

John 7:8-10 Did Jesus Lie?

In the King James Bible we read: "Go ye up unto this feast: I go not YET unto this feast; for my time is not yet full come. When he had said these words unto them, he abode still in Galilee. But when his brethren were gone up, THEN went he also up unto the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret."

The reading of "not yet" (oupw) is that found in the vast Majority of all Greek texts including P66, P75, Vaticanus, L,T, W, Delta and in some Old Latin copies and in the Syriac Peshitta, Harkelian, Palestinian and the Coptic Sahidic and Boharic ancient versions.

The old NIVs of 1973, 1978 and 1984 also read this way saying: "I am NOT YET going up to this Feast". However now the 2011 has once again changed its underlying Greek texts and now has Jesus lying to His disciples by saying: "You go to this festival. I AM NOT GOING up to this festival, because my time has not yet fully come."

The reading of "NOT going" is ouk as opposed to oupw, and is the reading found in the Sinaitic manuscript and D. Even Westcott and Hort and the previous Nestle Aland critical texts (4th edition 1934) used to follow the Greek reading found in the King James Bible and in all Reformation bibles - "not YET going", but later on the Nestle Aland, (21st and 27th editions) and UBS (United Bible Society - the Vatican/Evangelical "interconfessional text") changed their minds and have now gone with the other reading that is not even the oldest reading, and the result is that many of these new "Catholic versions" have Jesus LYING to His disciples by saying that He is NOT going to the Feast and then turning around and going to the Feast.

See Undeniable Proof the ESV, NIV, NASBs are the new "Catholic" Vatican Versions here-

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Also agreeing with the new NIV 2011 and having Jesus say that He is NOT going to the feast and then He goes to the feast, are all the Catholic versions like the Douay-Rheims, the St. Joseph New American Bible 1970 and the New Jerusalem bible of 1985, and the NASB, ASV, NET, RSV, NRSV, ESV.

Bible translations that agree with the KJB reading that Jesus said He was NOT YET going, and then later on He DID go, are Tyndale 1525, Coverdale 1535, Bishops's Bible 1568, the Geneva Bible 1587, the NKJV 1982, the New Berkeley Version 1969, Youngs, the Revised Version of 1885, Lamsa's translation of the Syriac Peshitta, the Holman Standard of 2003 and the brand new ISV (International Standard Version) as well as the Spanish Reina Valera 1569, 1909, 1995, -"yo no subo aún á esta fiesta", the Portuguese Almeida - "eu não subo ainda a esta festa", the French Martin and Ostervald -"pour moi, je n'y monte pas encore," the German Luther Bible -"Ich will

noch nicht hinaufgehen auf dieses Fest” and the Italian Diodati 1649 and the New Diodati 1991 - “io non salgo ancora a questa festa” to name but a few.

NIV 1973, 1978 and 1984 - "You go up to the Feast. I am NOT YET going up to this Feast, because for me the right time has not yet come." Having said this, he stayed in Galilee. However, after his brothers had left for the Feast, he went also, not publicly, but in secret."

NIV 2011 - "You go to the festival. I AM NOT GOING up to this festival, because my time has not yet fully come." After he had said this, he stayed in Galilee. However, after his brothers had left for the festival, he went also, not publicly, but in secret."

Daniel Wallace's NET version has the Lord saying He is NOT going to the feast, and then going. But the thinking of such "scholars" is revealed in his own footnotes where he says: “Most mss (P66,75 B L T W 070 0105 0250 Æ1,13 Ī sa), **including most of the better witnesses**, have “not yet” here. Those with the reading "not" (ouk) are not as impressive (D K 1241 al lat), but "ouk" is the more difficult reading here, especially because it stands in tension with v. 10."

So, in other words, because it absurdly makes our Lord Jesus a liar, it must be right!

