

An unrolled scroll of text, likely a manuscript, is the central focus. The scroll is made of light-colored parchment or paper and is written with dark ink in a cursive script. It is held open by a wooden handle on the left side, which has a turned, bulbous shape. The background is dark, making the scroll stand out. The text on the scroll is partially obscured by the large yellow title.

The Gospel of Mark

Chapter 16

Saturday 9th	Sunday 10th	Monday 11th	Tuesday 12th	Wednesday 13th	Thursday 14th	Friday 15th	Saturday 16th	Sunday 17th
<p>Sabbath Jesus arrives at Bethany after Sabbath has ended</p>	<p>Triumphal Entry 173,880 days complete Daniel 9:24-27</p>	<p>Fig tree cursed / Jesus turns the tables in the temple for the 2nd day running cf Matt 21:10-17 & Mark 11:15-19</p>	<p>Jesus gives 'Olivet discourse' stressing that deception will abound in the last days</p>	<p>Jesus & disciples prepare to eat the Passover meal this evening at sundown as it becomes the 14th</p>	<p>Feast of Passover Also: 'Day of Preparation'</p>	<p>Feast of Unleavened Bread High Sabbath</p>	<p>Sabbath</p>	<p>Feast of Firstfruits 1st day of Week</p>
<p>Exodus 12:3-6 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb... Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year... And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole congregation of Israel shall kill it [between the evenings]*</p>	<p>John 12:12-13 On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.</p>	<p>Mark 11:12-14 And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry: And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet. And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee</p>	<p>Mark 11:20-21 And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursed is withered away.</p>	<p>Mark 15:33-37 And when the sixth hour was come (12:00pm), there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour (3:00pm). And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? and gave up the ghost.</p>	<p>Mark 16:1-2 And he took [the body of Jesus] down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulcher... And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.</p>	<p>John 19:31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation (14th), that the bodies should not remain there, because it was the sabbath day (15th), that the bodies should not remain there (14th), the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulcher be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.</p>	<p>Exodus 12:18 On the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even is the feast of unleavened bread, seven days, and on the fifteenth day at even is the day of preparation (that being the fourteenth), the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulcher be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.</p>	<p>Resurrection!  The empty tomb</p>
<p>* The Hebrew word is 'Bein' which means 'between'</p>	<p>Mark 11:10-11aBlessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest. And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things....</p>	<p>Gen 1:5 "So the evening and the morning were the first day"</p>	<p>Mark 14:1 After two days was the feast of the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put him to death.</p>	<p>Matt 26:17-20 Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread..... See Ex 12:18 [above right]</p>	<p>Luke 23:53-54 And he took [the body of Jesus] down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulcher... And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.</p>	<p>Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD"</p>	<p>Deut 16:16 "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles"</p>	<p>Mark 10:34 And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him: and the third day he shall rise again.</p>
<p>This is another evidence of the supernatural design of the Bible. Just as in this model, laid down some 600 years before, Jesus was 'taken' on the 10th, and as a Lamb without blemish, was killed on the 14th between the evenings, shedding His own blood to become our Passover Lamb, atoning for our sin once and for all.</p>	<p>Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)</p>	<p>Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)</p>	<p>Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)</p>	<p>Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)</p>	<p>Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)</p>	<p>Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)</p>	<p>Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)</p>	<p>Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)</p>
<p>10th Begins John 12:1-2 Then Jesus six days before the passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom he raised from the dead. There they made him a supper (i.e. an evening meal)</p>	<p>11th Begins Mark 11:11b ...And now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve.</p>	<p>12th Begins Mark 11:19 And when even was come, he went out of the city.</p>	<p>13th Begins Mary pours costly oil on Jesus' feet & anoints His head; Judas, incensed, decides to go to the chief priests. A plot is hatched and planned for the following evening - only 24 hours from start to finish.</p>	<p>14th Begins Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve. Mark 14:12-18 And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and... eat the passover? ...And in the evening he cometh with the twelve. And as they sat and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me.</p>	<p>15th Begins 1st Night</p>	<p>16th Begins 2nd Night</p>	<p>17th begins 3rd Night</p>	<p>18th Begins Matt 12:40 For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth</p>
<p>NB: 'Passover' here is used to denote the 'festival' period commencing the 15th, not the supper on the 14th. It is also used this way in John 13:1. So after 6 days is the 15th & the feast.</p>	<p>Luke 22:1 Now the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover.</p>	<p>John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;</p>	<p>John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;</p>	<p>John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;</p>	<p>John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;</p>	<p>John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;</p>	<p>John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;</p>	<p>John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;</p>
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<p>The Gospel - as defined by the Apostle Paul "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you... For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures" (1 Cor 15:1-4)</p>	<p>According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits</p>	<p>According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits</p>	<p>According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits</p>	<p>According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits</p>	<p>According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits</p>	<p>According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits</p>	<p>According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits</p>	<p>According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits</p>
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Mark 16

3rd Day

3rd Night



- 1 And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.
- 2 And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

Mark 16:1-2

- **Sabbaths (Plural)**
 - **The Feast of Unleavened Bread + Weekly Sabbath**

- 3 And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?
- 4 And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.
- 5 And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.

Mark 16:3-5

- The stone would have weighed c.2 Tones
 - It would have been rolled down a slope into place

6 And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

7 But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.

Mark 16:6-7

8 And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any man; for they were afraid.

Mark 16:8

Vs 13-20: A Later Addition?

⁶But the man said, "Don't be afraid. You are looking for Jesus from Nazareth, who has been crucified. He has risen from the dead; he is not here. Look, here is the place where they laid him. ⁷Now go and tell his followers and Peter, 'Jesus is going into Galilee ahead of you, and you will see him there as he told you before.'"

⁸The women were confused and shaking with fear, so they left the tomb and ran away. They did not tell anyone about what happened, because they were afraid.

