



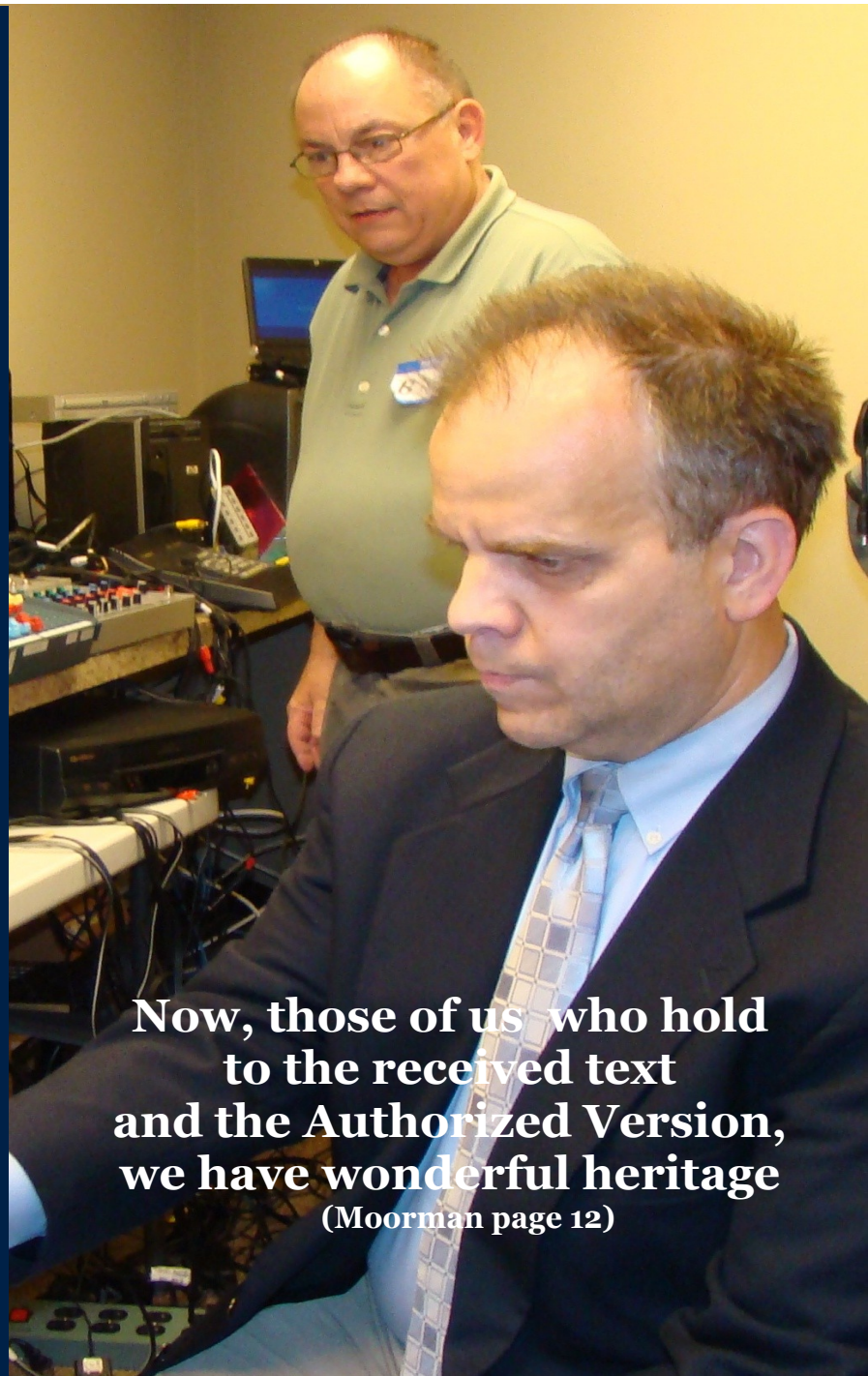
The Dean Burgon Society News

IN DEFENSE OF TRADITIONAL BIBLE TEXTS

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

2013 Conference Edition



Now, those of us who hold to the received text and the Authorized Version, we have wonderful heritage
(Moorman page 12)

THE DEAN BURGON SOCIETY, proudly takes its name in honor of John William Burgon (1813-1888), the Dean of Chichester in England, whose tireless and accurate scholarship and contribution in the area of New Testament Textual Criticism; whose defense of the Traditional Greek New Testament Text against its many enemies; and whose firm belief in the verbal inspiration and inerrancy of the Bible; we believe, have all been unsurpassed either before or since his time.



The Importance Of Our Dean Burgon Society's Doctrinal Position

By Pastor D. A. Waite, Th.D., Ph.D

Thirty-Five Years Ago I Envisioned The Need For Our Dean Burgon Society. I could see the strong beginnings of new Bible versions that were pushing out our King James Bible. I tried to cooperate with the Trinitarian Bible Society in England at first. Then, several friends and I organized a United States branch of that group, but found that we could not be independent of London. So, together with Dr. David Otis Fuller and Pastor E. L. Bynum, we decided to organize the society which later became known as The Dean Burgon Society.

Our Articles Of Faith, Operation & Organization. I was asked to make up our *Articles of Faith, Operation & Organization (DBS Articles)*. Some of the document was patterned after that of the Trinitarian Bible Society. I drew up the first draft of these *DBS Articles* and presented them to the men who gathered on No-

vember 3-4, 1978, for the first annual meeting in a motel close to the Philadelphia airport. Though there were a few changes made from my first draft, the *DBS Articles*, as voted on and passed, were essentially the same.

