

# Victory Faith Centre

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# Modern versions attack Biblical preaching

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## Preaching and the power of God

“Preach the **word**” (2 Timothy 4:2a)

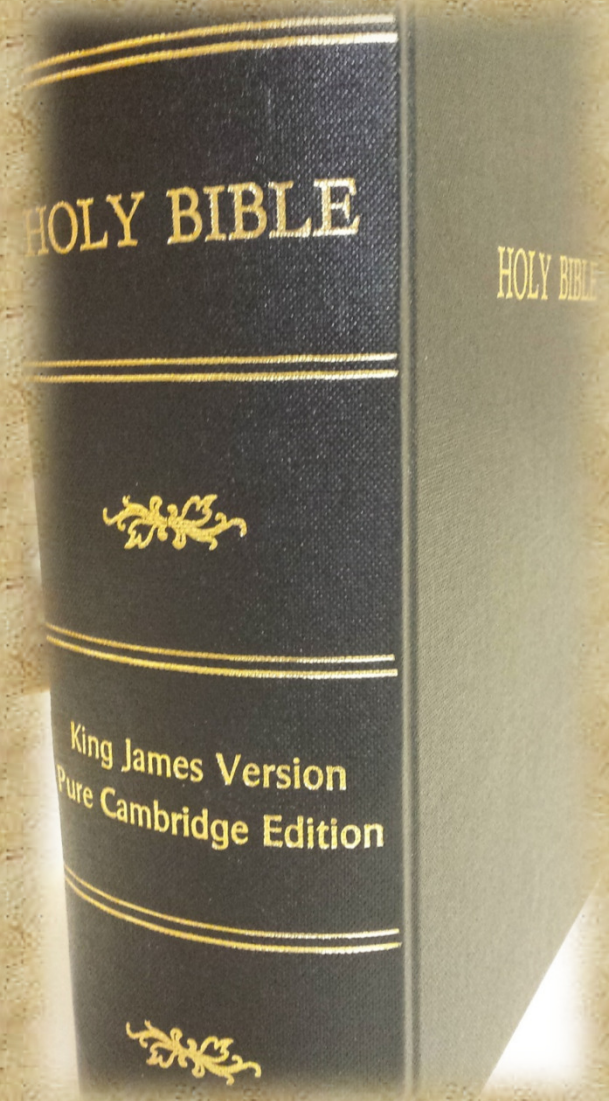
“But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, **the word of faith, which we preach**” (Romans 10:8)

“Now to him that is of **power to stablish you** according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus **Christ**” (Romans 16:25a)

See also 2 Thessalonians 3:1.