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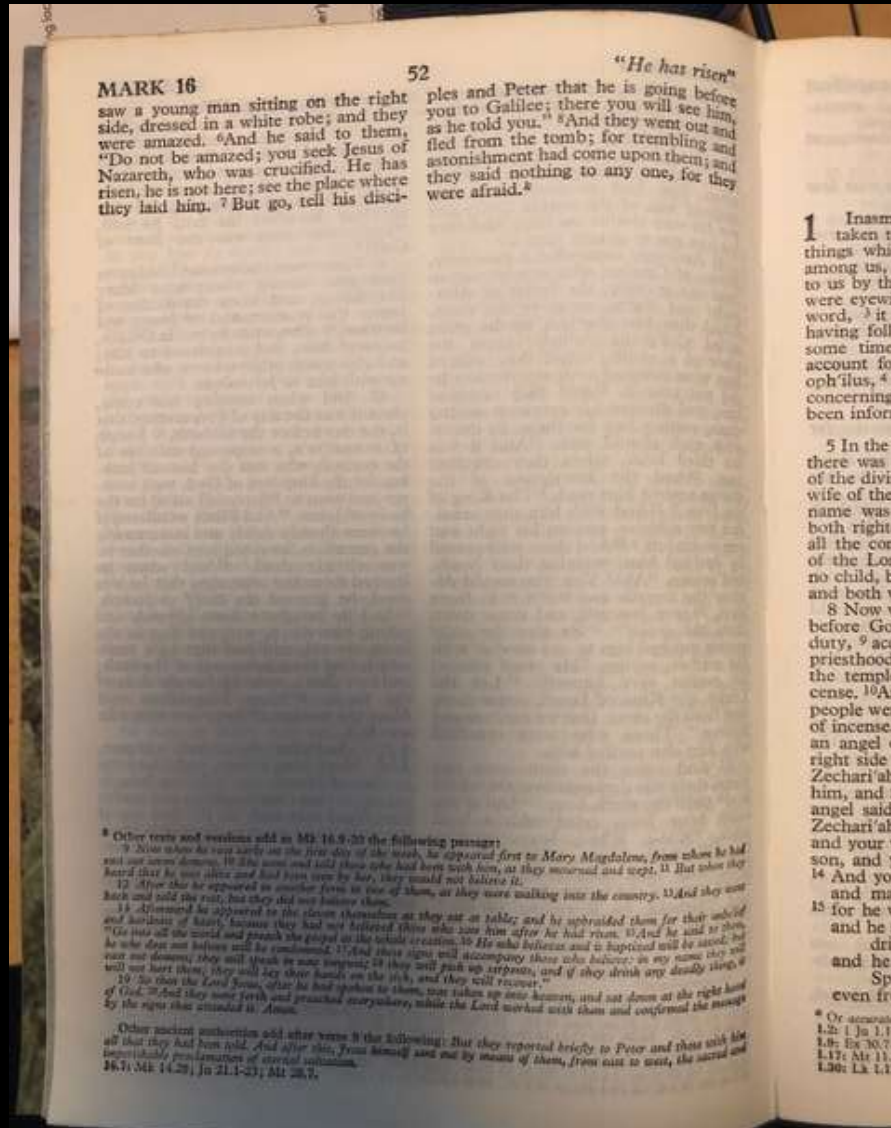
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"He has risen"

⁸ Other texts and versions add to Mk. 16:9-20 the following passage:

⁹ Now when he was early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had just set out seven demons. ¹⁰ She went and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept. ¹¹ But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it. ¹² After this he appeared to another form in two of them, as they were walking into the country. ¹³ And they went back and told the rest, but they did not believe them.

¹⁴ Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they sat at table, and he upbraided them for their unbelief and hard hearts of faith, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. ¹⁵ And he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel in the whole creation. ¹⁶ He who believes and is baptized will be saved, but he who does not believe will be condemned. ¹⁷ And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; ¹⁸ they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."

¹⁹ So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. ²⁰ And they now forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it. Amen.

Other ancient authorities add after verse 8 the following: But they reported briefly to Peter and those with him, inevitably proclaiming of eternal salvation.
 16:7: Mt. 14:29; Jn. 21:1-23; Mt. 28:7.

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⁶ Or according to 1:2; 1 Jn. 1:1; 1:9; Ex. 30:7; 1:17; Mt. 11:14; 1:30; Lk. 1:13.

The Best Manuscripts?

The two 'best' and 'oldest' manuscripts referred to are:

- the Codex Sinaiticus (A)
 - British Library
- the Codex Vaticanus (B)
 - Vatican (in Rome)
- Note: Apart from A & B, there are 18 other Uncal mss that all include 9-20
- + 600 Miniscule mss that ALL have these verses!
- Over 100 Early church father that preach from these verses!

Codex Sinaiticus “A”



Partly resides in the British Library

Codex Vaticanus "B"



Resides in the Vatican Library since 15th century

A Great Drama!

The Cast: Part 1

- Jude / Peter / Paul (Before 70 A.D.)
- The Gnostics / Alexandrian's / Origen 100-300 A.D.
- Jerome (The Latin Vulgate) 390 A.D.
- The Roman Catholic Church 315 A.D.-present day
- John Wycliffe 1384 A.D.
- Gutengerg (invents printing press) 1455 A.D.
- Erasmus of Rotterdam 1466 A.D.
- William Tynedale 1525 A.D.
- King James I 1611 A.D.