The Preface To The DBS Articles. It is very important to understand the opening paragraph of our *DBS Articles* because it gives their limited scope. About the originals, it states:

*“Acknowledging the Bible to be the inerrant, infallible, plenary and verbally inspired Word of God, **among other equally Biblical truths**, we believe and maintain the following:”*

Though this is a restrictive sentence in order to maintain unity within the Dean Burgon Society, there is no attempt to restrict members to maintain their own **“*equally Biblical truths*”** within their own church, organization, or individual beliefs.

The Printed And Agreed-To Doctrines Of Faith Must Never Be Minimized. Here are the 12 main captions in our *DBS Articles* that we cannot and must not remove or de-emphasize: (1) The Bible; (2) The Trinity; (3) The Person of Christ; (4) The Birth of Christ; (5) The Death of Christ; (6) The Resurrection of Christ; (7) Salvation; (8) Heaven and Hell; (9) Spiritual Unity; (10) Purity of the Church; (11) Separation; and (12) Creation.

A New Organization Was Formed in 2011 Called The King James Bible Research Council (KJBRC). Pastor David Brown is its founder and president. Pastor Phil Stringer is its vice president. As the president of the Dean Burgon Society (DBS), I want to go on

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record to point out the many important doctrinal and positional differences between the DBS and the KJBRC. They said that they did not want to “replace or compete with any other organization,” yet these differences tend to “replace” and “compete” with the Dean Burgon Society.

Some Important Stated Positions of the DBS Are in Contrast to the Stated Positions of the King James Bible Research Council (KJBRC). Whatever Pastors Brown and Stringer, and their other leaders, might believe personally, they did not put many very important items into their KJBRC “Doctrinal Statement.” which are found in our *DBS Articles*. Though I assume that Pastors Brown and Stringer thought it important

to have these items included in our *DBS Articles* which they signed every year until they left us in 2011, apparently they did not feel they were important enough to insert into their “Doctrinal Statement” for their new KJBRC group.

16 Positions Or Specific Terms ABSENT From The KJBRC Published “Doctrinal Statement.” (1) Creation by God as in the Bible; (2) Salvation by the blood of Christ; (3) Christ’s Virgin Birth; (4) Christ’s perfect, sinless humanity; (5) Christ’s Godhead and Manhood; (6) Christ’s bodily resurrection; (7) Cessation of the Spirit’s sign gifts; (8) Use of the word, Heaven; (9) Use of the word, Hell; (10) Biblical separation from apostasy; (11) Biblical separation from compromise; (12) Christ’s second coming;

(13) “Inspiration” limited to the originals; (14) Defense of the KJB’s Hebrew Text; (15) Defense of the KJB’s Greek Text; and (16) Exposing false versions and texts. The elimination of these important positions or specific terms leaves a serious doctrinal gap in the “Doctrinal Statement” of the King James Bible Research Council.

My Message This Year At Our DBS Conference. In order for people to comprehend and understand fully the importance of these 16 eliminations of doctrinal importance, I will be bringing a Power Point presentation in order to explain these matters at our 35th annual DBS conference, July 24-25, 2013, at Grace Baptist Church in Franklin, Massachusetts. **DBS**



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A letter from the Midwest

Dear Friends,

I appreciate the work that the Dean Burgon Society is doing to uphold God's Holy Word. Knowing several missionaries who are at work with large mainstream translation organizations has increased my awareness of ongoing need of Bible translations—and that sadly, these are often undertaken without reference to what God said. Please accept the enclosed gift as a means to defend God's Word, and if possible, assist those who are translating from pure texts.

Thanks,

Stephen

The DBS Doctrine

By Daniel S. Waite

How important are the Words of God?

His Words should not be disregarded—they must be feared. The Dean Burgon Society believes “*in the plenary, verbal, Divine inspiration of the sixty-six canonical books of the Old and the New Testaments (from Genesis to Revelation) in the original languages, and in their consequent infallibility and inerrancy in all matters of which they speak*” (DBS *Articles of Faith*). Consider the following verses:

All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

The Bible says “all scripture.” There are those in society today who will not accept the adjective “all” of “all scripture” as meaning “all.” The higher critics of Gods’ Words (those doubt the authenticity of Scripture) along with *some* lower critics of the Words of the LORD (those who seek which text is closest to the original autographs) want to render “all” as *some*. If one is a Bible-believing Christian, then he must think of how Words of Scripture affect the little word “all.” Does “all” in-



He preached from the King James version which has short,
pungent, piercing sentences.

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clude the word “firstborn” as it appears in the following verse, “*And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son*” (Matthew 1:25)?

Would it make any difference to your soteriology if the Lord Jesus Christ was the second born son to Mary as opposed to the firstborn son of Mary? This is a textual dispute but it sill goes back to that word “all.”

How is Scripture given? It “is given by inspiration.” Those four words, “is given by inspiration,” have just one Greek word behind them (theopneustos). This is a compound word which is comprised of the word for God and the word for breath. Scripture is a product of God. We have a copy of the preserved Words of God NOT a copy of the words of man.

Why is it that modern Bibles versions question if the name of Jesus should be included in Matthew 4:12; Matthew 4:18; Matthew 4:23 and Matthew 8:29?

The Dean Burgon Society believes God gave us the Scripture using the process of inspiration. We believe that the name of Jesus should remain in tact in those four verses cited above from the gospel of Matthew chapter four—the DBS believes that, “*All scripture is given by inspiration.*”

The Words of God should never be disregarded. “*Without a cause*” should remain in Matthew 5:22. The Word of God declares, “. . . *and is profitable for doctrine . . .*” Doctrine must be based on the Words of God. The Virgin birth is a vital doctrine—this is why Matthew 1:25 should be accepted with the word “*firstborn.*” If one does not have a faithful copy of scripture, one cannot have sound doctrine.

