



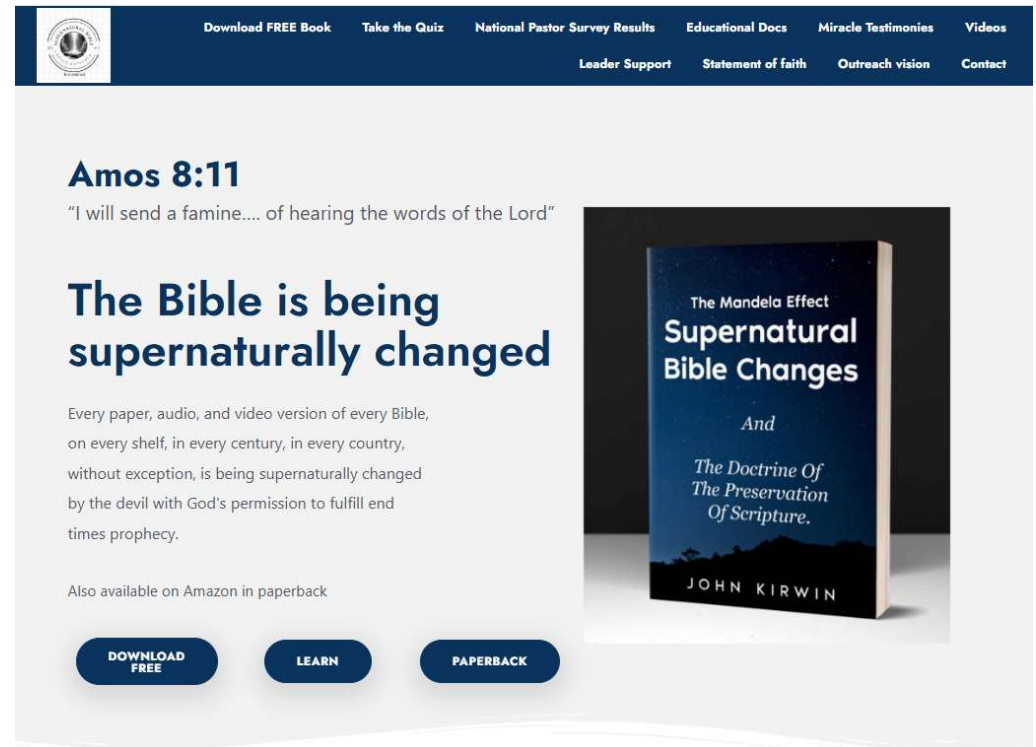
# Supernatural Bible Change Outreach International

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# Mandela Effect - Definition

- The Mandela Effect is a world-wide phenomenon that involves people from all demographics that claim that they are vividly remembering things that somehow now appear differently in reality.
- The depth of the phenomenon lies in the fact that these things that appear to have changed have always existed in their new unfamiliar form. In other words, you can't go back 10 years and find the version everyone remembers. It appears that in the present timeline, these things have never existed.

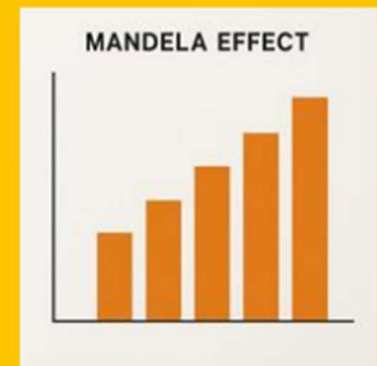
# HOW WIDE SPREAD IS THE MANDELA EFFECT?

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- **INTERNATIONAL SURVEYS**
- **GOOGLE ANALYTICS**
- **GOOGLE TRENDS**
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- **KEYWORD SEARCH RESULTS**

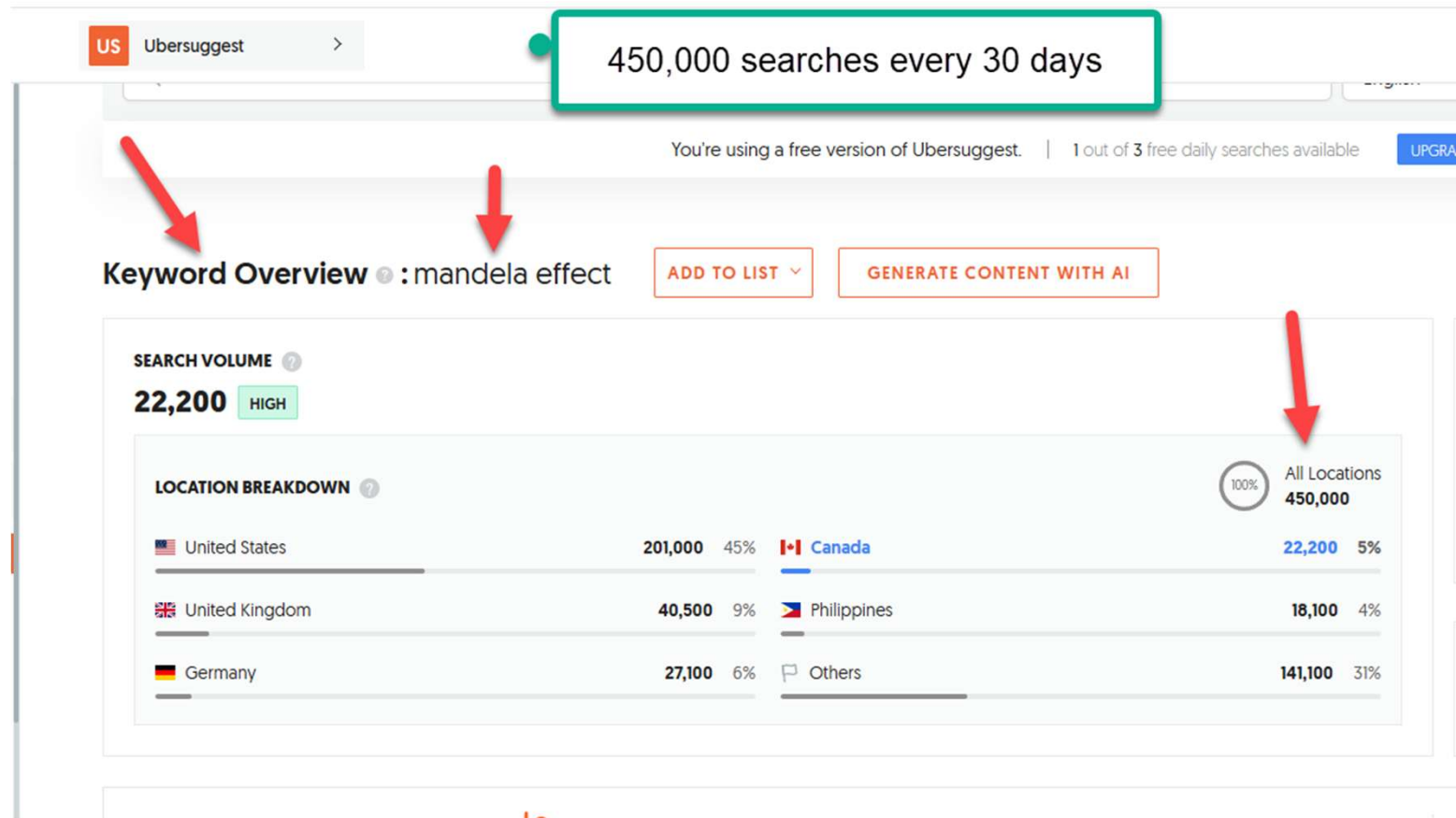
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**IT'S WORLDWIDE**  
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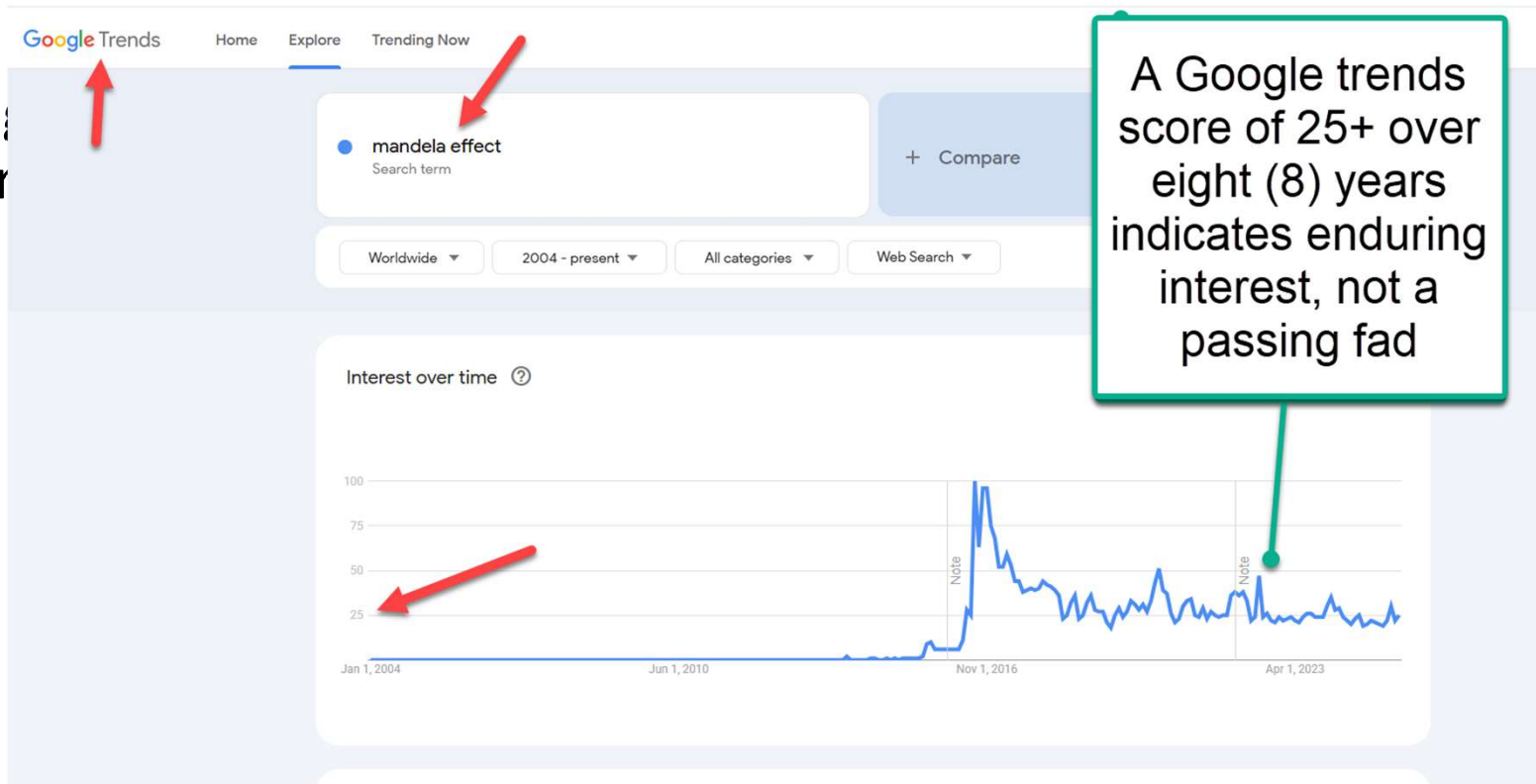
# Google Search term volume for the keyword “Mandela effect”