The History of the English Bible

John Wycliffe. 1380 A.D.
1st (hand copied)
translation of the Bible in
English

New
Testament
books
written

Careful copies
made & spread
around the world

Erasmus (Textus Receptus)
1466 A.D. Gr & Latin

William Tyndale
1525 A.D. Finished his work

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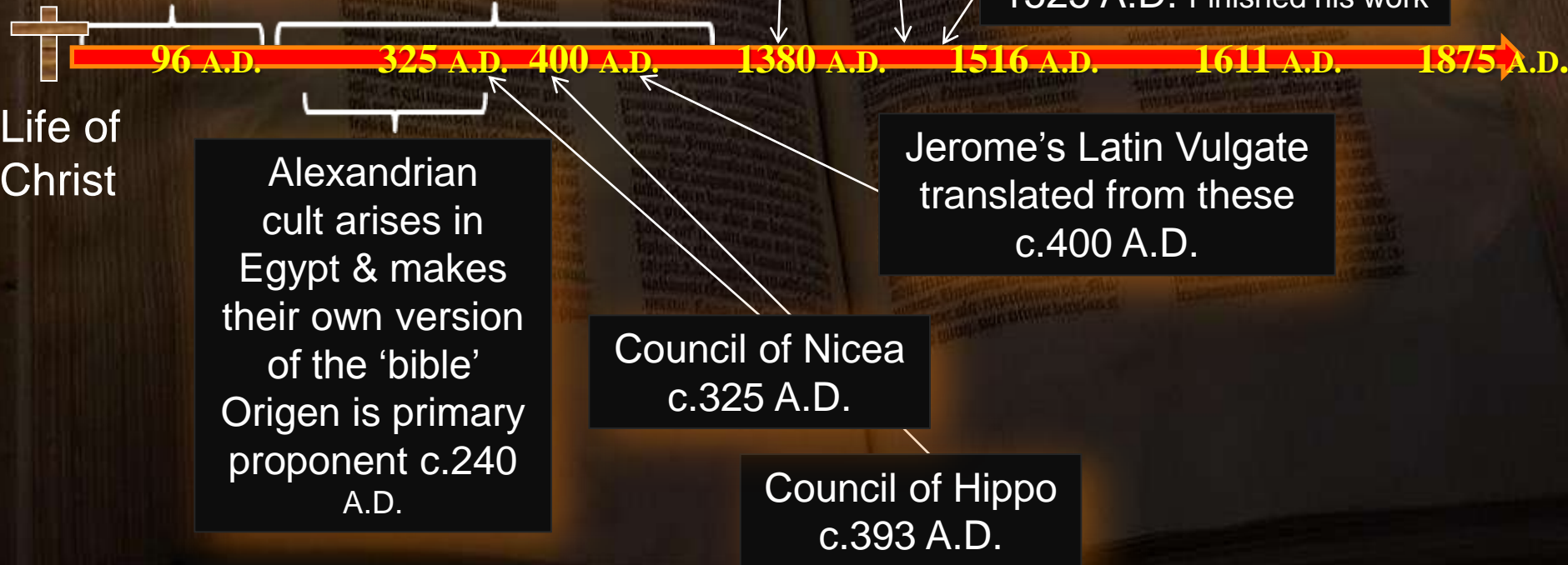
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Alexandrian
cult arises in
Egypt & makes
their own version
of the 'bible'
Origen is primary
proponent c.240
A.D.

Council of Nicea
c.325 A.D.

Council of Hippo
c.393 A.D.

Jerome's Latin Vulgate
translated from these
c.400 A.D.



William Tyndale

A statue of William Tyndale stands on a stone pedestal in front of a large, ornate building with many windows and arches. The scene is set outdoors with trees and greenery. The statue is a dark, standing figure of a man with a beard, wearing a cap and a long robe. The pedestal is a multi-tiered stone structure with decorative carvings.

“If God spare my life, ere many years I will cause a boy who drives a plough to know more of the scriptures than you do.”

William Tyndale

A bronze statue of William Tyndale stands on a stone pedestal in front of a large, ornate building with arches. The statue depicts a man with a beard, wearing a cap and a long robe, holding a book. The background is filled with lush green trees and foliage.

“Lord! Open the King of England's eyes.”

The History of the English Bible

- The Received Text of Erasmus, Tyndale, Rogers, Coverdale, et' al. was based on over 5000 manuscripts that agreed in all but a few spelling variations.
- There had been a number of translations and revisions up to 1611, but with the advent of the King James Bible, scholars finally settled on an English translation for the people.

The King James Bible

- One very remarkable thing:
- Given the propensity to produce new translations from 1516 A.D. to 1611 A.D...
- It is remarkable that no new notable translations were done for the next 400 years!
 - It wasn't as if there were a lack of scholars!

The King James Bible

"Truly (good Christian Reader) we never thought from the beginning, that we should need to make a new Translation, nor yet to make of a bad one a good one,...but to make a good one better, or out of many good ones, one principal good one, not justly to be excepted against, that hath been our endeavour."

The Translators of the King James Bible

The King James Bible

*“The Authorized Version eclipsed all previous versions of the Bible. The Geneva Bible was last printed in 1644, but the notes continued to be published with the King James text. Subsequent versions of the Bible were likewise eclipsed, for the Authorized Version was the Bible **until** the advent of the Revised Version and ensuing modern translations”*

Dr. Laurence M. Vance

New Kids on the Block?

- The English Revised Version wasn't produced until 1881 (nearly 300 years after the KJV!)
- The RSV was then produced in 1966

into the making of the personal character and the public institutions of the English-speaking peoples. We owe to it an incalculable debt.

Yet the King James Version has grave defects. By the middle of the nineteenth century, the development of Biblical studies and the discovery of many manuscripts more ancient than those upon which the King James Version was based, made it manifest that these defects are so many and so serious as to call for revision of the English translation. The task was undertaken, by authority of the Church of England, in 1870. The English Revised Version of the Bible was published in 1881-1885; and the American Standard Version, its variant embodying the prof-

- Does the King James has 'grave defects'?
- Are the KJV defects 'so many and so serious'?
- Does 'more ancient' mean better?
- How could the 47 KJV expert translators fail so badly?

A Great Drama!

The Cast: Part 2

- Constantine Simonides
- Pope Gregory XVI
- Constantine Von Tischendorf
- The Jesuits
- Brooke Foss Westcott (1825-1903)
- Fenton John Anthony Hort (1828-1892)
- Kurt Alund

The Plot Revealed!

