

Seventh-day Adventist *Sabbath School Bible Study Guide* for the Second Quarter of 2023

This is a review of the entire *Seventh-day Adventist Adult Teachers Sabbath School Bible Study Guide* (SSBSG) for the second quarter of 2023 titled “Three Cosmic Messages.” In this SSBSG three different bibles were used. I counted the number of times each was used. I did not count them twice so my count could be off a little. I did not count quotations that could have been from more than one bible and I did not count quotations that appeared within a quotation. The numbers were as follows:

New King James Version (NKJV) quotations: 201.

King James Version (KJV) quotations: 14.

New International Version (NIV): 3.

Phillips Translation (PT): 1

All memory texts were from the NKJV.

Page numbers referenced will be as in the Standard Edition of the SSBSG unless otherwise noted.

LESSON 1. Jesus Wins—Satan Loses (March 25-31)

There are only two texts in the Bible that can be used to show that the Seventh-day Adventist Church is the remnant church, that the remnant church has the Spirit of Prophecy and that the members of the remnant church keep the commandments of God. Pastor Mark Finley, the principal contributor to this lesson quarterly and henceforth to be referred to as Mark, has chosen to use one of those two verses for this lesson’s memory text. I highly recommend that you memorize this text but not from a fake bible because it will be a waste of time.

“And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.” Revelation 12:17 from the NKJV.

For some reason, Mark chose to use the NKJV which says “rest of” instead of “remnant” like the real Bible says. Maybe that’s because he thought “wroth” was too hard to understand.

“And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.” Revelation 12:17 from the KJV.

Seventh-day Adventist Church members have known their church as the “remnant church” for many decades. It is true that the phrase “rest of” means the same thing as “remnant” so you can’t call the NKJV wrong in this verse but it would seem a bit clumsy to be referring to our church as the “rest of church.” To have to work through “rest of”

being the same thing as “remnant” would seem to be more work than was needed when Mark could have just used the real Bible.

Mark has also used the NIV in this lesson quarterly with no disclaimer about it being a fake bible with over 60,000 fewer words than the KJV and many errors. Here is what it says.

“Then the dragon was enraged at the woman and went off to wage war against the rest of her offspring—those who keep God’s commands and hold fast their testimony about Jesus.” Revelation 12:17 from the NIV.

The NIV has the same “rest of” problem as the NKJV but also two additional problems which entirely disqualify it for being used to teach that the “rest of” her seed keeps the Ten Commandments and HAS “the testimony of Jesus Christ.” Having a “testimony about Jesus” is not the same as having “the testimony of Jesus.” In the Bible, the word “commandments” in this verse means the Ten Commandments. The translators of the NIV know that because they have used “Ten Commandments” in Exodus 34:28, Deuteronomy 4:13 and Deuteronomy 10:4 in reference to the moral law written by God on stone. To say “commands” is a bit vague and could be taken to mean that all of God’s commands including the moral law were different after Christ’s crucifixion.

On page 7, Mark mentions Lucifer. There is only one verse in any bible that names Lucifer.

“How you have fallen from heaven, morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations!” Isaiah 14:12 from the NIV.

It actually gets worse.

“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star.” Revelation 22:16 from the NIV.

The NIV makes it appear that Jesus, “the Bright Morning Star” has been “cast down to the earth.” That would contradict what Mark says on page 9, i.e., “Jesus has never lost a battle with Satan.” Further down on page 9 Mark asks, “What encouragement should you get from the fact that your accuser ‘has been cast down’ (*NKJV*)?” I would ask, what Bible would you like to believe?

“How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!” Isaiah 14:12 from the KJV.

I know, the “art” and “thou” are a bit hard to read but at least the KJV doesn’t replace Lucifer with a title of Jesus Christ.

A Greek lesson starts on page 9. Supposedly it's important to understand that "overcome" in the "original language" is *nikao*. Mark should get a little better grasp of English and what his fake bibles say before he worries about what the Greek says.

On page 11, Mark notes "the rest of her offspring, also is translated 'the remnant' in the King James Version. God's remnant remains loyal to Christ, obedient to His truth, and faithful to His mission." Since Mark has used the NKJV 201 times compared to only using the KJV fourteen times and used the NKJV for this lesson's memory text which says "rest of" instead of "remnant," he should have just said "God's rest of remains loyal to Christ."

On page 14 of the teachers comments section, Mark demonstrates that in addition to having problems with English, he has difficulty counting. He says, "The word 'overcome' implies victory, triumph, and conquest." So far, so good. He then says, referring to "overcome," "It is used 17 times in the book of Revelation. God's people overcome."

If you look in the "Bible" Mark has used the most, the word "overcome" only occurs three times in the book of Revelation in Mark's favorite fake bible. If, being generous, I also count the two times "overcame" occurs, you get up to five times. If being magnanimous I also count the eight times "overcomes" occurs, the count increases to thirteen. When ministers make statements like this, you should check what they say for yourself because they are frequently wrong.