This puts “Mandela effect” searches in the same league as big psychology terms and trending health topics, not obscure fringe stuff.



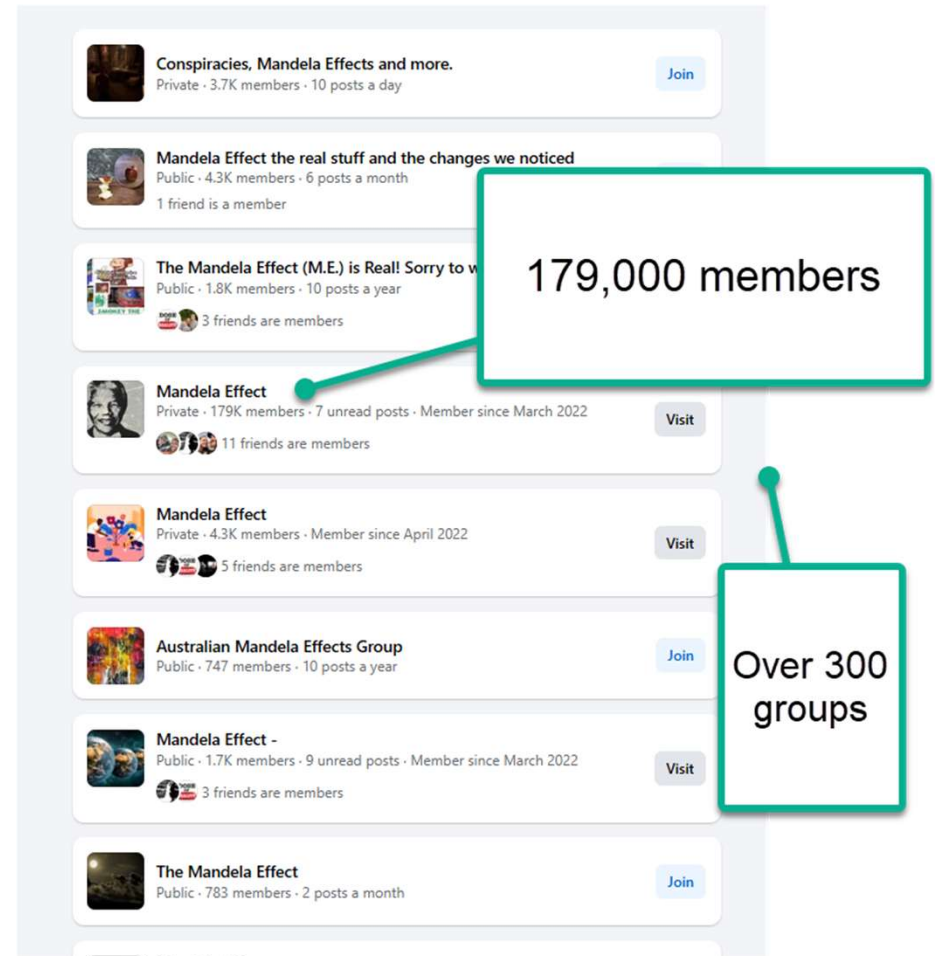
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- Google Trends



# Facebook Communities

There are over 300 active Facebook groups dedicated to discussing Mandela Effect experiences. Some with close to 200,000 members



## Rational explanations

- Human memory is unreliable
- Misremembering
- Implanted thoughts
- Confabulation
- Delusional
- Government psyop
- Photoshopped tricks
- Deceivers / charlatan

## Biblical explanations

- Confused because you are biblically illiterate
- Confused by versions, modernizations, variants, misprints
- Confused by misquotes from pop culture
- The Bible can't change therefore your evidence is irrelevant
- All your data is fraudulent

## Why the evidence-based approach?

- For years, “Supernatural Bible change” discussions have relied on subjective examples: Someone provides a “fill in the blank” memory quiz question, and the participant invariably gets it wrong the exact same way as everyone else. This can be repeated with approximately 15 - 20 familiar passages with virtually anyone that knows their Bible almost without exception. The Christian Bible change community has observed this consistent reaction for 9 years now.
- But once the participant learns that they are incorrect, instead of being shocked, they somehow manage to reframe it as trivial by saying something like, “Oh yeah—now I remember.” So not only do the majority of people get a significant number of familiar passages wrong when they shouldn’t, they also display an irrational indifference to what amounts to a catastrophic memory failure.

# Evidence of a supernaturally changing Bible

## Step 1

- No precedent (Phenomenon)
- Testimony of millions of devout believers
- 2 studies on average amount of misremembering
- 2 studies on repetition
- 2 studies by SBCO Int

## Step 2

- Eliminate confusion by versions, modernizations, variants or misprints
- Eliminate confusion by misquotes from pop culture, movies, songs plaques
- 26 theological reasons why the Bible can change
- Do a Bible quiz
- Biblical paradoxes
- Theological reason (Doctrine of preservation)

## Additional evidence of a supernaturally changing Bible

- Bible prophecy foretelling the event
- Notable figures
- Flip flops
- Residual evidence
- 20 different types of Bible changes

# 20 different types of changes

- Names with eighteen letters
- Word switches
- New countries introduced
- Missing words
- Altered names
- Spelling, grammar, and syntax errors
- Changed stories and new stories
- Biblical paradoxes
- Cut-and-paste duplicates
- Ebonics, emojis, gibberish, and nonsense verses  
Duplicated words
- Massive run-on sentences
- Same Greek or Hebrew word can be translated as two different English words in the same paragraph
- Some changes occur only once, while others change and then change again
- Modern words
- Random capitalization and italics
- Blasphemy, sexual innuendo, ungodly themes
- Unfamiliar content confusing many Christians
- Some changes appear in certain versions but not in the KJV, and vice versa
- Not all changes appear across all versions, adding confusion to the debate
- Changes may appear in one part of the New Testament but not another
- Some changes are in the Old Testament only, or the New Testament only  
Some changes appear in one Gospel, others in all Gospels
- Some changes are doctrinally significant; others seem benign

# Evidence based approach

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***Validating the authenticity of our survey and its results***

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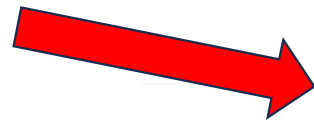
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Abstract

The Mandela effect is an Internet phenomenon describing shared and consistent false memories for specific icons in popular culture. The visual Mandela effect is a Mandela effect specific to visual icons (e.g., the Monopoly Man is falsely remembered as having a monocle) and has not yet been empirically quantified or tested. In Experiment 1 ( $N = 100$  adults), we demonstrated that certain images from popular iconography elicit consistent, specific false memories. In Experiment 2 ( $N = 60$  adults), using eye-tracking-like methods, we found no attentional or visual differences that drive this phenomenon. There is no clear difference in the natural visual experience of these images (Experiment 3), and these errors also occur spontaneously during recall (Experiment 4;  $N = 50$  adults). These results demonstrate that there are certain images for which

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## 1. Seven VME images all showing a specific wrong choice

For the 7 VME images (C-3PO, Fruit of the Loom, Curious George, Monopoly Man, Pikachu, VW logo, Waldo):

- For each of these 7, the choice distribution (correct vs wrong-1 vs wrong-2) was **significantly non-random**:
  - $\chi^2 \geq 6.089$ ,  $p < .01$  for each image. Scribd

If you treat those 7 tests as independent and ask, “What’s the probability that **all seven** would look ‘significant’ just by dumb luck?” you get an upper bound:

$$P(\text{all 7 by chance}) \leq (0.01)^7 = 10^{-14}$$

### Translation:

Under their own null model, the chance that all 7 images would show this kind of “specific wrong answer” pattern **purely by random guessing** is at most **1 in  $10^{14}$**  (about one in a hundred trillion).

VME = “Visual Mandela effect” – Highly correlated false memory

# Why you should accept our data

- If you insist on claiming fraud then use our online Mandela effect Bible quiz and conduct your own research
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## MANDELA EFFECT BIBLE QUIZ

This quiz contains passages that are consistently misremembered in the same way by people that know their Bibles worldwide including pastors.