Wilbur Pickering, who himself is not even a KJB onlyist, comments on this blunder: Serious Anomalies/Aberrations -John 7:8 oupw--P66,75,B,E,F,G,H,L,N,T,W,X,D,Q,Y 070, 0105, 0141, 0250, f1, 13, Byz, Lect, syr p, h, pal, co sa "NOT YET" ; ouk -- À, D, K, P, lat, syr s, c, co bo "NOT". **Problem: Since Jesus did in fact go to the feast (and doubtless knew what He was going to do), the UBS text has the effect of ascribing a falsehood to Him.**

Discussion: Since the UBS editors usually attach the highest value to P75 and B, isn't it strange that they reject them in this case? Here is Metzger's explanation: "The reading ["not yet"] was introduced at an early date (it is attested by P66,75) in order to alleviate the inconsistency between ver. 8 and ver. 10" (p. 216). So, they rejected P66,75 and B (as well as 99% of the MSS) because they preferred the "inconsistency". NASB, RSV, NEB and TEV stay with the eclectic text here. (end of comments by Dr. Pickering.)

Also in just these three verses we see that the word “this” of THIS FEAST is omitted by Vaticanus but found in Sinaiticus, and the NASB and NIV both omit the word, while "UNTO THEM" is in the NASB and Vaticanus, but not in the NIV or Sinaiticus, and "AS IT WERE" is in Vaticanus and the NASB, but not in Sinaiticus or the NIV. This is the character of these two manuscripts and bible versions in a nutshell.

Notes from the Internet - This interchange occurred in March of 2011 at a Facebook club called The King James Bible Debate –

AI posts: "One thing to consider if you might be involved with a cult - do they tenaciously teach something, as a very important doctrine, that is not taught in Scripture? For example:

Jesus is God (taught in Scripture) - okay!

Jesus died (taught in Scripture) - okay!

Jesus rose again (taught in Scripture) - okay!

Jesus is only a man (NOT taught in Scripture) - warning signs!

Mary is to be worshipped (NOT taught in Scripture) - warning signs!

The KJV is the only valid version (NOT taught in a single verse of Scripture since the KJV didn't even exist then) - warning signs!"

AI, before you hypocritically and unreasonably attack the KJB position, you should apply the same rules to your own view and that of other bible agnostics like yourself. Where in any Bible in any language does it teach or even hint at what YOU guys believe?

Can you site chapter and verse for any of these?

1. "Only the originals were inspired by God"
2. "The real words of God are found mixed up with thousands of variant readings in the surviving Greek manuscripts"
3. "No Bible is the perfect words of God; they all have errors in them."
4. "All bible versions, no matter how contradictory and different they might be textually, are the infallible words of God."
5. Where do you find anything even remotely close to any of these things that you bible agnostic types continue to throw at us on a daily basis?
6. What we DO know from Scripture is that God has promised to preserve His words. He says Heaven and earth shall pass away, but His words shall not pass away. He also says The Scripture cannot be broken. The Bible also tells us that God is a God of truth and He cannot lie. If I find lies in a "bible" version, then I know this is not the true words of God. This would be things like teaching that the children of Israel DECEIVED God as the

NASB, NET versions have it in Psalm 78:36. Or that Jesus Christ had "origins" as the NIV, RSV, ESV 2001 edition have it in Micah 5:2. Or that teach that Jesus lied in John 7:8-10 as the NASB, ESV and NIV 2011 teach.

7. Yet God tells us to search out and read "the book of the LORD" (Isaiah 34:16), so such a book must exist somewhere. It is NOT in the varied Hebrew texts; that is only part of a bible. It certainly is not in the thousands of variant readings in piles of manuscript scraps in Greek that few can read and that do not make up a Bible either.

Either God has acted in history to bring us "the book of the LORD" or He lied and is not to be trusted.

8. We King James Bible believers maintain that God did not lie but has kept His promises to preserve His words and He has done this in the end times masterpiece He provided and that has been mightily used as no other to bring the gospel to the nations, and is the ONLY Bible seriously believed by thousands throughout history and today to be the complete, inspired and 100% true words of God - the Authorized King James Holy Bible.

What have you guys to offer us in its place? The Vatican Versions that continue to change with each new edition and that NOBODY believes are the infallible words of God and that people actually read and study less and less. THAT is what you have to give us.

No thank you. I and many others will stick to our God honored and time tested King James Holy Bible.

Will Kinney

“If we would destroy the Christian religion, we must first of all destroy man’s belief in the Bible.” Voltaire - ex French philosopher and former atheist.

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