How is the teaching of the Bible changed if one omits “with out a cause” in Matthew 5:22? Would not doctrine be altered if “*by them of old time*” were stricken from Matthew 5:27? All Scripture is given by inspi-

ration , and all Scripture is profitable for doctrine.

The Words of God should be revered for they are not only profitable for doctrine but they are also profitable for reproof. The believer needs *all* sixty-six canonical books so that he can be reproofed. He does not need just “some.” He needs *all*. “*All scripture is by inspiration . . .*” (2 Timothy 3:16). **DBS**

More about the DBS Doctrine in future issues.



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The 35th DBS Conference

July 24-25, 2013

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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 (Isaiah 55:11).

Is the DBS Women's Meeting The Place For You?

Yvonne S. Waite



SEEMS LIKE ONLY YESTERDAY THAT WE WOMEN WERE MOVED TO TEARS AT THE TESTIMONIES OF OUR FRIENDS. Who can forget last year when **CHRIS GRUMBLATT** told of the untimely death of a young man who was like a son to her? She led us through his sudden death and the empty place at her daughter's wedding. ***O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory*** (*I Corinthians 15:55*)?

LAST YEAR, JUDY COOPER, OUR HOST-PASTOR'S WIFE, LED THE WOMEN IN REMEMBERING OUR LIVES AND THE HURTS, FAILURES, AND JOYS OF OUR YEARS. ***But call to remembrance the former days*** (*Hebrews 10:32*). ***I hope you have seen the DVD of our 2012 meeting or watched it on the internet.*** You, too, will find a tear in your eyes.

NOW IT IS ANOTHER YEAR--2013! WE WOMEN HAVE LIVED OUR LIVES AS THE LORD HAS LED US ALL THESE DAYS. I agree with old Job when he said, ***My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle*** (*Job 7:6*). Some of those days were good, happy, and fulfilled. Other days

were laden with tragedy and deep disappointment. For me--my dear daughter-in-law, JEANETTE WAITE, died this past year! Then we had a wedding, too. A granddaughter married the man of her dreams. Another granddaughter graduated from home-school-high-school with great honors.

THIS YEAR THE SOCIETY IS MEETING IN FRANKLIN, MASSACHUSETTS. WE WILL BE AT GRACE BAPTIST AGAIN THIS YEAR. We have been there before.

ONE YEAR MRS. S. H. TOW SPOKE. SHE IS MARRIED TO A RENOWNED SINGAPORE MEDICAL DOCTOR/PREACHER AND IS AN M.D. IN HER OWN RIGHT. Her voice was strong & confidence. ***She, who had nothing to say, did!*** ***"But I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue. The LORD said. . . Who hath made man's mouth? . . . have not I the LORD"*** (*Exodus 4:10-11a*)?

ANOTHER YEAR, MISSIONARY WIFE, PAM BENNETT, FROM AUSTRALIA, SPOKE, GIVING HER PRACTICAL & BIBLICAL ADVICE. She told how those *holy words* have worked in her life. I was hoping that Pam would be with us again in 2013, but **God had different plans.** PAM HAD OPEN-HEART SURGERY THIS PAST YEAR. What a brave and bold woman of FAITH! I love her. ***A woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised*** (*Proverbs 31:30*).

AS I WRITE, I'M NOW REMEMBERING THAT ANNA M. WAITE SPOKE AT GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH ONE YEAR. Her topic was on ***"SEPARATION--Biblical and Personal."*** It is **one of the doctrinal stands of**

the Dean Burgon Society. Thought about her speech all that year as I recalled the many *separations* in my life from people, places, and things. ***What woman is she that feareth the LORD? Her shall He teach in the way that He shall choose*** (*Psalm 25:12*).

NOW IT IS "TODAY!" THE DEAN BURGON WOMEN WILL MEET AGAIN AT GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH in 2013. The date is July 24th. The time is ten o'clock in the morning. The place is the church auditorium. ***"Let us, WHO ARE OF THE DAY, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation"*** (*I Thessalonians 5:6*). **We are looking forward for memories to be stirred, and for hearing with joy the lovely Words of God.** I plan to review DR. DAVID BENNETT'S new book, **GOD'S MARVELOUS BOOK--THE BIBLE**, as well as remembering **RECENT LESSONS LEARNED IN GOD'S SCHOOL OF LIFE.**

WHEN THE DEAN BURGON WOMEN GATHER THIS YEAR IN MASSACHUSETTS, I HOPE TO SEE YOU. Everyone of you is important to me. We've been meeting more years than I remember. It has been MY JOY to see YOU WOMEN, grow in YOUR knowledge of the defense of the King James Bible and its underlying Hebrew, Aramaic, & Greek texts! **WE DBS WOMEN HAVE A STORY TO TELL, TOO!** Let's never forget it. **SEE YOU ON JULY 24TH THIS YEAR! (2013)** The TIME is ten o'clock. The PLACE is the main church auditorium. **SEE YOU! DBS**



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In January, the Society submitted IRS form 990-N electronically to the IRS for year 2012. The 990-N needs to be submitted every three years for organizations whose revenue is less than fifty thousand dollars per year.

The three year rule is relatively new; and because the society did not submit one for fiscal year 2011, the IRS required the society to submit a new form 1023 in order to be reinstated (this form was submitted in February of 2012). Form 1023 is the same form that was submitted when the society was established in 1978.