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# What's the average amount of misremembering?

The following two independent studies found that the average amount of misremembering in any given situation is approximately 25%

Our international survey with 90 respondents and our national pastor's survey with 30 respondents found consistent unified misremembering across multiple passages as high as 93.5%

Explain why respondents in our surveys showed such high rates of misremembering when asked to identify scriptures that are widely believed to be supernaturally changed

- **If you're going to try to delegitimize these studies, ask yourself, do you really believe content experts usually misremember 90% of their content?**
- **Pilot, Doctor, *Pastor***
- **The didn't just misremember, the all misremembered the exact same thing**

# Studies

## Study # 1

Loftus, E. F., & Pickrell, J. E. (1995) –  
“The Formation of False Memories”

**Method:** Participants were presented with narratives of childhood events, some of which were true and one fabricated.

**Result:** Around 25–30% of participants “remembered” the false event as if it actually happened.

**Implication:** False memories for emotionally neutral events are common but still far below the scale reported in Mandela Effect cases.

**Source:** Loftus, E. F., & Pickrell, J. E. (1995). *The formation of false memories*. *Psychiatric Annals*, 25(12), 720–725. [Link to abstract](#)

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Examined effects of misleading post-event information on individuals' recollection and creation of false memories of events. 24 Ss (aged 18–53 yrs) were provided with a brief description of 3 true events and 1 false event that they had supposedly witnessed with a close family member between ages of 4 and 6 yrs. Ss were required to record details of their memories concerning these events. This was followed by 2 successive interviews over 2 wks, in which Ss were asked to rate the clarity of their memory and confidence they felt regarding memory for events. Ss were then debriefed and asked to identify the false events. Ss were able to recall 68% of true events and used more words when describing true memories. During the 1st interview, 75% resisted suggestion about being lost in false events, and continued to resist during 2nd interview. 19 Ss correctly identified false events. Findings provide proof that memory can be altered via suggestion. (PsycINFO Database Record (c) 2016 APA, all rights reserved)

# Studies

## Study # 2


Wade, K. A., Garry, M., Read, J. D., & Lindsay, D. S. (2002) – “A Picture is Worth a Thousand Lies”

**Method:** Participants were given doctored photographs of childhood events (some fabricated) and asked to recall details.

**Result:** About 30% of participants recalled the false events after being exposed to manipulated images.

**Implication:** Visual cues increase false memory formation, but still under 50%, showing typical memory errors are limited compared to Mandela Effect reports.

**Source:** Wade, K. A., Garry, M., Read, J. D., & Lindsay, D. S. (2002). *A picture is worth a thousand lies: Using false photographs to create false childhood memories*. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*, 9(3), 597–603. DOI link



> [Psychon Bull Rev.](#) 2002 Sep;9(3):597-603. doi: 10.3758/bf03196318.

### A picture is worth a thousand lies: using false photographs to create false childhood memories

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#### Abstract

Because image-enhancing technology is readily available, people are frequently exposed to doctored images. However, in prior research on how adults can be led to report false childhood memories, subjects have typically been exposed to personalized and detailed narratives describing false events. Instead, we exposed 20 subjects to a false childhood event via a fake photograph and imagery instructions. Over three interviews, subjects thought about a photograph showing them on a hot air balloon ride and tried to recall the event by using guided-imagery exercises. Fifty percent of the subjects created complete or partial false memories. The results bear on ways in which false memories can be created and also have practical implications for those involved in clinical and legal settings.

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# Your studies are irrelevant, I only go by the word

**Proverbs 24:11** charges you to answer our question when it says “Deliver *those who* are drawn toward death, And hold back *those* stumbling to the slaughter.” Why wouldn’t you answer our question if it could stop us from stumbling to the slaughter.

**James 4:17** says “to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.” God’s word never teaches you should use the word as a reason to hold back your help.

**Prov 3:27** says “Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to act.

“If your so confident in your position, then it should be easy for you to clear up why the content experts in our survey are exhibiting unified misremembering, what’s the cause?”

**Romans 12:16** teaches us that we should ‘condescend to the lowly’ so as a matter of principle you should be willing to clear up our confusion by just explaining what is causing all of this unified misremembering

**Romans 1:18** says that the “wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness;” deflecting a clear, relevant question is the opposite of someone that is in subjection to the word. “If the Bible is your final authority, then aren’t you bound by its teachings on honesty and accountability.

# Repetition is a major contributor to long term memory

The following studies show that repetition is a leading contributor to forming long term memories. Since the average pastor spends an average of 3 hours a day 7 days a week exposed to the correct rendering, and any exposure to misquotes would be a tiny percentage of that if at all, then please explain why such rare and infrequent exposure to misquotes would represent a larger influence on long term memory than the much larger amount of repetition to the correct renderings

- 1) Vlach, H. A., & Sandhofer, C. M. (2012). Distributing Learning Over Time: The Spacing Effect in Children's Acquisition and Generalization of Science Concepts. *Child Development*, 83(4), 1137–1144. 2)
- 2) Karpicke, J. D., & Roediger, H. L. (2007). Repeated retrieval during learning is the key to long-term retention. *Journal of Memory and Language*, 57(2), 151–162.


# Studies – Repetition is major contributor to long term memory

## Vlach & Sandhofer (2012) — *Child Development*


Tested 5–7-year-olds learning science concepts under three schedules: **massed**, **clumped**, and **spaced** lessons. **Spaced** lessons produced **better later generalization** than massed/clumped schedules.

The spacing advantage held for **both simple and complex** concepts (i.e., not limited to easy material).

Takeaway: distributing instruction over time improves **transfer/generalization**, not just short-term recall.



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**Distributing Learning Over Time: The Spacing Effect in Children’s Acquisition and Generalization of Science Concepts**

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# Studies – Repetition is major contributor to long term memory

## Karpicke & Roediger (2007) — *Journal of Memory and Language*

Across experiments, **repeated retrieval (testing)** produced much higher **1-week retention** than additional studying. A key result: **dropping items after one successful recall** hurt long-term retention; **continuing to retrieve** them helped a lot. Simply **restudying** items that had already been recalled added little compared to **more retrieval attempts**.  
Takeaway: long-term retention is driven primarily by **retrieval practice frequency**, not by extra exposure time alone.



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### Repeated retrieval during learning is the key to long-term retention <sup>☆</sup>

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#### Abstract

Tests not only measure the contents of memory, they can also enhance learning and long-term retention. We report two experiments inspired by Tulving's (1967) pioneering work on the effects of testing on multitrial free recall. Subjects learned lists of words across multiple study and test trials and took a final recall test 1 week after learning. In Experiment 1, repeated testing during learning enhanced retention relative to repeated studying, although alternating study and test trials produced the best retention. In Experiment 2, recalled items were dropped from further studying or further testing to investigate how different types of practice affect retention. Repeated study of previously recalled items did not benefit retention relative to dropping those items from further study. However, repeated recall of previously recalled items enhanced retention by more than 100% relative to dropping those items from further testing. Repeated retrieval of information is the key to long-term retention.

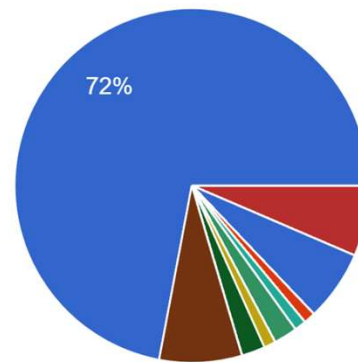
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# SBCO International Mandela Effect Bible survey

- Australia
- Canada
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Germany
- New Zealand
- United Kingdom
- United States

What is your country of residence?

93 responses



- Afghanistan
- Albania
- Algeria
- Andorra
- Angola
- Antigua and Barbuda
- Argentina
- Armenia

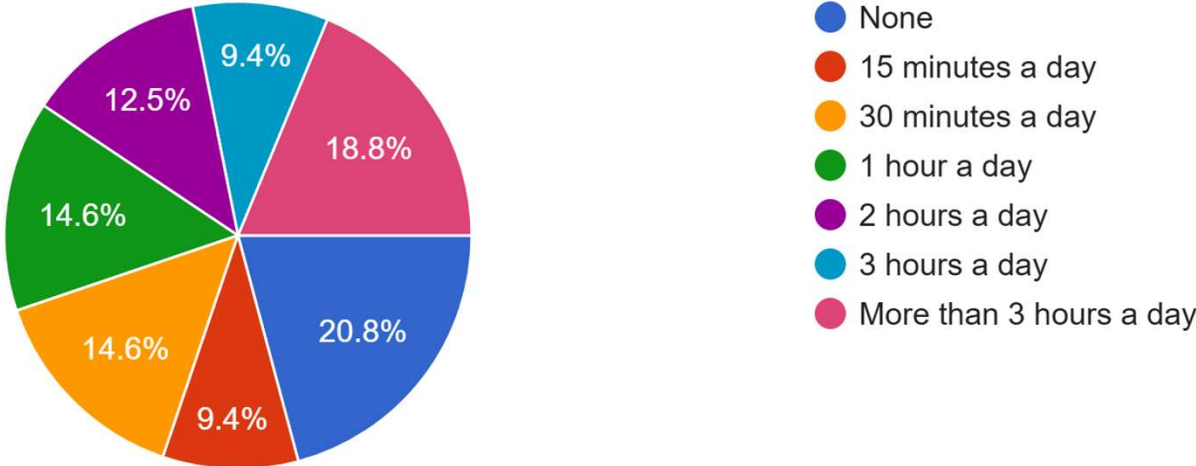
# Mandela Effect Survey Results

Verse	Respondents (n)	% choosing same answer	Common recollection (wrong answer)
Job 1:21	77	97%	giveth / taketh
Exodus 12:23	74	90%	death Angel
Genesis 3:15	8072	85%	bruise / crush
Luke 6:49	76	99%	sand and winds
Matthew 7:1	78	99%	lest
Isaiah 11:6	77	97%	lying
Genesis 8:11	78	94%	olive Branch
Matthew 26:52	76	92%	he that lives by the sword shall die by the sword
Matthew 18:20	77	84%	more
Hosea 4:6	78	87%	perish
2 Corinthians 12:10	76	90%	I am weak / He is strong

21% - None  
9% - 15 minutes a day

How much time do you spend on social media each day?

