23; Titus 1:4; 3:6; 2 Pet. 2:20)
Holy One (Acts 3:14)	Son of David (Lk. 18:39)
Hope (1 Tim. 1:1)	Son of God (John 1:49; Heb. 4:14)
Hope of Glory (Col. 1:27)	Son of Man (Mt. 8:20)
Horn of Salvation (Luke 1:69)	Son of the Most High God (Lk. 1:32)
I Am (John 8:58)	Source of Eternal Salvation for all who obey him (Heb. 5:9)
Image of God (2 Cor. 4:4)	The One Mediator (1 Tim. 2:5)
Immanuel (Mt. 1:23)	The Stone the builders rejected (Acts 4:11)
Judge of the living and the dead (Acts 10:42)	True Bread (John 6:32)
King Eternal (1 Tim. 1:17)	True Light (John 1:9)
King of Israel (John 1:49)	True Vine (John 15:1)
King of the Jews (Mt. 27:11)	Truth (John 1:14; 14:6)
King of kings (1 Tim 6:15; Rev. 19:16)	Way (John 14:6)
King of the Ages (Rev. 15:3)	Wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24)
Lamb (Rev. 13:8)	Word (John 1:1)
Lamb of God (John 1:29)	Word of God (Rev. 19:13)

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KEY TRUTH THIS WEEK: The *living* Word and the *written* Word cannot be separated!

BIBLE STUDY KEYS FOR TODAY

- God has always wanted a Book of ***His words*** for His people in whose pages _____ ***word*** could be trusted as it was ***read*** to His people and to the world.
- God knew that ***if every word could be trusted***, then His ***written*** Word (Book) would be the ***final*** _____ for His people so they would take heed, fear Him and do His will.
- Because this issue is ***so important to God***, He has given us ***His authorization*** to place His ***written*** Word (Book) _____ His name!
- God was so sure about His promise to preserve His ***written*** Word (Book) that He gave it _____ authority, ***equal*** attributes and even the ***same name as His Son*** – ***The Word!***
- As promised, God delivered His final ***written*** Word (Book) ***in English*** 400 years ago – ***the universal language of the last days*** – and gave it the ***English king's authorization*** – ***the highest*** _____ ***authority at that time in history!***
- For 300 years, God's English speaking church gave the English king's ***Authorized Version*** the ***same authority*** as His Son, they trusted ***every word***, and God brought ***revival***.
- However, about 100 years ago, Satan began his subtle attack on the ***authority*** of the ***written*** Word (Book) ***in English*** (just like the garden...“Yea, hath God said?”) and now pastors and church goers alike think that God doesn't care about His ***words*** anymore!

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_____!

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TIME TO THINK

Things that are ***different*** are **NOT** the ***same***.

Luke 23:42

<u>KJV</u>	And he said unto Jesus, Lord , remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.
<u>NIV</u>	Then he said, " Jesus , remember me when you come into your kingdom.*" Footnote: * Some manuscripts come with your kingly power
<u>NASB</u>	And he was saying, " Jesus , remember me when You come in Your kingdom!"
<u>RSV</u>	And he said, " Jesus , remember me when you come into your kingdom."
<u>NKJV</u>	Then he said to Jesus, "Lord," * remember me when You come into Your kingdom." Footnote: * NU-Text reads And he said, "Jesus, remember me.

Why aren't churches preaching "judgment" any more?!?!

The word "judgment"...

...occurs **294** times in 285 verses in the KJV.

...occurs **132** times in 128 verses in the NIV (*taken away 162 times*).

...occurs **158** times in 151 verses in the NASB (*taken away 136 times*).

...occurs **173** times in 166 verses in the RSV (*taken away 121 times*).

...occurs **190** times in 186 verses in the NKJV (*taken away 104 times*).

Rev 22:19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

KEY All I can say is _____! **Beware!**

That old serpent is up to his tricks again. "Yea, hath God said"...saying to the bride of Christ, "Are you sure **judgment** is coming? I thought God was a **loving** God?"