Constantine Simonides



- Simonides (1820–1890) was an excellent palaeocalligraphist
- Between 1839 and 1841 he lived at the monastery on Mount Athos
- During that time he was commissioned to produce an ‘old style’ Bible as a gift for Tsar Nicholas I of Russia – as a ‘thank you’
- He was provided with an unused bound ancient codex for his task

Pope Gregory XVI



- Pope Gregory XVI became pontiff in 1831
- In his tenure he had 110 people put to death, many by being 'walled up'
 - He had Giuseppe Balzani beheaded for criticising him!
- Like every Pope before him, he did not want the Bible to be read
 - To this point, the only 'official' Bible was the Vulgate
 - Enforced again at the Council of Trent 1546
- But in 1475 a 'new' Bible (Codex Vaticanus) had been discovered, yet kept locked away in the Vatican
 - It was very different from the TR which was being copied, translated and sent around the world by Bible Societies – much to the distain of the Vatican!

Vaticanus

"It should be noted . . . that there is no prominent Biblical (manuscripts) in which there occur such gross cases of misspelling, faulty grammar, and omission, as in (Codex) B."

– The Westminster Dictionary of the Bible

Vaticanus

"The entire manuscript has been mutilated... every letter has been run over with a pen, making exact identification of many of the characters impossible"

"I question the 'great witness' value of any manuscript that has been overwritten, doctored, changed and added to for more than ten centuries."

– Dr. David Brown *The Great Uncials.*

Constantin von Tischendorf



- In 1843 Pope Gregory XVI invited a Lutheran Scholar Constantine von Tischendorf to the Vatican and allowed this Protestant to view the Vaticanus!
- Tischendorf immediately then sets off on his 5 yr journey to find other ‘ancient’ manuscripts, with seemingly limitless funds!
 - He’d long had the ambition to be a great discoverer
- *“But we have at last hit upon a better plan even than this, which is to set aside this textus receptus altogether, and to construct a fresh text, derived immediately from the most ancient and authoritative sources” - Tischendorf 1867*

Constantin von Tischendorf



- Eventually his travels brought him to St Catherine's Monastery at 'Mt Sinai'

"Tischendorf described it. "I perceived a large and wide basket full of old parchments; and the librarian told me that two heaps like this had been already committed to the flames. What was my surprise to find amid this heap of papers..."

– Narrative of the Discovery of the Sinaitic Manuscript,
p. 23

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"Tischendorf, the discoverer of the Sinaiticus manuscript, noted at least 14,800 changes which had been made on this manuscript by others than the original copyist"

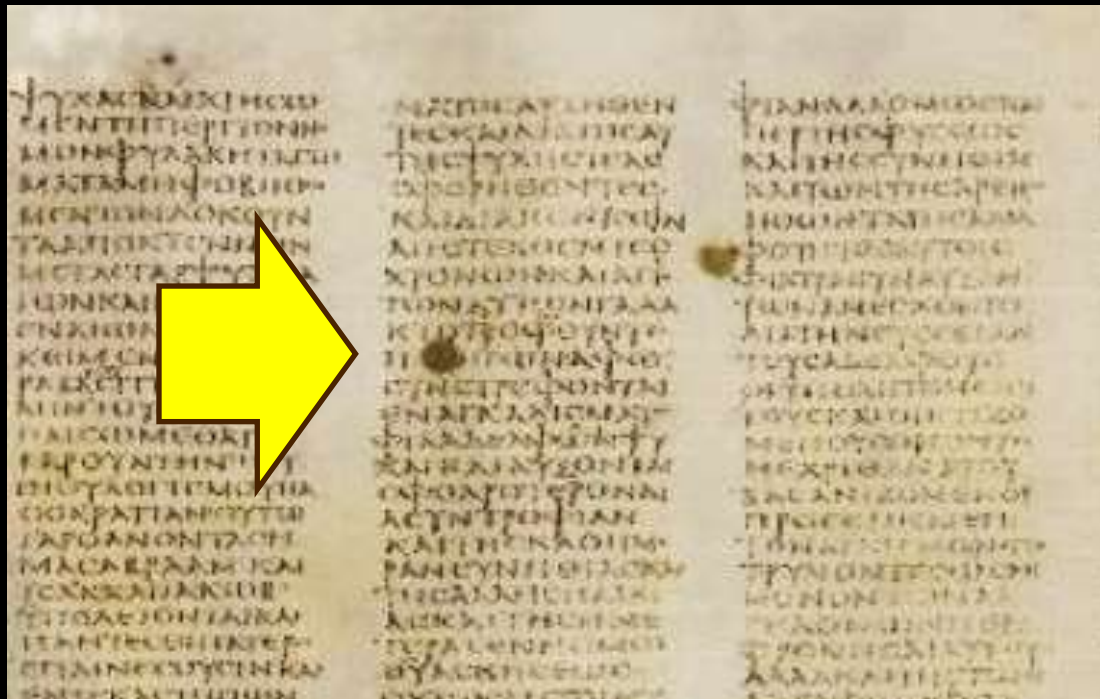
– David Brown, *The Great Uncials*, 2000

Enter the Jesuits!

- *“Through the Jesuits, who had been set up in the 16th century expressly for the purpose of overturning the Reformation, the Vatican had tried unsuccessfully for three hundred years to overthrow the Reformation Bible. That Bible had been translated into many languages from the Received Text of the Greek New Testament. The closest they ever came was with the Douay-Rheims Bible of 1610 – but it was based on a very faulty translation (Latin Vulgate) – and it showed. This Jesuit version simply did not as they say, cut it. So the next two centuries were spent finding another way. And when it came, the Jesuits were ready.”*
– Dr Bill Cooper

A Story Full of Holes!

- Codex Sinaiticus Q42f6v



Sinaiticus & Vaticanus

- According to Herman C. Hoskier, there are, 3,036 textual variations between Sinaiticus and Vaticanus in the text of the Gospels alone
- Some estimate over 9000 discrepancies between these two principle Alexandrian manuscripts

Sinaiticus & Vaticanus

"The impurity of the text exhibited by these codices is not a question of opinion but fact...In the Gospels alone, Codex B (Vatican) leaves out words or whole clauses no less than 1,491 times. It bears traces of careless transcriptions on every page..."