It took approximately ten months for the IRS to process, review, and approve form 1023. The IRS recognizes the DBS as a public charity. Gifts and contributions to the society are tax deductible for individuals who choose to itemize. **DBS**



DBS 2013 Pre-Registration Form

Please fill out this pre-registration form and mail it to the Dean Burgon Society, PO Box 354, Collingswood, New Jersey, 08108. **All women are welcome to attend the Ladies' meeting and all men are welcome to attend the Executive Committee meeting.**

Lord willing, I will attend at least one session during the conference. I have checked the boxes below beside the sessions I am planning on attending.

Wednesday July 24, 2013	Thursday July 25, 2013
9:00 AM Executive Committee: <input type="checkbox"/>	
10:00 AM DBS Ladies' Meeting: <input type="checkbox"/>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Session 3: <input type="checkbox"/>
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM Session 1: <input type="checkbox"/>	2:00 PM – 5:00 PM Session 4: <input type="checkbox"/>
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Session 2: <input type="checkbox"/>	7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Session 5: <input type="checkbox"/>

Check the box if you desire to stay on the grounds for any meals that might be served. Lord willing, a modest lunch will be provided to THE FIRST 75 PRE-REGISTRANTS before sessions one and four (freewill offering available).

Name: _____

Spouses' name (if attending): _____

Names & ages of others living at home (if attending): _____

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Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Name of Your Church: _____

Name of Your Pastor: _____

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For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven. Thy faithfulness is unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it abideth (Psalm 119:89-90).



This July 24 & 25, the Society will hold our 35th annual meeting in Massachusetts. All women are welcome to attend the ladies' meeting and all men are welcome to attend the executive committee meeting. Join us as we Rejoice in God's Written Words. Pastor Kirk DiVietro and the saints at Grace Baptist Church of Franklin have extended a warm invitation to the Society to hold our annual conference in Grace's newly renovated auditorium. Last year in Marietta Dr. Kirk DiVietro preached an excellent message entitled, *Who Suffered for Preservation*. When you have a moment look it up online, you will not be disappointed.

There is a definite need for Christians in every corner of the world to have complete confidence in God's words which are currently under assault by the enemies of Scripture. Come and be encouraged at the DBS meeting in Franklin on July 24th & 25th. If you will be viewing the meeting online submit questions or comments to: Questions@BFTBC.org.

The Christians in Franklin stand with us on the King James Bible and its underlying Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek WORDS. Grace Baptist is a fundamental church in complete agreement with the Dean Burgon Society's Articles of Faith. Grace Baptist is located at 69 Beaver Street, Franklin, Massachusetts 02038. Although there are expenses for Grace Baptist Church and the Dean Burgon Society, there is no fee for the conference. If you plan to come fill out the pre-registration form located on page seven, or come anyhow without it filled in.

The Dean Burgon Society has but one purpose--In Defense of Traditional Bible Texts. Since June, 1978, this organization has, by its members, speakers, officers, and friends, held high the banner of such Traditional Texts as the Masoretic Hebrew, Aramaic, and the Textus Receptus Greek, the King James Bible, and other language versions based upon the Traditional Hebrew and Greek texts. While many of the speakers have their own ministries and various emphases therein, when they come together once each year for our annual society meeting,

we lay aside other issues, and major on this one theme In Defense of Traditional Bible Texts.

The Publication of the DBS Messages. There are three means of publishing the messages at the Dean Burgon Society conferences: (1) Audio Cassettes of all the messages; (2) DVDs of all the messages; and (3) Printed forms of most of the messages in the DBS Message Book. If you are unable to attend, you might consider informing yourself on these issues by one or all of these three ways.

Pre-order your audio and/or DVDs tapes of our 35th annual DBS conference. We expect to have 6 two-hour audio cassettes for a GIFT to DBS of \$19.00 + \$6 S&H. Two DVDs for a gift to DBS of \$20.00 + \$5 S&H. Whether you are able or not able to attend our meetings in Franklin, MA, July 24-25, 2013, you can have these permanent records of our speakers to share with others and to review for yourself.

If you are FLYING to the Conference. The preferred AIRPORT is in Providence, RI (PVD). If anyone needs transportation from and to the airport, it is necessary for you to give Dr. DiVietro *advanced notice* so he can plan accordingly. (However, only if the price is *significantly* cheaper to fly to Boston Logan Airport, he can pick you up there.) If you need transportation from and to bus stations, train stations, or airports, *you must let Dr. DiVietro know in advance*. Call him at 508-528-8100.

Dr. DiVietro has made special arrangements with the La Quinta Inn in Milford. They are located at exit 19 on I-495. La Quinta Inn, 24 Beaver Street, Milford, MA 01757. Phone: 508-478-8243. Visit GraceBaptistChurch.net for more information. **DBS**



Rejoicing in God's Written Words

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July 24-25, 2013, at Grace Baptist Church of Franklin, Massachusetts

Day One ~ Wednesday July 24, 2013
LADIES MEETING 10:00 AM to 12:00

Day Two ~ Thursday July 25, 2013
SESSION THREE 9:00 AM to 12:00



The Dean Burgon Ladies Meeting Grace Baptist Church



Preservation and NT Textual Deviations

James Grumblatt – Waterford, Michigan

- Small business owner: Computer technician
- DBS Advisory Council member



The Simple Truth

Pastor Ken Rainey – Greenville, South Carolina

- Pastor of the Wayside Baptist Church
- DBS Advisory Council member

SESSION ONE 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

SESSION FOUR 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM



False Teachings of the Bible of Rome

Daniel S. Waite – Collingswood, New Jersey

- Assistant Pastor of Bible For Today Baptist Church
- VP & Treasurer of the Dean Burgon Society
- Managing Editor of the *Dean Burgon Society News*



Old Testament Illustrations of Preservation

Dr. Samuel Yun – East Windsor, New Jersey

- Professor of Old Testament
- Church planter
- DBS Advisory Council member



Five Smooth Stones

Dr. David Bennett – Dubbo, Australia

- Veteran missionary church planter
- DBS Executive Committee member
- Author of God's Marvelous Book — The Bible



My Personal Defense of the King James Bible Dr.