96 responses

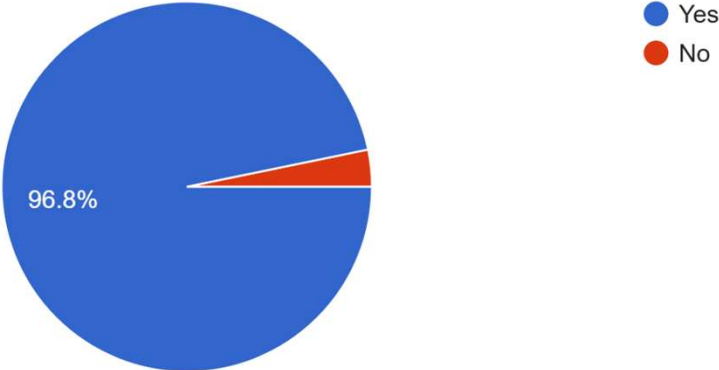


# SBCO National Pastor Mandela Effect Bible survey

Survey area

- United States

Are you a pastor, decon or minister  
31 responses



# National Pastor Survey Results

## National Pastor Bible Quiz

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### Welcome to the Ultimate Bible Memory Quiz For Pastors!

- This quiz tests memory only—not interpretation or meaning. Closed book. No peeking please.
- Most questions are based on passages that are the same in virtually every translation. Answers are multiple choice; therefore, one of the three possible answers will be in your Bible.
- The other questions are King James—only, so the correct answer will appear only in the King James Bible.
- Your score and everyone's results appear at the end—so stick with it to see how you did!

To view your score: Click **"View score"** when finished.

To see all participants' stats: Click **"See previous responses"** when finished.

### Quiz Sections:

- Yes/No – Most Versions (Universal)
- Yes/No – King James Only
- Fill-in-the-Blank – Most Versions (Universal)
- Fill-in-the-Blank – King James Only

"Most Versions" (Universal) includes: - 1611 Cambridge KJV, all five revisions, the 1769 Oxford Edition, ASV, NIV, ISV, NLT, ESV, BSB, BLB, NKJV, NAS, NASB (1995), NASB (1977), LSB, Amplified, CSB, Holman, CEV, ERV, Majority, NET, New Heart, Webster's, Weymouth, World English, LSV, Berean, Young's, Smith's, Douay-Rheims, Catholic Public Domain, NAB, NRSV, Lamsa, Aramaic, Anderson, Godbey, Haweis, Mace, Worrell, Worsley.

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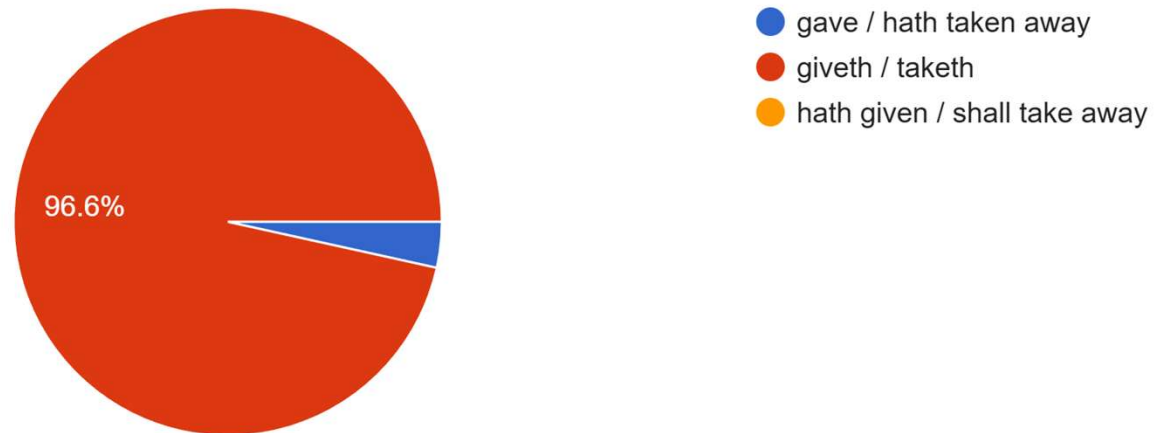
**Job 1:21 (KJV Only)** Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the Lord \_\_\_\_\_, and the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

- gave / hath taken away
- giveth / taketh
- hath given / shall take away

# National Pastor Survey Results

Job 1:21 (KJV Only) Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the Lord \_\_\_\_\_, and the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

29 responses



# National Pastor Survey Results

- Job 1:21 (KJV) (UT#1) — Answer given: “giveth / taketh” chosen by **29/31 (93.5%)** Correct: 1/31 (3.2%) Actual: “The LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away;”
- Luke 6:49 (UT#4)— Answer given: “Sand / winds” chosen by **29/31 (93.5%)** Correct: 1/31 (3.2%) Actual: “built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently,”
- Genesis 3:19 (KJV) (UT#4)— Answer given: “By the sweat of thy brow” chosen by **27/31 (87.1%)** Correct: 3/31 (9.7%) Actual: “In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread,”
- Mark 5:28 (UT#4) — Answer given: “touch the hem of His garment” chosen by **27/31 (87.1%)** Correct: 2/31 (6.5%) Actual: “If I may touch but his clothes.”
- Luke 5:24 (KJV) (UT#4) — Answer given: “bed / walk” chosen by **25/31 (80.6%)** Correct: 4/31 (12.9%) Actual: “take up thy couch, and go into thine house.”
- Genesis 7:9 (KJV) (UT#4) — Answer given: “two by two” chosen by **24/31 (77.4%)** Correct: 6/31 (19.4%) Actual: “there went in two and two unto Noah into the ark,”

# National Pastor Survey Results

- Isaiah 11:6 (UT#1) — Answer given: “The lion (laid down with the lamb)” chosen by **23/31 (74.2%)** Correct: 7/31 (22.6%) Actual: “The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb,”
- John 1:41 (KJV) (UT#2) — Answer given: “Messiah” chosen by **22/31 (71.0%)** Correct: 6/31 (19.4%) Actual: “We have found the Messias, which is, being interpreted, the Christ.”
- Matthew 7:1 (KJV) (UT#5)— Answer given: “lest ye be judged” chosen by **22/31 (71.0%)** Correct: 8/31 (25.8%) Actual: “Judge not, that ye be not judged.”
- Hebrews 6:1 (KJV) (UT#2)— Answer given: “elementary principles” chosen by **21/31 (67.7%)** Correct: 8/31 (25.8%) Actual: “the principles of the doctrine of Christ,”
- John 12:24 (KJV) (UT#4)— Answer given: “grain of wheat” chosen by **20/31 (64.5%)** Correct: 5/31 (16.1%) Actual: “Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die,”
- Genesis 8:11 (UT#1) — Answer given: “an olive branch” chosen by **19/31 (61.3%)** Correct: 11/31 (35.5%) Actual:
  - “in her mouth was an olive leaf pluckt off:”

## What's the cause?

### **Version confusion:**

The 12 passages in our National pastor survey are either King James only or they are universally the same across all versions—including the KJV. Additionally, there's no varied rendering in a different book within the same version. Each passage appears only one way in every Bible, in every version, in every book of that version, with every publisher, in every language, in every century, without exception. So how could the pastors have been confused by versions if the renderings are the same in every version and every book in the same version?

## What's the cause?

### **Modernization/variants/misprints:**

We also confirmed that the renderings of each question are identical in every version to the original source texts from which they are derived, which eliminates any possibility that the pastors were simply confused by modernizations, variants, or misprints.

**Biblical illiteracy:** I also went to great effort and expense to get this result exclusively from pastors, so these astonishing results cannot be explained away by the idea that people taking the survey are just biblically illiterate. And it's not just these pastors; it's pastors worldwide, and it's all of humanity.