– John W Burgon

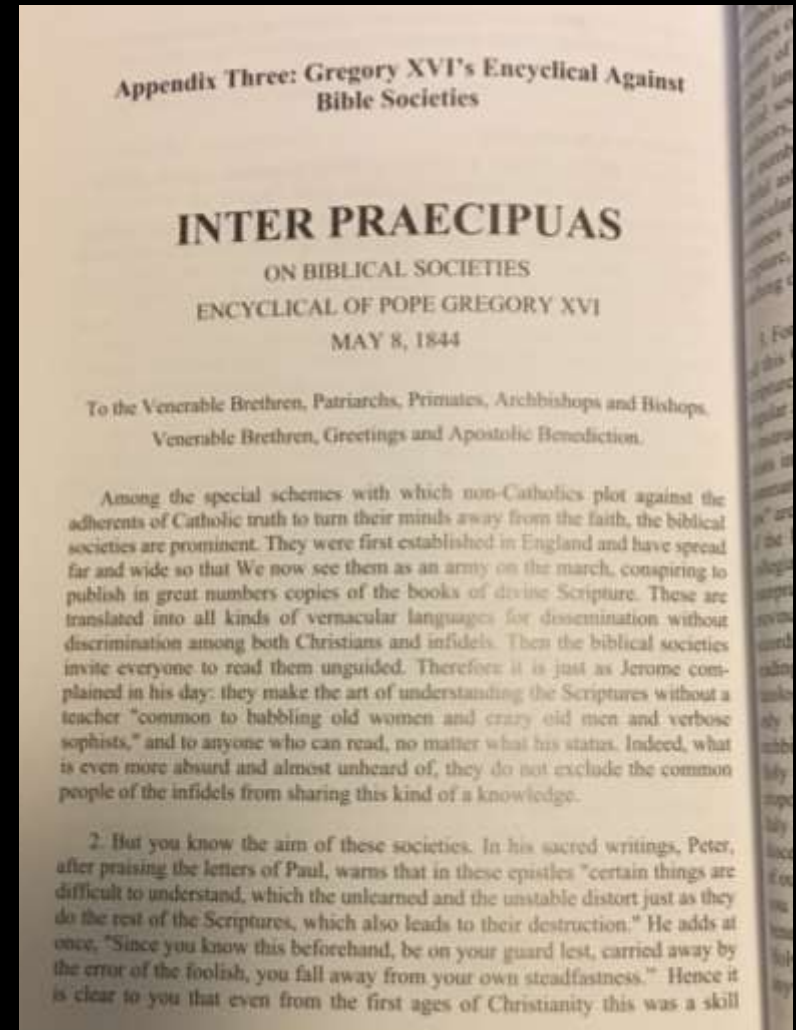
Sinaiticus & Vaticanus

- John William Burgon – became Dean of Chichester Cathedral
- Fought the Westcott & Hort corruption
- Regarding Codex A & B:

"It is in fact easier to find two consecutive verses in which these two MSS differ the one from the other, than two consecutive verses in which they entirely agree."

“Inter Praecipuas”

- In preparation of the ‘unveiling’ of Sinaiticus as ‘the oldest & most reliable’ manuscript, in 1844 Gregory XVI launched an all out attack on Bible Societies and those producing Bibles for ‘common people’!



Westcott & Hort

- Brooke Foss Westcott (1825-1903)
- Fenton John Anthony Hort (1828-1892)
- Anglican minister / University professor
- Rejected Genesis as historical
- Support the view of Darwinian Evolution
- Questioned a literal Devil and rejected a literal Hell
- Yet supported the Catholic doctrine of Purgatory!

Westcott & Hort

- Rejected the basis of the Atonement
- Yet believed in "baptismal regeneration"
- Questioned the historical figure of David
- Second Coming 'just spiritual'
- Westcott and Hort were leaders of a society focused on the paranormal, this later became the Cambridge Ghost Society

Westcott & Hort

- *“The Cambridge University Ghost Society was founded in 1851.*
- *In 1853, two years after founding, F.J.A. Hort and B. F. Westcott agreed, upon the suggestion of publisher Daniel Macmillan, to take part in "an interesting and comprehensive 'New Testament Scheme,'" that is, to undertake a joint revision of the Greek New Testament.*

Westcott & Hort

- The Sinaiticus and Vaticanus became the basis for Westcott & Hort's 'translation'.
- *“When the apostate scholars, Westcott and Hort, set about their self appointed task of undermining the Textus Receptus, they did their job thoroughly. The immediate result in their own day was a profound distrust toward the New Testament at all levels of society in both Britain and America. They must have been astonished at their own success. Their ‘Revised Version’ of 1881 achieved at a stroke what the Jesuits had been labouring toward for centuries, and the critics have never looked back” – Bill Cooper*

Westcott & Hort

“Westcott and Hort were responsible for the greatest feat in textual criticism. They were responsible for replacing the Universal Text of the Authorized Version with the Local Text of Egypt and the Roman Catholic Church”

“They had been deceived into believing that the ‘Roman Catholic’ manuscripts, Vaticanus and Aleph, were better because they were “older”.”

They produced the NT manuscript that is used almost exclusively for modern versions of the Bible.

Kurt Aland



- Kurt Aland was a German Theologian who is credited with a revision of the New Testament known as the Nestle-Aland text
- By his own and candid admission he did not believe in the slightest that the Bible was the Word of God.
- He claimed that virtually none of the New Testament books were authentic, even the Gospels being all forgeries.
- He initially tried to get Hebrew, 2 Peter, 2 & 3 John, Jude and Revelation dropped from the NT Cannon!

Kurt Aland

- *“So the next time you open your ESV, or your NIV, or any other ‘modern’ version from Aland’s stable, take a moment to think on the man who did more than any of his colleagues to bring them before the world. They ate not the pure Word of God they they pretend to be, and are certainly not the fruit of the man who loved the Word of God. On the contrary, like apostates, Westcott and Hort before him, he openly despised that Word, and devoted his entire life to its perversion and ultimate destruction”*



- Dr Bill Cooper (Authenticity of the New Testament Pt 1, Appdx 3)

The Best Manuscripts?

What do all these verses have in common?