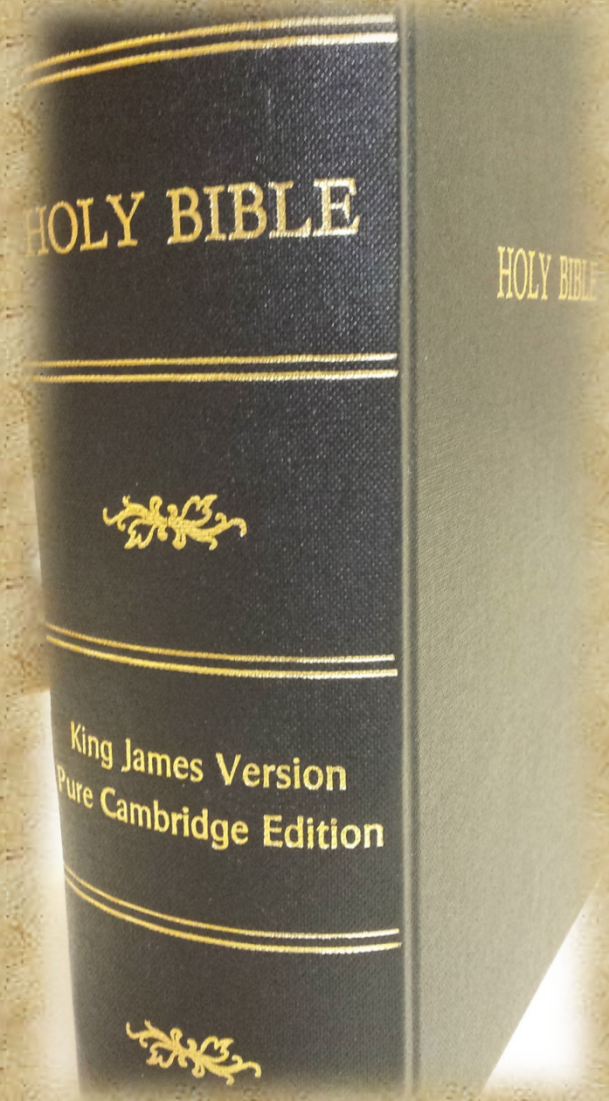
## The washing of God's words

“Christ also loved the church,  
and gave himself for it; That he  
might sanctify and cleanse it  
with the washing of water by the  
word”. (Ephesians 5:25b,26)



## The preservation of God's Word

“He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word which he commanded **to a thousand generations.**” (Psalm 105:8)



## Understanding and knowledge comes from God

“All **the words of my mouth** are in righteousness; there is nothing froward or perverse in them. They are **all plain to him that understandeth**, and right to them that find knowledge.” (Proverbs 8:8,9)

“**Thy word is very pure**: therefore thy servant loveth it.”\* (Psalm 119:140)

\*The King James Bible agrees with the majority of all extant (existing) manuscripts and all historical evidence.

One must be lying!

“king of Egypt went up  
against the king of  
Assyria” (2 Kings 23:29, KJB)



“king of Egypt went to  
the aid of the king of  
Assyria” (2 Kings 23:29, NKJV)

That which is different cannot be the same.  
Both cannot be the Word of God ...



The Word of God cannot have lies in it

“In hope of eternal life, which **God, that cannot lie**,  
promised before the world began” (Titus 1:2)

“... **no lie** is of the truth” (1 John 2:21b)

“... **let God be true**, but every man a liar ...” (Romans 3:4)



Foundation of error – “the spirit of error” (1 John 4:6)



## Modern versions and their attack on preaching

There are 2 ways that modern versions attack Biblical preaching:

- They undermine the authority of the Word of God as certainty and truth from which to preach.
- They undermine the definition of preaching.

# Preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom

“And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and **preaching** the gospel of the kingdom”  
(Matthew 4:23a)

“And this gospel of the kingdom shall be **preached** in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.” (Matthew 24:14)

**Preaching is the method that God has chosen to get His words out.**

## Undermining of knowledge in modern versions

“Jesus answered again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it **for them that trust in riches** to enter into the kingdom of God!”

(Mark 10:24, KJB)

“Jesus said again, ‘Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!’” (Mark 10:24, NIV)



The King James Bible makes the way clear

“Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, **Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.** ... Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.” (John 3:3,7)



Who must be born again?

“You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again.’” (John 3:7, NIV)

“Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’” (John 3:7, NKJV)

Is Christ only talking to Nicodemus about this?