David Cooper – Marietta, Georgia

- Pastor of Bible Baptist Church
- DBS Advisory Council member



Be Not Many Masters

Robert Winograd – Lincolnshire, Illinois

- Small business owner: Aquarian technician
- DBS Advisory Council member



Leaven in Our Churches

William Sheppard – Collingswood, New Jersey

- Retired salesman
- DBS Advisory Council member

SESSION TWO 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

SESSION FIVE 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM



The Dangers of Ruckmanism

Dr. Ed DeWitt – Galesburg, Illinois

- Pastor of the Allan Park Baptist Church
- Director of Bible Quest Ministries
- DBS Executive Committee member
- Author of *God Keeps His Words*



Errors of Kittel & Stuttgart's Hebrew Text

Dr. Kirk DiVietro – Franklin, Massachusetts

- Pastor of Grace Baptist Church
- Secretary of the Dean Burgon Society
- Author of *Cleaning Up Hazardous Materials*



Islam and the King James Bible

Dr. Christian Spencer – Collingswood, New Jersey

- Pastor of the historic Bible Presbyterian Church
- Headmaster of Faith Christian School
- DBS Advisory Council member



The Biblical Defects of the KJBRC

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Lord willing all sessions will be streamed live. See www.DeanBurgonsociety.org for details.

How Long Did King Saul Reign?

Dr. Jack Moorman



I bring greetings to you from London, England I am the pastor at Bethel Baptist Church in the area of Buckingham Palace (as the crow flies about six and a half miles). London is a very vast, great city! As you would know it is Europe's largest city. Nearly every day we are on the streets and give out gospel literature. Today we were at the East Street Market on Walrus Road which is about three quarters of a mile from the Metropolitan

Tabernacle. We go out every day trying to give out the Word of God.

I want to speak to you at the beginning in connection with the *Manuscript Digest* that was presented to you last year. One of the big problems with it is the total understatement of the Greek manuscript efforts. There is a lot in there on versions and on the fathers, but not so much on the Greek efforts. In order to regress this I thought it would be good if we could present a complete list of all of the Greek manuscripts. The Society in Germany, who keep a register of all of the manuscripts, say that there is about 120 papyri, about 320 uncials, about 2800 minuscules, and about 2450 lectionaries. This is a great number of manuscripts. However, the strange thing about it is, it is very, very difficult to get a complete list. You can for the papyri, but it is not quite so easily for the uncials and certainly not for the minuscules or for the lectionaries.

The Greek New Testament which is the basis of modern versions has a twofold pillar (so called) that is Codex Sinaiticus and Codex Vaticanus, and whatever else they can gather together. Certainly with respect to the Greek evidence it has been rather difficult for them because in here you will find a number of Greek manuscripts listed as consistent witnesses of the first order and consistent

witnesses of the second order. And these are a few, just a handful of manuscripts that give some support for the kind that Sinaiticus, Vaticanus type of text.

It would really be a good demonstration if we could compare these constituent witnesses that they constantly quote with the entire list, with the complete roll call. I think this is a bit of an embarrassment for them. Frankly, I do not know whether there is a conspiracy or not, but it is extremely difficult to get a complete list, a list that shows every manuscript and also shows the date and especially shows the content. For example, we would like to know how many manuscripts are available for the gospel of Luke or for First Timothy chapter three. And this would not be difficult for them to tell us. If you have got access to such a list, please let me know certainly by next year's Dean Burgon Society meeting. I really would like to have it. And I have looked and looked. I am still looking. I hope to get a complete list. And we need to have roll call of the manuscripts.

I would like to direct your attention in your Bibles to 1 Samuel 13:1, I want to speak on a matter that may sound a little bit strange to begin with, but I think you will see what we are all trying to get to here. The verse says, "Saul reigned one year; and when he had reigned two years over Israel."

... Saul reigned two years.

The Ryrie Study Bible unites with many other study Bibles and other sources to tell us the original numbers in this verse have apparently been lost in translation. They have not been lost.

Christ, our Lord Jesus Christ said it would be easier to lose "heaven and earth" than it would be to lose one of his words from the Bible.

It is just as we read it here. And the theme of my message is, "How Long Did Saul Reign?" Or we could entitle it, "Four Lessons Not Learned." Notice Acts 13:21 says, "And afterward they desired a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years." Now I want to get back to my question: How long did Saul reign?



Many think the Old Testament does not tell us how long he reigned. In fact, it does tell us how long he reigned. Many people say in order to discover how long King Saul reigned you have to go to the book of Acts and there you discover that he reigned 40 years. In fact, Saul reigned two years. In Acts chapter thirteen verse twenty-one the rest was just space. "God gave unto them Saul by the space of forty years."

He was just occupying space

Saul reigned up until First Samuel chapter thirteen, from then on he was not effective against the Philistines. He was just occupying space. 1 Samuel 15:26 says, "And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel."