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## ◀ Isaiah 11:6 ▶

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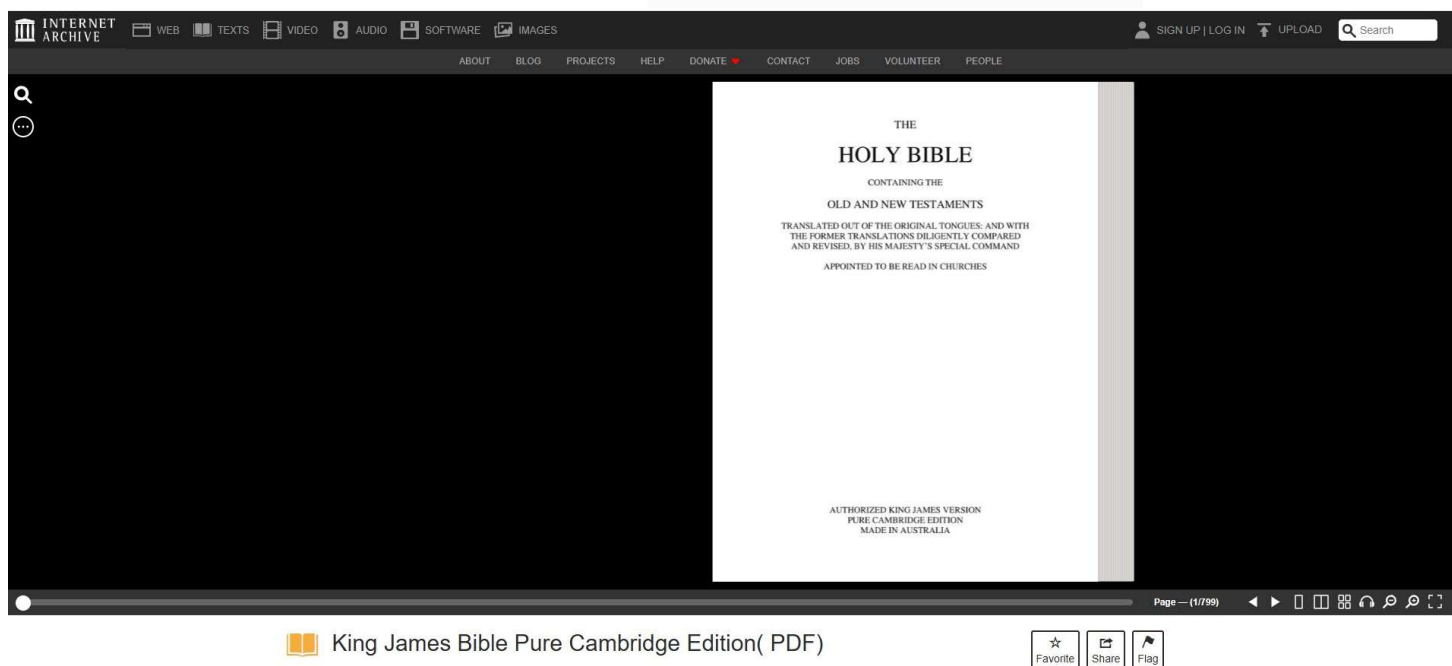
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# King James 1611 Cambridge version

## Modernizations or Variants

- It would have to be one way in these original versions and another way in later versions
- ....and it's not



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gathered all the earth; and there was none that moved the wing, or opened the mouth, or peeped.  
15 Shall the axe boast itself against him that heweth therewith? or shall the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it? as if the rod should shake *itself* against them that lift it up, or as if the staff should lift up *itself*, as if it were no wood.

**Isaiah 11:6 in KJV  
1611 Cambridge reads  
"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb"**

19 And the rest of the trees of his forest shall be few, that a child may write them.  
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5 They come from a far country, from the end of heaven, *even* the LORD, and the weapons of his indignation, to

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God's judgments foretold. I S A I A H. *The fall of the Assyrian foretold.*

7 Of the increase of his government and peace *there shall be* no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The *zeal* of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

8 ¶ The LORD sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel.

9 And all the people shall know, *even* Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in the pride and stoutness of heart,

10 The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the fycomores are cut down, but we will change *them into cedars.*

11 Therefore the LORD shall set up the adversaries of Rezin against him, and *join* his enemies together;

12 The Syrians before, and the Philistines behind; and they shall devour Israel *with open mouth.* For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is stretched out still.*

13 ¶ For the people turneth not unto him that smiteth them, neither do they seek the LORD of hosts.

14 Therefore the LORD will cut off from Israel head and tail, branch and rath, *in one day.*

15 The ancient and honourable, he *is* the head; and the prophet that teacheth lies, he *is* the tail.

16 For ¶ the leaders of this people cause

3 And what will ye do in the day of visitation, and in the desolation *which shall come from far?* to whom will ye flee for help? and where will ye leave your glory?

4 Without me they shall bow down under the prisoners, and they shall fall under the slain. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is stretched out still.*

5 ¶ O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, ¶ and the staff in their hand is mine indignation.

6 I will fend him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will I give him a charge, and *to tread them down like the mire of the streets.*

7 Howbeit he meaneth not so, neither doth his heart think so; but *it is* in his heart to destroy and cut off nations not a few.

8 For he saith, *Are not my princes altogether kings?*

9 Is not Calno as Carchemish? *is not* Hamath as Arpad? *is not* Samaria as Damascus?

10 As my hand hath found the kingdoms of the idols, and whose graven images did excel them of Jerusalem and of Samaria;

11 Shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her idols, so do to Jerusalem

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no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth.

21 The remnant shall return, *even* the remnant of Jacob, unto the mighty God.

22 For though thy people Israel be as the sand of the sea, yet a remnant *of* them shall return: the consumption decreed shall overflow *with* righteousness.

23 For the LORD God of hosts shall make a consumption, even determined, in the midst of all the land.

24 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord God of hosts, O my people that dwellest in Zion, be not afraid of the Assyrian: he shall smite thee with a rod, *and* shall lift up his staff against thee, after the manner of Egypt.

25 For yet a very little while, and the indignation shall cease, and mine anger in their destruction.

26 And the LORD of hosts shall stir up a scourge for him according to the slaughter of Midian at the rock of Orch: and *as* his rod was upon the sea, so shall he lift it up after the manner of Egypt.

27 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* his burden *shall* be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.

28 ¶ He is come to Aiath, he is passed to Migron; at Michmash he hath laid up

of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

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9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

10 ¶ And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

11 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.

12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

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Samaria;

11 Shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her idols, so do to Jerusalem and her idols?

12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, *that* when the Lord hath performed his whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.

13 For he saith, By the strength of my hand I have done *it*, and by my wisdom; for I am prudent: and I have removed the bounds of the people, and have robbed their treasures, and I have put down the inhabitants like a valiant *man*:

14 And my hand hath found as a nest the riches of the people: and as one gathereth eggs *that are* left, have I gathered all the earth; and there was none that moved the wing, or opened the mouth, or peeped.

15 Shall the axe boast itself against him that heweth therewith? or shall the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it? as if the rod should shake *itself* against them that lift it up, or as if the staff should lift up *itself*, as if it were no wood.

16 Therefore shall the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send among his fat ones leanness; and under his glory he shall kindle a burning like the burning of a fire.

17 And the light of Israel shall be for a fire, and his Holy One for a flame: and it shall burn and devour his thorns and his briers in one day;

18 And shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, both soul and body: and they shall be as when a standardbearer fainteth.

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logging at Gebim, Kaiman is afraid, Gebim of Sam is hee.

30 Lift up thy voice, O daughter of Gallim: cause it to be heard unto Laish, O poor Anathoth.

31 Madmenah is removed; the inhabitants of Gebim gather themselves to flee.

32 As yet shall he remain at Nob that day; he shall shake his hand *against* the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.

33 Behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, shall lop the bough with terror: and the high ones of stature *shall be* hewn down, and the haughty shall be humbled.

34 And he shall cut down the thickets of the forest with iron, and Lebanon shall fall by a mighty one.

CHAPTER 11

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children of Ammon shall obey them.

15 And the LORD shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea; and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand over the river, and shall smite it in the seven streams, and make *men* go over dryshod.

16 And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt.

CHAPTER 12

AND in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.

2 Behold, God *is* my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH *is* my strength and *my* song; he also is become my salvation.

3 Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.

4 And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.

5 Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this *is* known in all the earth.

6 Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great *is* the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

CHAPTER 13

THE burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz did see.

2 Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto them, shake the hand, that they may go into the gates of the nobles.

3 I have commanded my sanctified ones, I have also called my mighty ones for mine anger, *even* them that rejoice in my highness.

4 The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like as of a great people; a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations

terrible.

12 I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir.

13 Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger.

14 And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no man taketh up: they shall every man turn to his own people, and flee every one into his own land.

15 Every one that is found shall be thrust through; and every one that is joined *unto them* shall fall by the sword.

16 Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished.

17 Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and *as for* gold, they shall not delight in it.

18 *Their* bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eye shall not spare children.

19 ¶ And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.

20 It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.

21 But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses shall be full of doleful creatures; and owls shall dwell there, and satyrs shall dance there.

22 And the wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their desolate houses, and dragons in *their* pleasant palaces: and her time *is* near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged.

CHAPTER 14

FOR the LORD will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel, and set them in their own land: and the

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### Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers

(6) **The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb** . . . —It is significant of the prophet's sympathy with the animal world that he thinks of that also as sharing in the blessings of redemption. Rapine and cruelty even there were to him signs of an imperfect order, or the consequences of a fall, even as to St. Paul they witnessed of a "bondage of corruption" ([Romans 8:21](#)). The very instincts of the brute creation should be changed in "the age to come," and "the lion should eat straw like the ox." Men have discussed the question whether and when the words shall receive a literal fulfilment, and the answer to that question lies behind the veil. It may be that what we call the laws of animal nature in these respects are tending to a final goal, of which the evolution that has tamed the dog, the bull, the horse, is as it were a pledge and earnest (Soph., *Antig.*, 342-351). It may be, however, that each form of brute cruelty was to the prophet's mind the symbol of a human evil, and the imagery admits, therefore, of an allegorical rather than a literal interpretation. The classical student will remember the striking parallelism of the fourth Eclogue of Virgil, which, in its turn, may have been a far-off echo of Isaiah's thoughts, floating in the air or embodied in apocryphal Sibylline Oracles among the Jews of Alexandria and Rome.