- Matthew 5:44
- Matthew 17:21
- Matthew 18:11
- Matthew 27:2
- Matthew 27:35
- Mark 3:15
- Mark 7:16
- Luke 7:28
- Luke 9:55
- Luke 9:56
- Luke 22:14
- Luke 23:38
- Luke 24:42
- John 3:13
- John 5:4
- John 7:50
- Acts 8:37
- Acts 9:6
- Acts 15:34.
- Acts 24:6-8
- Romans 16:24
- Timothy 3:16
- 1 Peter 4:14
- 1 John 5:7
- Revelation 1:11

They are omitted from almost all modern translations of the Bible

The Best Manuscripts?

- Acts 8:37

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, "Tell me, was the prophet talking about himself or someone else?" ³⁵So beginning with this same Scripture, Philip told him the Good News about Jesus.

³⁶As they rode along, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look! There's some water! Why can't I be baptized?"* ³⁸He ordered the carriage to stop, and they went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.

- Where is Acts 8:37?
- Is it important?

8:32-33 Isa 53:7-8 (Greek version). **8:36** Some manuscripts add verse 37, "You can," Philip answered, "if you believe with all your heart." And the eunuch replied, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." 9:1 Greek disciples. 9:10 Greek disciple; also in 9:26, 36. 9:13 Greek God's holy people; also in

And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. (Acts 8:37)

The Best Manuscripts?

- 1 John 5:7-8

come the world, even our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

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does not continue to sin; the one who was born of God keeps him safe, and the evil one cannot harm him. ¹⁹We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one. ²⁰We know also that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true—even in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

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The NIV's Blatant Lie

- 1 John 5:7-8 (the Johanan Comer)
- Effectively omitted in the NIV
- NIV footnote says:

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- *Not found in any Greek manuscript before the 16th C.*
- It is quoted by Cyprian, at Carthage, in 250AD
- It is part of the text for Latin manuscript 'R'
 - which dates to c300 A.D.

Artistic Licence?

- Matthew 2:7-11

7Then Herod called for a private meeting with the wise men, and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared. 8Then he told them, "Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!"

9After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem.

It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. 10When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! 11They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him.

9 When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

- There is no mention of Bethlehem in verse 9!

Artistic Licence?

- Matthew 2:7-11
- Why is this important?
- Because the Magi never went to Bethlehem!
- Following the birth of Jesus...
 - ...after 8 days He was circumcised (Luke 2:21)
 - ...after 41 days Mary & Joseph took Jesus to the temple to present Him to the Lord according to the Law (there they met Simeon & Anna) (Luke 2:22-39)
- They then returned home to Nazareth!

And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth. (Luke 2:39)

Artistic Licence?

- John 2:34

Modern Translation

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Spirit.' ³⁴I saw this happen to Jesus, so I testify that he is the
Chosen One of God.*'

and take it to the master of ceremonies. So the s
lowed his instructions.

1:34 Some manuscripts read *the Son of God.* 1:41 Messiah (a
(from Aramaic) and *Peter* (from Greek) both mean "rock." 1:49
"Son of Man" is a title Jesus used for himself. 2:1 Greek *On the*
God's house will be my undoing. Ps 69:9 3:3 Or born from a

- Is this important?
- Even a 9yr old can spot the problem here!
 - I know because I asked my 9 year old daughter what she thought!

Artistic Licence?

Modern Translation

- 1 Corinthians 1:18

¹⁸For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are **being saved** it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written:

- Isn't the message of the cross 'It is finished!?'
- Didn't Jesus offer "*one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God*" (Hebrews 10:12)

KJV

For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which **are saved** it is the power of God. **Tense: Present Voice: Passive Mood: Participle**

- 'Being saved' implies not yet complete, still work to be done.
- The Greek states 'the recipient of the action'
- There is absolutely NO justification for this miss-translation!

Artistic Licence?

Modern Translation

- Galatians 6:15-16

est in me has also died. ¹⁵It doesn't matter whether we have been circumcised or not. What counts is whether we have been transformed into a new creation. ¹⁶May God's peace and mercy be upon all who live by this principle; they are the new people of God.

- What count's? - this implies works.
 - It is not about what we can do, but His Grace
- The new people of God?

KJV

¹⁵For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

¹⁶And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

- Romans 11 tells us that Israel now comprises the 'Blinded' and the 'Remnant'
- The Israel of God is simply a reference to Believing Jews!

Artistic Licence?

- Galatians 6:15-16

18 Christ is also the head of the church,
which is his body.
He is the beginning,
supreme over all who rise from the dead.*
So he is first in everything.
19 For God in all his fullness
was pleased to live in Christ.

- This is a denial of the Deity of Christ and a denial of the Trinity

18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;

Modern (Per)Versions?

- Modern translations change plural to singular and visa-versa
- Jesus and Paul both build doctrinal points on the grammar
- If these are changed the argument breaks down!
- In one modern version there are:
 - 2000 changes from single to plural
 - 1600 Gender changes

Modern (Per)Versions?

- Many modern versions are produced, which was offer a “dynamic equivalent” translation into modern English.
- “_____ was designed not for “*word-for-word*” accuracy, but rather, for “*phrase-for-phrase*” accuracy”.
- **See Prov 30:5 / Matt 5:18 / Rev 22:18-19**
 - In other words, you are reading a commentary; it is what the translators *think* the text should say rather than what the text actually says.
- Now, that’s great *if* they get it right, but...

Modern (Per)Versions?

- One modern translation differed from the KJV in over 36,000 places,
- The Greek text underlying the translation of the a particular modern version (*the Westcott-Hort Text*) differed from the *Textus Receptus* (underlying the KJV) in over 5,700 instances.

Modern (Per)Versions?

Modern Version:

- *“The blood of Christ, a most important and precious word and theme, was lacking in many key New Testament references. It was replaced by “death” or “costly sacrifice,” both good words in their own place but not what the Holy Spirit gave in the original text”*

Modern (Per)Versions?