He got it wrong at the Bible. And if a preacher gets it wrong at the Bible he cannot reign. He cannot have a spring in his step. He cannot have a sparkle in his eye. He cannot be rejoicing in the Lord. If a preacher rejects the verbal, plenary preservation of the Words of God, then he has, in effect, cut himself off from the verbal, plenary inspiration of the Words of God. You cannot really have one without the other. He cannot reign! He cannot be victorious!

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I have a copy of the "Articles of Faith, Operation, and Organization" of The Dean Burgon Society, Incorporated. After reading these "Articles," I wish to state, by my signature below, that I believe in and accept such "Articles." I understand that my "Membership" is for one year and that I must renew my "Membership" at that time in order to remain a "Member" in good standing of the Society.

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**But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud,
but giveth grace unto the humble (James 4:6).**



Now he may be a powerful speaker. He may be a great administrator. He may have a large congregation; but if he gets it wrong at the Words of God, if he rejects the fact that God has, in fact, preserved his Words down through the ages, then he cannot reign. He cannot be victorious in the Lord.

At the beginning of Saul's ministry or at the beginning of his kingship or after his anointing Samuel gave Saul four signs or he recorded four things would happen to Saul on that day after Samuel anointed him. There are four great lessons for us who are involved in this battle for the text and translation, the text and translation and translation of our standard Bible. 1 Samuel 10:1, says, "Then Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured it upon his head." In verse two he said, "Now, Saul, you are going to see four things.

Consider, ponder, get them into your heart because they are going to affect you for the rest of your life."

Now, those of us who hold to the received text and the Authorized Version, we have wonderful heritage

He said, "The first thing you are going to do is you are going to go to Rachel's sepulcher." Ponder there in verse two. In verse three he said, "You are going to come to the plain of Tabor and when you go to the plain of Tabor you are going to see three men going up to Bethel. And you will notice they are going to be carrying different things, different loads on those definitely less severe than the others.

It mentions three kids and another carrying three loaves of bread and another carrying a bottle of wine. You know, these were for sacrifices before the throne, the altar of sacrifice. Then on the road to Bethel. As you go further in verse five you are going to see some men coming down from the hill of God. And they are going to be carrying some musical instruments and psaltery and they will prophesy." But the point is the hill of God is going to be in the hand of the Philistines.

And then, fourthly, Saul, don't do anything, in verse eight. "Never go to battle. Never make an important decision until you go to Gilgal." Now here are four lessons that Saul was to learn. And I am going to show you how that in many ways these are four lessons for you and me who are involved in this textual battle. There was:

- 1) Rachel's sepulcher,
- 2) there was the road to Bethel,
- 3) there was the hill of God in the hands of the Philistines
- 4) and there was Gilgal.

Rachel's sepulcher. Rachel died giving birth to Benjamin, Saul's own tribe. "Saul, remember your physical, remember your spiritual heritage." Now, those of us who hold to the received text and the Authorized Version, we have wonderful heritage, just a



marvelous heritage. God who remembers it. Remember those who labored over the manuscripts. I believe God superintended as they copied the manuscripts down through those long sections. Remember them, the early editors of

God has in fact preserved his words down through the centuries

the received text who brought the manuscripts to publication. Remember Stephanus. Remember those Godly men in the early 1600s who as their preface says, "Sought him that had the key of David" and took these inspired, preserved words in Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek and translated them into our timeless Authorized Version. Remember. "Remember Rachel's sepulcher, Saul."

We have a godly heritage, too. Remember those who have defended this great book, this Authorized Version. Remember John Burgon of Chichester. It is about 45 miles to the south of Bethel Baptist Church of London where I pastor. Remember how he stood alone against the Westcott and Hort juggernaut that was trundling across Europe. Remember some of the later defenders who alerted the later generation as to what was happening. Remember Edward Hills. Remember David Otis Fuller and of course others. And so rather than just occupy space, we can remember our Godly heritage.

The second lesson that Saul was to learn was how to do what those on the road to Bethel, they were not named, going to Bethel in those days. But Saul, a man for names, saw three going up to Bethel. And there, Bethel, the house of God, there where Abraham, there where Jacob had previously met with God. "And so Saul consider those on the road to Bethel. Make friends with them." The Bible says, "observe them." "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise" (Proverbs 13:20).

Frankly, why the Dean Burgon Society is so important in providing a tried,



proven fellowship for those who literally take the Scriptures and God will in fact and has in fact preserved his words down through the centuries. It is a good road that we are on. It is the road to Bethel. And then we discovered in our reading here that from verses three and four, on the road to Bethel, Saul discovered that some were capable of carrying more than others were. Obviously three loaves of bread were easier to carry than three kids of three goats. And so in this defense and dissemination of the Authorized Version as translations in foreign languages based upon it, everyone has a part. Everyone can carry something. So if you put your hand to this plow you will discover that you have embarked upon a very good work. You will not just be occupying space, but we are reigning. There will be a victory. **The third lesson that Saul was to learn had to do with the hill of God.** The hill of God was in the hands of the Philistines. Now it was not all lost because some were coming down from the hill and some



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For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith:
as it is written, The just shall live by faith (Romans 1:17).



did have a testimony for the Lord. But the hill of God was in the hand of the Philistines. Things are looking very grim today. I pay for a newspaper on a monthly basis and I asked the newspaper agent if I needed to pay for this? Could I not just pay for the good news? And the news is really bad. Oh, it is. We know the Lord is coming soon. Jeremiah 6:4 says, “The shadows of the evening are stretched out.”