### Benson Commentary

**Isaiah 11:6-8.** *The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, &c.* — "We have here the illustrious consequence of the economy of this divine kingdom, this kingdom of righteousness, equity, faith, and grace." The expressions which describe it are metaphorical: they represent the subjects of it under the figure of a flock, lying down and feeding under the care of the

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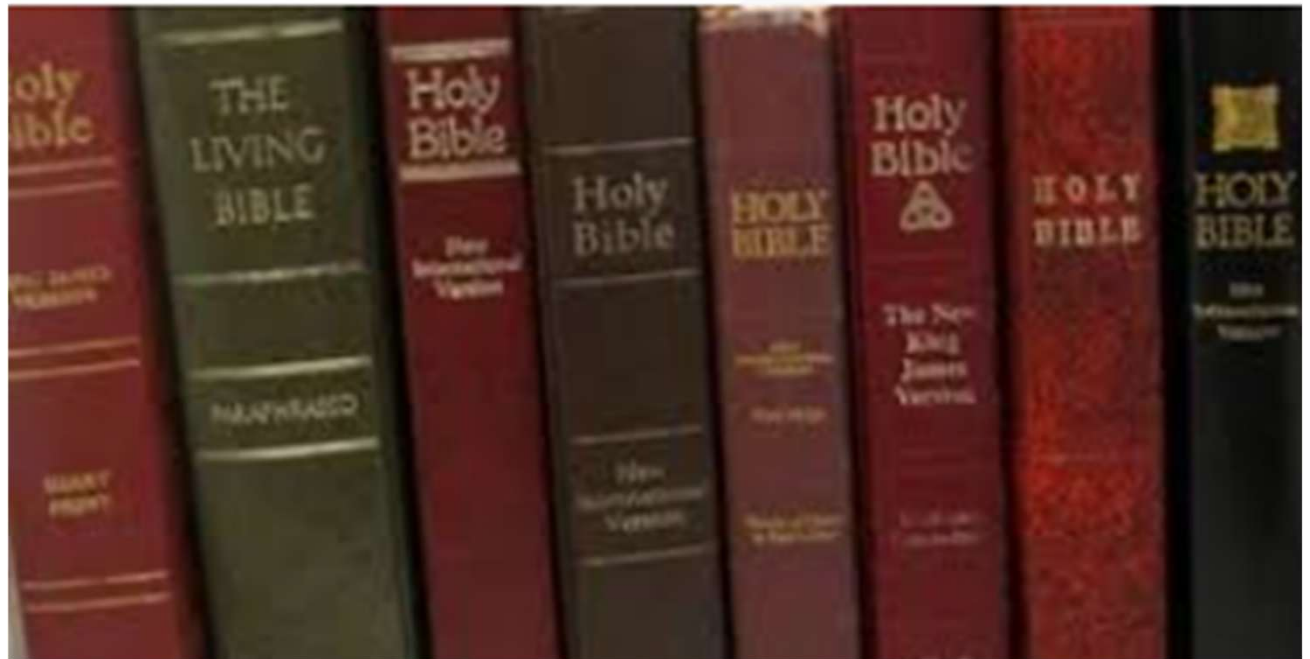
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When the dove returned to him in the evening, there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf! Then Noah knew that the water had receded from the earth.

##### New Living Translation

This time the dove returned to him in the evening with a fresh olive leaf in its beak. Then Noah knew that the floodwaters were almost gone.

##### English Standard Version

And the dove came back to him in the evening, and behold, in her mouth was a freshly plucked olive leaf. So Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth.

##### Berean Standard Bible

And behold, the dove returned to him in the evening with a freshly plucked olive leaf in her beak. So Noah knew that the waters had receded from the earth.

##### King James Bible

And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth *was* an olive leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.

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Then the dove came to him in the evening, and behold, a freshly plucked olive leaf *was* in her mouth; and Noah knew that the waters had receded from the earth.

##### New American Standard Bible

And the dove came to him in the evening, and behold, in its beak was a fresh olive leaf. So Noah knew that the water was low on the earth.

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#### Context

**Noah Sends a Dove** ...<sup>10</sup> Noah waited for the dove from the sky in the evening. So Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. <sup>12</sup> And Noah sent the dove again.

#### Cross Reference

**Matthew 24:37** As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be in the days of the Son of Man. For as they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to that day, they were oblivious of what was coming. So will it be in the days of the Son of Man.

# Who did Jacob wrestle with?

## All Versions

- The 1611 Cambridge KJV, all 5 revisions, the 1769 Oxford Edition, as well as the ASV, NIV, ISV, NLT, ESV, BSB, BLB, NKJV, NAS, (NASB 1995,) (NASB 1977,) LSB, Amplified, CSB, Holman, CEV, ERV, Majority, NET, New Heart, Websters, Weymouth, World English, LSV, Berean, Young's, Smith's, Douay-Rheims, Catholic Public Domain, NAB, NRSV, LAMSA, Aramaic, Anderson, Godbey, Haweis, Mace, Weymouth, Worrell, Worsley,

◀ **Genesis 32:24** ▶

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**Verse** (Click for Chapter)

### New International Version

So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak.

### New Living Translation

This left Jacob all alone in the camp, and a man came and wrestled with him until the dawn began to break.

### English Standard Version

And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day.

### Berean Standard Bible

So Jacob was left all alone, and there a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

### King James Bible

And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.

### New King James Version

Then Jacob was left alone; and a Man wrestled with him until the breaking of day.

### New American Standard Bible

Then Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

### NASB 1995

Then Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

### NASB 1977

Then Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

### Audio Bible

10 How a river flowed out of four headwaters:  
11 The name of the first river is the Gihon; it flows from the east of Eden.  
12 The name of the second river is the Tigris; it flows from the east of Eden.  
13 The name of the third river is the Euphrates.  
14 The name of the fourth river is the Euphrates.  
15 Then the LORD God took Adam and kept him in the garden.  
16 And the LORD God commended the garden to Adam, saying,  
17 "But you must not eat from that tree; for on the day that you eat of it, you will surely die."  
18 The LORD God also said, "I will send my blessing upon you and your wife, and you will multiply and fill the earth.  
19 And out of the ground the LORD God will bring forth to you the serpent."

### Context

**Jacob Wrestles with God**  
...<sup>23</sup> He took them and set them on the donkeys, and he went with all his possession and there a man wrestled with him.  
<sup>25</sup> When the man saw that he had not prevailed against Jacob, he struck the socket of his hip, so that Jacob limped from that day to the day.  
they wrestled....

### Cross References

**Hosea 12:3-4**  
In the womb he grasped him, and he wrestled with God.  
and prevailed; he wept because he found God.  
Him at Bethel and spoke to him, saying, "My father is God."

# Source text for ESV, NLT, CSB, NASB, NRSV

- **ESV (English Standard Version)**
  - OT textual basis: **Masoretic Text as found in Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (5th ed., 1997)**. [Biblia+1](#)
- **NLT (New Living Translation)**
  - OT based on the **Masoretic Text as represented in BHS**, with DSS, LXX, Samaritan Pentateuch, etc. consulted. [The 10 Commandments+1](#)
- **CSB (Christian Standard Bible)**
  - OT textual basis: **Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (BHS)**. [CSBible+1](#)
- **NASB (New American Standard Bible, esp. 2020)**
  - OT textual basis: **BHS and BHQ (for books available)**, plus LXX, DSS, etc. [Lockman Foundation+1](#)
- **NRSV / NRSVue (Updated Edition)**
  - OT textual basis: **Biblia Hebraica Quinta (BHQ) where available, and BHS for the rest**. [Bible Gateway](#)
- In other words, **all of these list BHS/BHQ**

# Source for the Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia is the Westminster Leningrad Codex

## Westminster Leningrad Codex

[Language](#) > [Hebrew](#) > [Westminster Leningrad Codex](#) > [Isaiah](#) > **Chapter 11**

<sup>1</sup> And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a shoot shall grow out of his roots.

<sup>2</sup> And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.

<sup>3</sup> And he shall walk in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge by the sight of his eyes, neither reprove by the hearing of his ears. <sup>4</sup> And he shall judge the poor with righteousness, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the spirit of his spirit. His lips are

in the day of evil. <sup>5</sup> And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his arms. <sup>6</sup> And the wolf shall lie down with the lamb, and the leopard with the kid; and the ~~goat~~ and the fatling and the

fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. <sup>7</sup> And the cow and the bear shall graze; they shall lie down with their young; and the lion shall eat straw

The Westminster Leningrad Codex also says “wolf” so we are not confused by modernizations

# Source text for ESV, NLT, CSB, NASB, NRSV NIV

The Hebracia Stuttgartensia says “wolf” so we are not confused by modernizations

Isaiah 11:6 in the Biblia Hebracia Stuttgartensia reads "The wolf shall dwell with the lamb" NIV, ESV, RSV

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# Modernizations or Variants NIV, ESV, RSV

**◀ Isaiah 11:6 ▶**

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**Verse** (Click for Chapter)

**New International Version**  
The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them.

**New Living Translation**  
In that day the wolf and the lamb will live together; the leopard will lie down with the baby goat. The calf and the yearling will be safe with the lion, and a little child will lead them all.

**English Standard Version**  
The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them.

**Berean Standard Bible**  
The wolf will live with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the goat; the calf and young lion and the fatling will be together, and a little child will lead them.


**King James Bible**  
The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

**New King James Version**  
"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them.

**New American Standard Bible**  
And the wolf will dwell with the lamb, And the leopard will lie down with the young goat, And the calf and the young lion and the fattened steer *will be* together; And a little boy will lead them.