Modern Version

- *“Oh! May the **God of green hope** fill you up with joy, fill you up with peace, so that your believing lives, filled with the life-giving energy of the Holy Spirit, will brim over with hope!”*

Romans 15:13

- The God of green hope????
 - No where in the Bible does God give Himself this title!

Preface to the NKJV

“Since the 1880s most contemporary translations of the NT have relied upon a relatively few manuscripts discovered chiefly in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Such translations depend primarily on two manuscripts, Codex Vaticanus and Codex Sinaiticus, because of their greater age...

The Greek text obtained by using these sources and the related papyri (our most ancient manuscripts) is known as the Alexandrian Text.”

Preface to the NKJV

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drian Text. However, some scholars have
as grounds for doubting the faithfulness of Vati-
se, canus and Sinaiticus, since they often dis-
ld agree with one another, and Sinaiticus exhib-
of its excessive omission.

- Scholars doubt their faithfulness!
- They often disagree with one another!
- Sinaiticus exhibits excessive omission!
- So why should anyone want to use these manuscripts???

Conclusion?

- It has now come to light that Codex Sinaiticus was a forgery inspired by the Vatican!
- No longer is the debate over different translations down to one's own opinion
- Almost all modern versions of the Bible can be shown to be based upon a Vatican inspired forgery!
- This has massive ramifications!
- ...but it gives us a powerful apologetic tool!
- But we **MUST** be aware that there are now many books published with 'Bible' on the cover that are in essence merely *commentaries!*

Conclusion?

- You need to know that not all Bible's are the same!
- If we are ignorant of this we leave ourselves wide open to the critics!
 - ...with so many modern versions that blatantly contradict each other,
 - ...miss whole verses out,
 - ...change single to plural & visa versa,
 - ...replace words & change the meaning of the verse etc....
- God HAS preserved His Word
 - Every detail, letter, number, name!
- His Word is settled in Heaven & stands forever!

The Question of Mark 16: 13-20

⁶But the man said, "Don't be afraid. You are looking for Jesus from Nazareth, who has been crucified. He has risen from the dead; he is not here. Look, here is the place where they laid him. ⁷Now go and tell his followers and Peter, 'Jesus is going into Galilee ahead of you, and you will see him there as he told you before.'"

⁸The women were confused and shaking with fear, so they left the tomb and ran away. They did not tell anyone about what happened, because they were afraid.

Verses 9-20 are not included in two of the best and oldest Greek copies of Mark.

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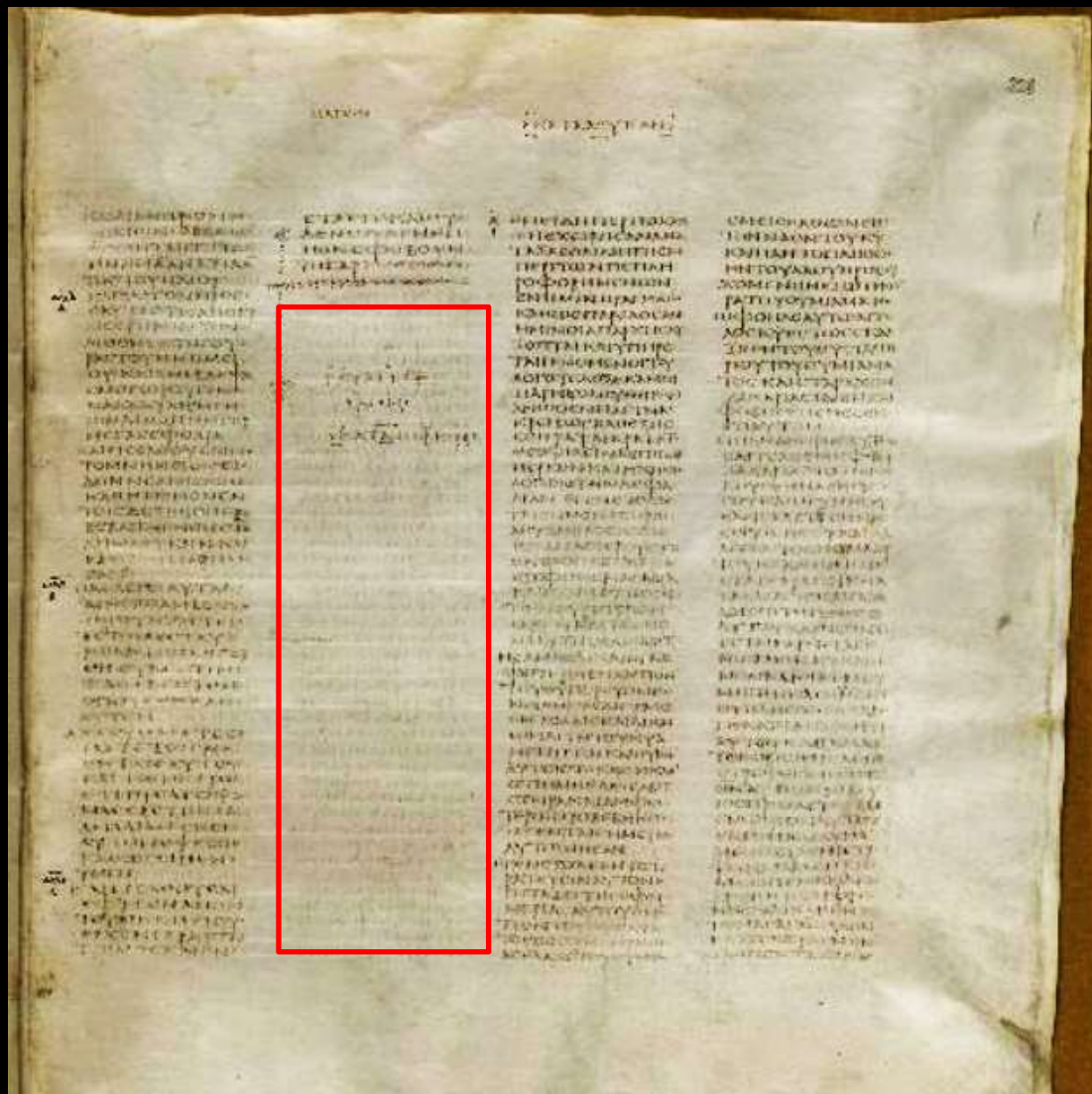
The Ending of Mark?