I am afraid that the hills of God are in the hands of the Philistines, the great institutions of fundamentalists and they do not fight for the good thing done. We would be much poorer without the good that they have done. But I am afraid as far as

their Greek departments, their textual teaching, it is pretty much in the hands of the Philistines. Perhaps in previous generations it had been, through ignorance—and I mean we were all ignorant of this—we didn’t understand it. Somebody had to tell us.

Do not undertake anything of importance until you first go to Gilgal.

I remember a missionary from Australia back in 1970. His name was Randy Pike. Some of you may know him. He told me about this when I was in Johannesburg, South Africa. I am very grateful to him for it. And it had the ring of truth. It is possible that an earlier generation was a little bit in ignorance. But not so much now. In recent years, people in the Greek departments of some of the great fundamental institutions, I am

afraid have become much more strident in their attack upon the Authorized Version and upon the received text. This is such a time to encourage the afore Bible training institutions, to encourage those who are on the right road to do all that we can in this matter.

The fourth lesson that Saul was to learn, and I think we are to learn, is “Saul, don’t do anything until,” verses seven and eight, “Do not do anything until you go to Gilgal. Do not take upon any vow, do not take any great work or undertake anything of importance until you first go to Gilgal. I will meet you at Gilgal.” Gilgal was the place of Israel’s first encampment. It was a place where the stones, the memorial stones were set up. It was the place where, to use the Scriptural term, “the reproach of Egypt” was rolled away. It was a place where they prepared themselves to go and to take Jericho. “Saul, do not do anything until you go to Gilgal. I will meet you there.”

There at Gilgal Saul learned the Scriptures. There at Gilgal they had the sacrifices. And I would say that in this textual battle we need to go to Gilgal. We need to keep our hearts right. “The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds.” (2 Corinthians 10:4)

The book, the blood, the blessed hope will ever be at the center of our endeavors in this conflict. How long did Saul reign? He only reigned two years, thirty-eight years just occupying space. **DBS**

Prayer Requests

- Pastor Jack Moorman and the work at Bethel Baptist of London
- The funds for the trip to Massachusetts for all who desire to come.
- The speakers (and their families) for the 35th annual meeting.
- The church planting endeavors of Samuel Yun in Korea.
- That Christians will understand the importance of Biblical defense.
- Salvation for Rob Winograd’s mother.
- Mild weather for the 35th annual conference in Franklin.
- Pastor Kirk DiVietro of Grace Baptist Church, Franklin, Massachusetts
- The new members of the DBS Advisory Council
- Health of Pastor Rainey’s son Greg who needs to find a closer doctor.
- The health of Pastor Bob Barnett and his wife.
- Health of Chris and Jim Grumblatt’s daughter Haley
- Tamara and Daniel Waite’s daughter Anna during summer research.
- Health of Judy and Christian Spencer’s two new grandsons.



Daniel S. Waite

Element#1

It should be feared

He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses (Exodus 9:20).

The Words of God are the foundation of every aspect of our lives. Without this inerrant, infallible, and inspired book then one has no theological foundation on which to stand. One of the many disciplines of science is the continued development of the periodic table of the elements, which elements are foundational and essential to the material world. The God ordained stability of the elements is necessary for the universe and all that is contained therein to function properly.

The Christian should embrace the elements of Scripture which are important to govern ones life. The Bible has dozens of elements that must be observed by each believer. The first two elements to be considered is *fearing* the Scripture and the contrapositive to fearing is *ignoring* the Scripture. These two elements of Scripture pertains to how one reverences the Words of the living God.

Near the beginning of the third phase of Moses' life – just prior to Israel's departure from the land of Egypt—God

brought upon those heathen people ten grievous plagues: 1) blood, 2) frogs, 3) lice, 4) flies, 5) murrain, 6) boils, 7) hail, 8) locusts, 9) darkness, and 10) death of the firstborn.

This first pair of Elements of the Scripture comes from heathen's two-fold response to the Words of the God during the seventh plague (Exodus 9:13-35). Some of the Egyptians "*feared the word of the LORD,*" while others "*regarded not the word of the LORD*" (Exodus 9:20-21).

Obviously, there is a difference between fearing God's Words and disregarding God's words. The warning of the LORD was evident: ". . . *Look for more elements of Scripture in future issues of the DBS News.*

brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die" (Exodus 9:19). Sadly, everyone of the Egyptians who disregarded "*the word of the LORD*" perished.

Heeding the clear warning of God and responding to His words with fear is foundational for obedience to God. Disregarding His Words brings nothing but sorrow and chastisement. Fear God and keep his commandments (Ecclesiastes 12:13). The elements of Scripture are stable. They are essential for all Christians who desire to function properly. **DBS**



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THE ARTICLES OF FAITH OF THE DEAN BURGON SOCIETY

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Acknowledging the Bible to be the inerrant, infallible, plenary and verbally inspired Word of God, among other equally Biblical truths, we believe and maintain the following:

A. The Bible: We believe in the plenary, verbal, Divine inspiration of the sixty-six canonical books of the Old and the New Testaments (from Genesis to Revelation) in the original languages, and in their consequent infallibility and inerrancy in all matters of which they speak (2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:21; 1 Thessalonians 2:13). The books known as the Apocrypha, however, are not the inspired Word of God in any sense whatsoever. As the Bible uses it, the term "inspiration" refers to the writings, not the writers (2 Timothy 3:16-17); the writers are spoken of as being "holy men of God" who were "moved," "carried" or "borne" along by the Holy Spirit (2 Peter 1:21) in such a definite way that their writings were supernaturally, planarity, and verbally inspired, free from any error, infallible, and inerrant, as no other writings have ever been or ever will be inspired.