**NASB 1971**

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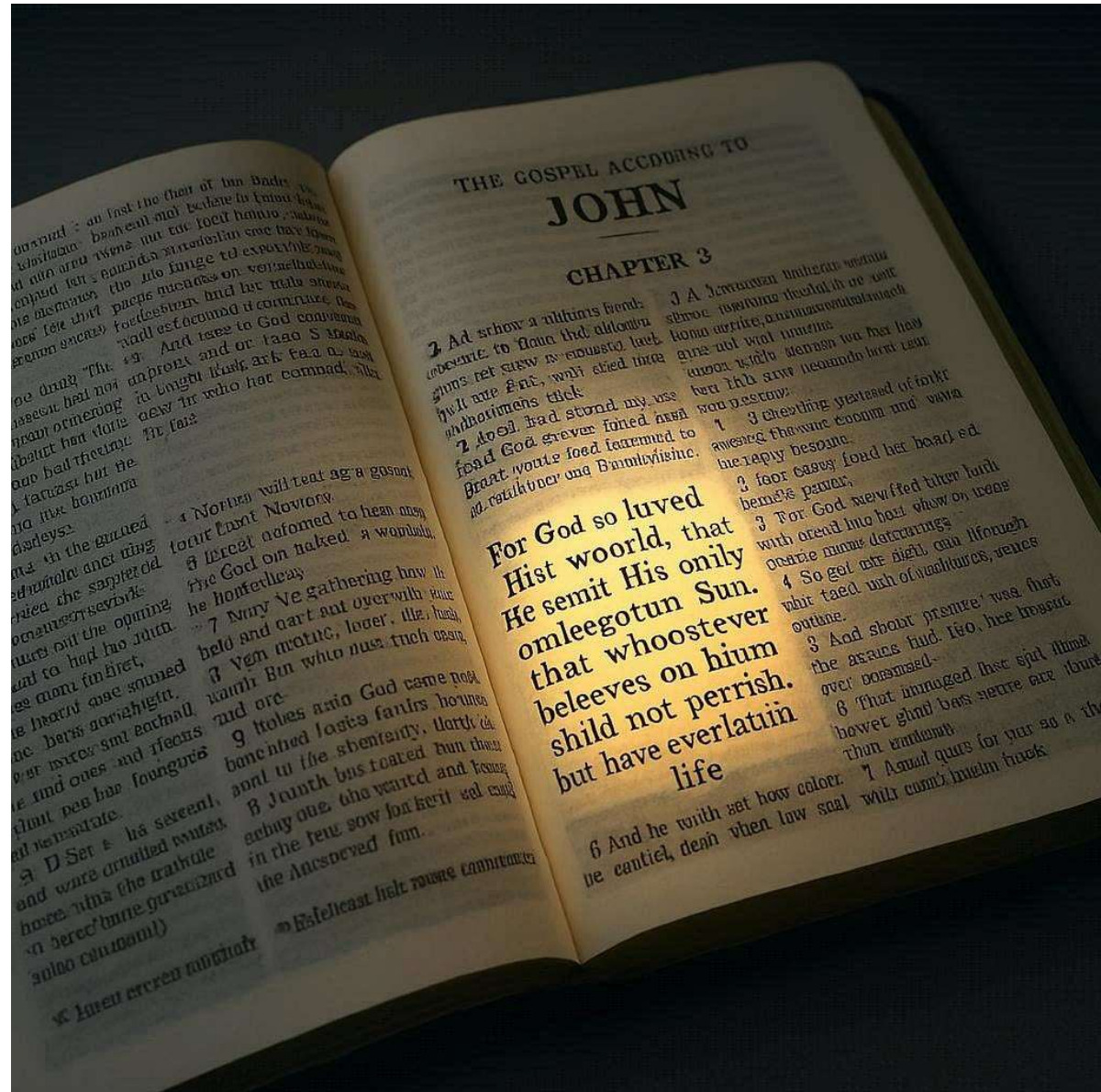
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# Misprints

- You can't find the misprinted Bible that says the "lion will lay down with the lamb"....it doesn't exist





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# Refuting misquotes from pop culture

- If someone said, “There is no God” on Facebook, would you somehow become an atheist without ever realizing you had changed sides?
- If the unusually high rate of documented misremembering is caused by misquotes from pop culture, then why is everyone misremembering the same way? There would have to be only one misquote for each of the 20 familiar Bible passages that everyone is getting wrong the same way. There's no evidence of that
- So what if you come across a misquote on Facebook? Don't you know your Bible?
- Can't you recognize a misspelled word and reject it? What makes you think a misquote is any different?
- Why would some random misquote be a greater influence on a pastor than his long-term exposure to the correct renderings?

# Refuting misquotes from pop culture

How many times would you have to hear “Jesus wept” (Luke 19:41) misquoted as “Jesus cried” before you believe that the misquote would be able to permanently overwrite your long-term memory without your knowledge, so that you would choose #2 (“Jesus cried”) if you took a quiz and you were given a multiple-choice option of;

- Jesus wept
- Jesus cried
- Jesus wailed,

Here are your answer options to choose from

1. If I heard it often enough and long enough, and under the right conditions, I think that eventually I would be helpless to adopt it into my long-term memory and that this would happen without me being aware of it. And I believe that could happen with 12 other scriptures just like the pastors, no matter how much I’m exposed to the Bible and the correct renderings.
2. I don’t care how many times I saw it misquoted; I know my Bible, and I would always know that it has always said “Jesus wept.”
3. Other (Provide explanation)

# Refuting misquotes from pop culture

## **Only one misquote for each alleged Bible change**

Would you agree that in order for everyone to be misremembering the same way, there would have to be only one misquote for the 15 or 20 passages that are regularly misremembered (See online Bible quiz at [alteredbible.com](http://alteredbible.com)) Do you have any evidence to support the idea that there is only one misquote for these 20 passages that all pastors are misremembering the same way in our survey?

## **Misquotes appearing on all nine platforms simultaneously**

Since most people only look at one or two different social media platforms, you would need to be able to show that these 20 misquotes regularly appear on at least the top nine social media platforms. Do you have any evidence that the 20 verses that were universally misremembered in my survey appear in only one form across all of the following platforms: **Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Reddit, Instagram, Pinterest, LinkedIn, Quora, and Tumblr?**

# Refuting misquotes from pop culture

## **Misquotes appearing everywhere and all the time**

What is the probability that these 20 Bible misquotes that I showed are rendered in only one way across all nine platforms, often enough and over a long enough period of time to overcome all the influence of the correct rendering that pastors are consistently exposed to?

## **There is no evidence**

Just to recap: there's no evidence that the misquotes exist, there's no evidence that they appear in only one form, there's no evidence that they appear on all 9 platforms, and there's no evidence that they appear often enough and are ubiquitous enough to overcome the relentless exposure that pastors have to the correct rendering. Is that your testimony?

# Theological Argument

## #1 Sovereignty of God

- Psalms 119:89 was written approximately 250 years before Amos 8:11, demonstrating God's willingness to promise to preserve His Word and then subsequently make it inaccessible through a judgment. Whatever counter-argument you wish to bring forward is irrelevant because the precedent is clear; God promised to preserve His Word and then subsequently took it away as a judgment. This is an example of God's sovereignty, and if He did it before He can
- **Psalm 119:89 (KJV)**  
For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.
- **Amos 8:11 (KJV)**  
Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:

# Theological Argument

## #2 Bible, Scripture, Word (Synonymous?)

- Are the terms “Bible, Scripture, and Word” really synonymous? When someone says “the Bible can't change because God preserves his word,” they are inadvertently conflating the terms Bible and word to mean the same thing, but is that true?
- When most Christians read the passage that says “Heaven and Earth will pass away but my word will not pass away” they unconsciously convert that term word in into their KJV Bible. But if that was true, why doesn't the text ever say something like;
  - “Heaven and earth will pass away but my Bible will not pass away, or Thy Bible oh Lord is forever settled in heaven “
- So you never hear anyone say “the Bible can't change because God preserves His scripture.” And the reason they never say that is because the Bible or the scripture doesn't teach that. So who decided that the term scripture and word are synonymous? It's the guy at the front of the room because it's certainly not the text itself because there's quite a few passages that clearly indicate that the term word does not mean your King James Bible in English on your coffee table, it means something much more profound
- **John 1:1, Revelation 19:13 (Hebrews 4:12 vs Revelation 2:23), (John 1:4 vs John 5:39) Jeremiah 1:4-10, Matthew 4:4**

# Theological Argument

## #2 Bible, Scripture, Word

- **John 1:1 (KJV)**  
In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the **Word was God.**
- **Revelation 19:13 (KJV)**  
And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: **and his name is called The Word of God.**
- **Hebrews 4:12 (KJV)**  
For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, **and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.**
  - **Revelation 2:23 (KJV)**  
And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that **I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts:** and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

# Theological Argument

## #2 Bible, Scripture, Word

- **John 1:4** **In him was life**; and the life was the light of men.
  - **John 5:39** Search the scriptures; for **in them ye think ye have eternal life**: and they are they which testify of me.
- **Matthew 4:4** But He answered and said, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.’”
- **Psalm 33:6** **By the word of the LORD** were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.
- **Jeremiah 1:4** **Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying**, Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

# Theological Argument

## #2 Are “scripture & “word” interchangeable?

- John 1
- In the beginning was the Word (scripture), and the Word (scripture) was with God, and the Word (scripture) was God. He (the scripture) was in the beginning with God. 3All things were made through Him (the scripture), and without Him (the scripture) nothing was made that was made. In Him (the scripture) was life, and the life was the light of men.