8 And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any man; **for they were afraid.**

Mark 16:8

- Scholars/Critics tell us that Mark was the first gospel written.
 - All the others were over 100 years later
- If Mark ends at v8, there is no resurrection!
 - The other Gospel writers supposedly later added the resurrection, but it was not in the 'original text'!

Codex Sinaiticus Q77f5r



Saturday 9th	Sunday 10th	Monday 11th	Tuesday 12th	Wednesday 13th	Thursday 14th	Friday 15th	Saturday 16th	Sunday 17th
Sabbath Jesus arrives at Bethany after Sabbath has ended	Triumphal Entry 173,880 days complete Daniel 9:24-27	Fig tree cursed / Jesus turns the tables in the temple for the 2nd day running cf Matt 21:10-17 & Mark 11:15-19	Jesus gives 'Olivet discourse' stressing that deception will abound in the last days	Jesus & disciples prepare to eat the Passover meal this evening at sundown as it becomes the 14th	Feast of Passover Also: 'Day of Preparation'	Feast of Unleavened Bread High Sabbath John 19:31	Sabbath	Feast of Firstfruits 1st day of Week Resurrection!  The empty tomb Mark 16:1-2 And when the sabbaths (Plural) were past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulcher at the rising of the sun. Mark 10:34 And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him: and the third day he shall rise again.
Exodus 12:3-6 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb... Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year... And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole congregation of Israel shall kill it [between the evenings]*	John 12:12-13 On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord. Mark 11:10-11aBlessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest. And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things....	Mark 11:12-14 And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry:  Fig tree And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet. And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee	Mark 11:20-21 And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursed is withered away.	Mark 15:33-37 And when the sixth hour was come (12:00pm), there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour (3:00pm). And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? And he cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost. Matt 26:17-20 Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread..... See Ex 12:18 (above right)	Mark 16:1-2 Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread..... See Ex 12:18 (above right)	John 19:31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation (14th), that the bodies should not remain there, because it was the Sabbath, for that day (15th), that was the day of the preparation (that being the 14th), the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulcher be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.	Exodus 12:18 On the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it until the morning of the fifteenth day at even. Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it with bitter herbs. Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD" Deut 16:16 "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles" (See also Exodus 23:14-15)	Exodus 12:18 On the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it until the morning of the fifteenth day at even. Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it with bitter herbs. Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD" Deut 16:16 "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles" (See also Exodus 23:14-15)
* The Hebrew word is 'Bein' which means 'between' This is another evidence of the supernatural design of the Bible. Just as in this model, laid down some 600 years before, Jesus was 'taken' on the 10th, and as a Lamb without blemish, was killed on the 14th between the evenings, shedding His own blood to become our Passover Lamb, atoning for our sin once and for all.	Mark 11:10-11aBlessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest. And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things....	 Bethany	Mark 14:1 After two days was the feast of the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put him to death.The disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover? And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples. And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover.	Luke 23:53-54 And he took [the body of Jesus] down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulcherAnd that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.	Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD" Deut 16:16 "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles" (See also Exodus 23:14-15)	Exodus 12:18 On the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it until the morning of the fifteenth day at even. Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it with bitter herbs. Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD" Deut 16:16 "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles" (See also Exodus 23:14-15)	Mark 16:1-2 Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread..... See Ex 12:18 (above right)
Truly He is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world! (John 1:29)	"So the evening and the morning were the first day" (Gen 1:5) Because of this the Jewish day starts at sundown and goes through to the following sundown, i.e. Evening then morning representing a complete 24 hour day.	In both of these verses, the words 'the feast of' have been added by the translators, they are not in the original and can be misleading.	Mark 14:1 After two days was the feast of the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put him to death.The disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover? And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples. And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover.	Luke 23:53-54 And he took [the body of Jesus] down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulcherAnd that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.	Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD" Deut 16:16 "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles" (See also Exodus 23:14-15)	Exodus 12:18 On the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it until the morning of the fifteenth day at even. Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it with bitter herbs. Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD" Deut 16:16 "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles" (See also Exodus 23:14-15)	Mark 16:1-2 Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread..... See Ex 12:18 (above right)
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NB: 'Passover' here is used to denote the 'festival' period commencing the 15th, not the supper on the 14th. It is also used this way in John 13:1. So after 6 days is the 15th & the feast.	Luke 22:1 Now the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover.	John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;	John 13:1-2 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father..... And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;	Mark 14:12-18 And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and... eat the passover?And in the evening he cometh with the twelve. And as they sat and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me.	Luke 22:1 Now the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover.	Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD" Deut 16:16 "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles" (See also Exodus 23:14-15)	Exodus 12:18 On the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it until the morning of the fifteenth day at even. Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread, and shall eat it with bitter herbs. Lev 23:5-7 "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD" Deut 16:16 "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles" (See also Exodus 23:14-15)	Mark 16:1-2 Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread..... See Ex 12:18 (above right)
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The Gospel - as defined by the Apostle Paul "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you... For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures" (1 Cor 15:1-4) According to the scriptures ...Christ died for our sins = Feast of Passover ...was buried = Feast of Unleavened bread ...He rose again = Feast of Firstfruits								

- 9 Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.
- 10 And she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept.
- 11 And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.

Mark 16:9-11

12 After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.

13 And they went and told it unto the residue: neither believed they them.

Mark 16:12-13

14 Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

Mark 16:14

15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world,
and preach the gospel to every creature.

16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved;
but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Mark 16:15-16

- 17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;
- 18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.



Mark 16:17-18

- Acts 28:1-6

19 So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

20 And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

Mark 16:19-20

An open scroll with Hebrew text is shown against a dark background. The scroll is unrolled, revealing two pages of text written in a traditional Hebrew script. To the left of the scroll is a wooden handle, likely made of olive wood, which is used to unroll the scroll. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the texture of the scroll and the grain of the wood.

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