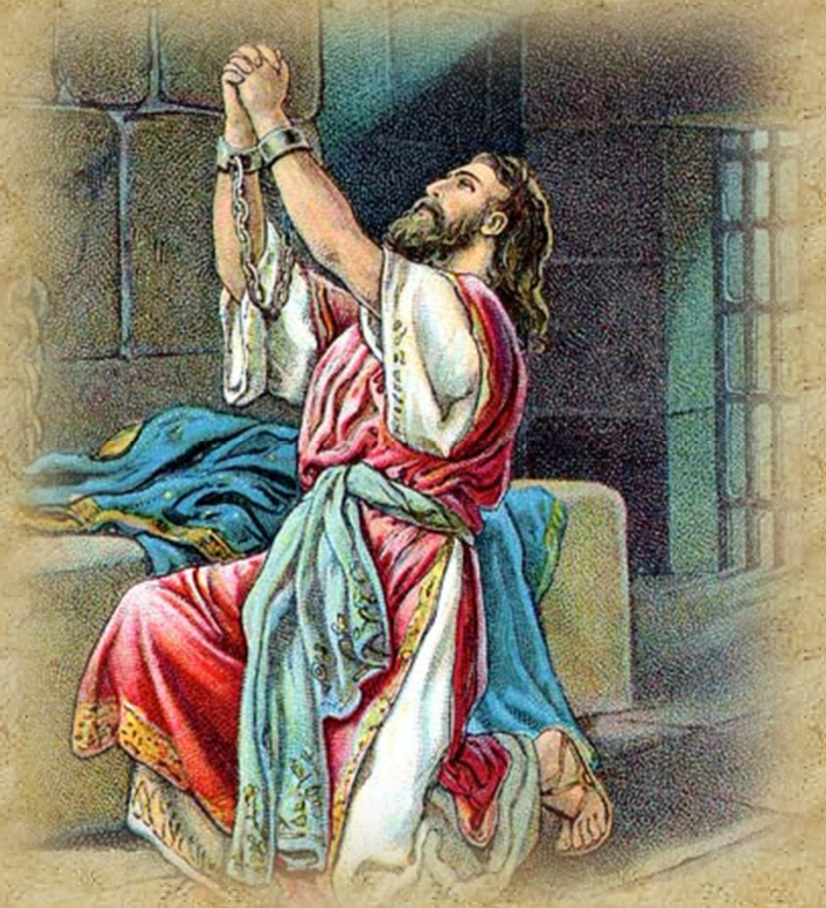
Note the important information

“Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.”

(John 3:7, KJB)

thee — you (singular)

ye — you (plural)



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Modernists take the word 'preaching' out!

“Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom” (Matthew 4:23a, NIV)

“And Jesus was going about all Galilee teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the reign” (Matthew 4:23a, YLT)

Why is preaching important?

“For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.” (1 Corinthians 1:18)

Preaching is the power of God to those who believe.

See also Hebrews 4:2.

Get rid of the preaching!

“For 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. ” (1 Corinthians 1:18, NKJV)

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message ≠ preaching

being saved ≠ are saved

## Why is preaching important?

“For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.” (1 Corinthians 1:21)

People need to be saved from perishing in sin and going to Hell.

Modernists undermine the doctrine of Hell

The word "hell" occurs 31 times in the Old Testament in the King James Bible. In the Old Testament of the NIV it occurs - ZERO! In the New Testament the NIV takes out "hell" 9 times.



Hell substituted by the modernists

“The wicked shall be turned into **hell**, and all the nations that forget God.” (Psalm 9:17, KJB)

“The wicked go down to the realm of the dead, all the nations that forget God.” (Psalm 9:17, NIV)

“The wicked will go to the place of death, as will all the nations that forget God.” (Psalm 9:17, ERV)

## Hell substituted by the modernists

“The sorrows of death compassed me, and **the pains of hell** gat hold upon me: I found trouble and sorrow.” (Psalm 116:3, KJB)

“The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came over me; I was overcome by distress and **sorrow.**” (Psalm 116:3, NIV)

“The pains of death surrounded me, And the pangs of Sheol laid hold of me; I found trouble and sorrow.” (Psalm 116:3, NKJV)



Hell substituted by the modernists

“And in **hell** he lift up his eyes, being in **torments**”

(Luke 16:23a, KJB)

“In Hades, where he was in torment” (Luke 16:23a, NIV)

“And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes” (Luke 16:23a, NKJV)

## Preaching the Gospel needs to explain Hell

“And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and **preach the gospel** to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be **damned**.” (Mark 16:15,16)



Changing God's words is a serious matter!

"If I bear **witness** of myself, my **witness** is not true."

(John 5:31, KJB)

"Jesus answered and said unto them, Though I bear **record** of myself, yet my **record** is true" (John 8:14a, KJB)

But modern versions do it all the time!

**“If I bear witness of Myself, My witness is not true.”**

(John 5:31, NKJV)

**“Jesus answered and said to them, “Even if I bear witness of Myself, My witness is true”** (John 8:14a, NKJV)

But modern versions do it all the time!

**“If I testify about myself, my testimony is not true.”**

(John 5:31, NIV)

**“Jesus answered, “Even if I testify on my own behalf,  
my testimony is valid”** (John 8:14a, NIV)

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