# Theological Argument

## #2 Bible, Scripture, Word

- Because the scripture makes a clear distinction between the term “Word” and the written text, we are forced to acknowledge that there may be a more nuanced understanding of what the preservation promises are actually pointing to.
- If preachers go to so much effort to bring forward the exact meaning of a word in their sermons, why don't they apply the same diligence to these three words?
- God's infinite perfection of righteousness is not diminished in any way if the scripture is changing because the scriptures do not promise that the scriptures will be preserved; they promise that the Word will be preserved, and they are not the same. If they are the same, then John 1:1 demands that you should be able to hold up your KJV Bible and say, *“I hold in my hand, God!”*

# Theological Argument

## #3 Where is it preserved (“Not with ink”)

- God promises to preserve His Word **in the hearts of His people, not on the pages of the book**. There are only five preservation promises that indicate **where** the word will be preserved and none of them indicate that the jurisdiction will be on paper. The text clearly teaches that God promises to preserve the word in our hearts.
- The text even goes as far as to specifically state that the preservation medium will not be on paper in 2 Corinthians 3:3 when Paul tells us ; *“not on tables of stone”* and *“not with ink”* *“but with the spirit of the living God.”*
- He clearly states that preservation will not be on tables of stone which is the most durable medium possible for storing the decrees of God. No, God is telling you in His word that under the new covenant, the storage of the word will be in the hearts of His people as he says in verses 2-3;
  - “Ye are our epistle **written in our hearts**, known and read of all men: Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, **written not with ink**,
- **Promises with a jurisdiction**
  - Jeremiah 31:33, Hebrews 8:10, Hebrews 10:16, 2nd Cor 3:3, Psalms 119:89
- **Promises without a jurisdiction**
  - Isaiah 40:8, Isaiah 55:11, Psalm 12:6, Psalm 119:89, Proverbs 30:5, Matthew 5:18, Matthew 24:35, John 10:35, John 17:17, 2 Timothy 3:16-17,

# Theological Argument

## #3 Promises with a jurisdiction

- **Jeremiah 31:33** But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, **I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts;** and will be their God, and they shall be my people.
- **Hebrews 8:10** For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; **I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts:** and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:
- **Hebrews 10:16** This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, **I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;**
- **2 Corinthians 3:3** Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, **written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart.**
- **Psalms 119:89** For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

# Theological Argument

## #3 Promises withOUT a jurisdiction

- **Isaiah 40:8 (KJV)**

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

- **Isaiah 55:11 (KJV)**

So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

- **Psalms 12:6 (KJV)**

The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.

- **Psalms 119:89 (KJV)**

For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

- **Proverbs 30:5 (KJV)**

Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

# Theological Argument

## #3 Promises withOUT a jurisdiction

- **Matthew 5:18** For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.
- **Matthew 24:35** Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.
- **John 10:35** If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;
  - NOTE: John 5:18 uses the same word for broken as John 10:35 and it means “obeyed” not preserved. John 5:18 “Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had **broken** the sabbath, but said also that God was his Father, making himself equal with God.”
- **John 17:17** Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.
- **2 Timothy 3:16** All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:  
17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

# 26 Theological Argument

## #4 Preserved but inaccessible

- The Word can be preserved while at the same time be made inaccessible through a judgment. The Word is preserved in relation to the pagan, but the Word is also inaccessible to them through a judgment
  - **Psalm 9:17** The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.
- There are over 1,600 living languages that have no Bible translated into their language, but these same people are all still in subjection to the word. So the word is preserved in relation to these people groups, but it is at the same time inaccessible to them. In a similar way, the word is preserved to us in modernity, but at the same time is becoming inaccessible through this judgment.
- **Galatians 3:22** “But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.”
- **Romans 11:32** “For God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all.”
- **Romans 3:19** “Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.”

# Theological Argument

## #5 God has removed His word before

- The sentimental argument that God would never allow this because it would be too disruptive is unbiblical. God has removed His Word as a judgment before, which establishes a precedent for His willingness to do it again.
  - Amos 8:11, Lamentations 2:9, Micah 3:6-7, Psalm 74:9, 1 Samuel 3:1, 2 Chronicles 15:3, Ezekiel 7:26, Hosea 4:6, Ezekiel 14:4,9, 1 Kings 22:19, Numbers 22:20, Psalms 18:26

# Theological Argument

## #5 God has removed His word before

- Amos 8:11 Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:
- Lamentations 2:9 Her gates are sunk into the ground; he hath destroyed and broken her bars: her king and her princes are among the Gentiles: the law is no more; her prophets also find no vision from the LORD.
- Micah 3:6 Therefore night shall be unto you, that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark unto you, that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them.
- Micah 3:7 Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yea, they shall all cover their lips; for there is no answer of God.
- Psalm 74:9 We see not our signs: there is no more any prophet: neither is there among us any that knoweth how long.

# Theological Argument

## #5 God has removed His word before

- 1 Samuel 3:1 And the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; there was no open vision.
- 2 Chronicles 15:3 Now for a long season Israel hath been without the true God, and without a teaching priest, and without law.
- Ezekiel 7:26 Mischief shall come upon mischief, and rumour shall be upon rumour; then shall they seek a vision of the prophet; but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the ancients.
- Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.
- Ezekiel 14:4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;
- Ezekiel 14:9 And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing, I the LORD have deceived that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy him from the midst of my people Israel.

# Theological Argument

## #5 God has removed His word before

- 1 Kings 22:19 And he said, Hear thou therefore the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on his throne, and all the host of heaven standing by him on his right hand and on his left.
- Numbers 22:20 And God came unto Balaam at night, and said unto him, If the men come to call thee, rise up, and go with them; but yet the word which I shall say unto thee, that shalt thou do.
- Psalms 18:26 With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself froward.

## 26 Theological Argument

### #6 God told us He was going to do this

- This event was foretold with stunning accuracy.
  - Dan 7:25, Amos 8:11, 2nd Thessalonians 2:9, Revelation 13, Revelation 22:10-18, Enoch 80:1-3

# Theological Argument

## #7 The devil was given permission

- The devil doesn't have enough power to change the Bible unless God gives him permission. Since God has demonstrated His willingness to do this in the following passages, it's theologically sound to suggest that He would do it again by allowing the Bible to be supernaturally changed.
  - Job 1:12, Revelation 13:7

## 26 Theological Argument

### #8 Inspired doesn't mean preserved

- Just because the Word is inspired, does not automatically mean it is preserved because:
  - a. Even things inspired by God can become corrupted (Hebrews 1:10-12)
  - b. There are no passages that teach inspiration equals preservation
  - c. Theological necessity is a tradition of men that is taught as doctrine
  - d. 2nd Timothy 3:16 should be interpreted as “Every” scripture that is inspired by God,” not “All” scripture that is inspired by God.”

## 26 Theological Argument

### #9 God doesn't change $\neq$ Bible doesn't change

- God's unchanging nature, does not automatically equate to the Bible's unchanging nature.

## 26 Theological Argument

### #10 God is willing to appear unrighteous

- God is willing to appear unrighteous to test His servants. By allowing this judgment, it appears that God is asking His people, “Do you know me, or do you just know the book?”
  - Job 1:8, Genesis 22:1

## 26 Theological Argument

### #11 God is the author of confusion

- Although the text clearly reveals that God is not the author of confusion, He has still used confusion as a judgment numerous times.
  - Genesis 11:7-9, Judges 7:22, 2 Chronicles 20:23, 1 Samuel 14:20, Exodus 14:24-25, 2 Kings 7:6-7

## 26 Theological Argument

### #12 Psalm 12 is not a preservation promise

- Taking Psalms 12 and other passages out of context to support the preservation doctrine is common.

## 26 Theological Argument

### #13 The Bible has been changing from its inception

- If the Bible can't change, then why has it been changing through seven different covenants since its inception?
  - Hebrews 8:6-9, 13, Edenic, Adamic, Noahic, Abrahamic, Mosaic, Palestinian, Davidic, New

## 26 Theological Argument

### #14 The law of 1<sup>st</sup> mention

- The law of first mention: The first time the term “Word of God” is used is in the context of a conversation, not a written text.
  - Genesis 15:1

## 26 Theological Argument

### #15 God breaks down so that He may build up

- God breaks down so He can build up. He's offended by the rampant exaltation of intellectualism and wants our hearts to be burning with freedom and joy. Your doctrine isn't sound if you're miserable.
  - Ecclesiastes 3, Jeremiah 18:7

## 26 Theological Argument

### #16 It please God not to give us a Bible

- God has demonstrated that He is not as concerned that we have a perfect, flawless Bible as many church leaders are because:
  - We've only had a Bible for about 7% of the entire Church age
  - God did not require that all His decrees be recorded on an indelible medium like the 10 commandments, which indicates that He prefers that we remain dependent on Him to clarify many things as we go
  - It pleased God for men to grope (Acts 17:27-28)

## 26 Theological Argument

#17 The book points to God, the preachers point to the book

- Church leaders keep pointing to the book instead of its author, but the scriptures are not the foundation of our faith as we are often told, it is Christ Himself.
  - 1 Corinthians 3:11
- *“God, in past time, spoke to us in many ways, but now He speaks to us through His Son,”* not the Bible.
  - Hebrews 1:1-2

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## #18 Promises can be modified or overturned

- The Bible can change because the preservation promises can be modified or overturned by other passages that foretold that they would be changed.
  - (Matthew 5:17 vs Daniel 7:25), (Psalm 119:89 vs Amos 8:11), (Isaiah 40:8 vs 2 Thessalonians 2:9) Other examples of scripture changing scripture: Hebrews 8:6-9, 13, Matthew 12:3-6, (Leviticus 23:4-5 vs Colossians 2:16), (Leviticus 3:17 vs Romans 14:20), Galatians 2:14, (Exodus 20:13 vs Matthew 5:21-22), (Leviticus 11:1-23 vs Acts 10:9-16)
- On rare occasions, God rescinds His promises. It appears as though too many have turned the Bible into an idol and so God has allowed Satan to scramble it in a Tower of Babel-type judgment.
  - 1 Samuel 2:30, Jeremiah 18:7-10, Genesis 6:5-7, Exodus 32:9-14, 1 Kings 21:17-29, Jonah 3:10

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### #19 Promises can have time limits

- God puts time limits on some promises in the Scripture. The time limit for the preservation promises is Daniel 12:4; *“shut up the words and seal the book, even to the time of the end.”* The prophecy that God would allow the Bible to be changed in Daniel 7:25 was sealed until now. This event described in Daniel 7:25 was delayed until Revelation 22:10 when we hear the words *“Seal not the words of the prophecy.”* This means that the changing of times and laws mentioned in Dan 7:2 can commence. Other examples of promises with a time limit include:
  - Genesis 15:13-14, Jeremiah 29:10, Daniel 9:24, 2 Kings 20:5-6