We believe that the Texts which are the closest to the original autographs of the Bible are the Traditional Masoretic Hebrew Text for the Old Testament, and the traditional Greek Text for the New Testament underlying the King James Version (as found in "The Greek Text Underlying The English Authorized Version of 1611").

We believe that the King James Version (or Authorized Version) of the English Bible is a true, faithful, and accurate translation of these two providentially preserved Texts, which in our time has no equal among all of the other English Translations. The translators did such a fine job in their translation task that we can without apology hold up the Authorized Version of 1611 and say "This is the WORD OF GOD!" while at the same time realizing that, in some verses, we must go back to the underlying original language Texts for complete clarity, and also compare Scripture with Scripture.

We believe that all the verses in the King James Version belong in the Old and the New Testaments because they represent words we believe were in the original texts, although there might be other renderings from the original languages which could also be acceptable to us today. For an exhaustive study of any of the words or verses in the Bible, we urge the student to return directly to the Traditional Masoretic Hebrew Text and the Traditional Received Greek Text rather than to any other translation for help.

B. The Trinity: We believe in the Deity, unity, equality, and eternity of the Triune God: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. This Triune God is the One living and true God; everlasting, immutable, of infinite power, wisdom, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth; the Maker and Preserver of all things, both visible and invisible; subsisting in Three Persons, of one substance, power, and eternity. The Holy Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son, is of one substance, majesty, and glory, with the Father and the Son, very and eternal God.

We believe the ministries of the Holy Spirit during this age of Grace, among others, include the following: For the unsaved--restraining and convicting. For the saved--regenerating, sealing, indwelling, filling, guiding into all truth, glorifying

Christ, teaching, and showing things to come. We believe that the so-called "sign gifts" (1 Corinthians 12:7-11) of the Holy Spirit (such as tongues, prophecy, knowledge, etc.) ceased with the completion of the New Testament canon around 90 or 100 A.D. and are not present today (1 Corinthians 13:8-12; Hebrews 1:2; 2:34).

C. The Person of Christ: We believe in the essential, absolute, eternal Deity; and the real and proper, but perfect and sinless, humanity of our Lord Jesus Christ. Christ is the eternal Son of God, the Second Person of the Trinity, being very and eternal God, of one substance and equal with the Father, and when the fullness of time was come He took upon Him man's nature, with all the essential properties thereof, yet without sin, being conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit in the womb of the virgin Mary, of her substance; so that the two whole, perfect and distinct natures, the Godhead and Manhood, were inseparably joined together in one Person, without conversion, composition, or confusion, Which Person is very God and very Man, yet one Christ, the only Mediator between God and man. The Lord Jesus Christ in His human nature thus united to the Divine, was sanctified, anointed with the Holy Spirit above measure; having in Him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge; in Whom it pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell; to the end that being holy, harmless, undefiled, and full of grace and truth, He might be thoroughly furnished to execute the office of Mediator and Surety. Christ was made like unto us in all things, sin only excepted, from which He was clearly void, both in His flesh and in His spirit. He came to be the Lamb without spot, Who, by the sacrifice of Himself once made, takes away the sin of the world (John 1:29), and in Him is no sin (1 John 3:5). But all the rest of us, although born again in Christ by faith, yet offend in many things; and if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us (1 John 1:10).

D. Birth of Christ: We believe in Christ's miraculous virgin birth of Mary as the Bible clearly teaches.

E. The Death of Christ: We believe in Christ's substitutionary, propitiatory, expiatory, vicarious death, and in the atoning power of His redeeming blood. "Ye were not redeemed with corruptible things . . . but with the precious blood of Christ. . ." (1 Peter 1:18-21).

F. The Resurrection of Christ: We believe Christ did truly rise again from the dead; and took again His same body in which He was crucified, with flesh, bones, and all things appertaining to His resurrection body. In His resurrection body, He ascended into Heaven, and there sits on the right hand of God the Father, interceding for His own. He will return in this same body to fulfill all the Scriptures pertaining to the events surrounding His Second Coming and in power and great glory to judge men.

G. Salvation: We believe that salvation accomplished by Christ is experienced only through the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit by the Word of God, not by works, but by God's sovereign grace through personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour (Titus 3:5; Ephesians 2:8-10).

H. Heaven and Hell: We believe in the everlasting bliss of the saved in the place called Heaven, and in the everlasting suffering of the lost in the place called Hell-fire.

I. Spiritual Unity: We believe in the real spiritual unity in Christ of all redeemed by His precious blood.

J. Purity of the Church: We believe in the necessity of maintaining, according to the Word of God, the purity of the local churches in doctrine and life.

K. Separation: We believe in obedience to the Biblical commands to separate ourselves unto God and from worldliness, ecclesiastical apostasy, and "disorderly" brethren. (2 Corinthians 6:14-7; 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10; 2 Thessalonians 3:6,11, 14-15; 1 Timothy 6:3-5; Romans 16:17; 2 John 1:9-11).

L. Creation: We believe in the Biblical account of the creation of the entire universe, angels, and man; that this account is neither allegory nor myth, but a literal, historical account of the direct, immediate creative acts of God in six literal solar days without any evolutionary process, either naturalistic or theistic; that man was created by a direct work of God and not from previously existing forms of life; and that all men are descended from the historical Adam and Eve, the first parents of the entire human race. (Genesis 1-2; Colossians 1: 6-17; John 1:3).

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