On page 15 of the teachers comments section, Mark mentions the "last verse of Revelation 12" which would be Revelation 12:17 that he used for this lesson's memory text. He says it's "one of the key verses in the entire Bible" which is true. He then proceeds to use the word "remnant" TWELVE MORE TIMES on pages 15 and 16 when that word didn't appear in Revelation 12:17 in his favorite fake bible which he says is "one of the key verses entire Bible." He also appears unaware that "Bible" is singular meaning one Bible when he has used four different bibles.

LESSON 2. A Moment of Destiny (April 1-7)

On page 26 of the teachers edition there appears one of the rare KJV quotes in this quarterly. It says, "'The harvest is the end of the world' (*Matt. 13:39*).'" Would you like to know why? The phrase "end of the world" doesn't appear anywhere in the NKJV except where it's used in a geographic sense. Mark wanted it to say end of the world as in the world really ending so he had to use the real Bible. The phrase "end of the age" is used instead in the NKJV and that doesn't conflict with New Age doctrine that teaches the world won't end but the sun will just peter out and life will end in a few million or maybe many million years.

LESSON 3. The Everlasting Gospel (April 8-14)

On page 39 of the teachers comments section, that only the teacher with the *Adult Teachers Sabbath School Bible Study Guide* will have, it says, "Throughout Scripture, angels are portrayed as messengers of God. Here is a special message to an angel of a church."

“And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.”
Revelation 3:14-22 from the KJV.

Notice that it’s the “angel of the church of the Laodiceans” that has been told it is “lukewarm.” The primary and most prominent messengers of the Laodiceans are its **ministers** and they are being told they are lukewarm. This is not widely publicized but there was a prominent Seventh-day Adventist minister, now dead in the body and asleep in the spirit, who said this this many decades ago.

“The seven stars which the Son of man held in His right hand are declared to be the angels of the seven churches. (Verse 20.) The *angels* of the churches, doubtless all will agree, are the *ministers* of the churches.”
Daniel and the Revelation by Uriah Smith on page 344 of the 1944 edition and page 356 of the 1897 edition.

LESSON 4. “‘Fear God and Give Glory to Him’ ” (April 15-21)

At the bottom of page 32 it says, “How do Jesus’ words here—‘ ‘And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell’ ’ (*Matt. 10:28 NKJV*)—help us understand what it means to fear God?”

What that verse teaches is that there are two separate entities; the soul and the body. Man can kill the body but only God can kill the soul in hell. That means a martyr burned to ashes at the stake had his body destroyed but the soul continued to live. The same would apply to a wicked person killed during a carjacking. The body of that person would die; would be destroyed; but the fearful end of that person would be the eventual permanent destruction of both soul and body in the lake of fire. You can review this concept in my review of the quarter four SSBSG of 2022 or you can visit DeathConfusion.com.

Here is a real pearl found in the second to the last paragraph on page 34. “The New Testament Greek word for bodies in this passage is *somata*, which is better translated the collective sum of who you are—body, mind, and emotions. The Phillips translation of the

Bible translates the expression ‘reasonable service’ as an ‘act of intelligent worship.’ ” Here is something Mark the Blowhard who likes to tell you what the Greek and Hebrew mean should have researched much more carefully before he started to edit the Bible using a fake bible.

Here is something written by Canon J. B. Phillips, the translator of the PT. In this context “Canon” is a title and not part of his given name.

“But the late C. S. Lewis, whom I did not know very well and had only seen in the flesh once, but with whom I had corresponded a fair amount, gave me an unusual experience. A few days after his death, while I was watching television, he ‘appeared’ sitting in a chair within a few feet of me, and spoke a few words which were particularly relevant to the difficult circumstances through which I was passing.” *Ring of Truth* page 118.

He went on to say:

I was a little puzzled by this, and I mentioned it to a certain saintly bishop who was then living in retirement here in Dorset. His reply was, ‘My dear J——, this sort of thing is happening all the time.’ ” *Ring of Truth* page 119.

This is the source of FILTH Mark has given the dignity of being allegedly the Word of God.

Another interesting thing. Did you notice the “J——“? The author of *Ring of Truth* lists his name as J. B. Phillips. I assume that he either doesn’t like the name his mother gave him (it’s John) or by only giving initials for the first and last name, it encourages people to call him by some title such as “Pastor.” This is similar to C. J. Murray (maybe Carol?) who is a minister that speaks on *Secrets Unsealed*.

Here’s a passage from the PT.

“Remember that Christ the just suffered for us the unjust, to bring us to God. That meant the death of his body, but he came to life again in the spirit. It was in the spirit that he went and preached to the imprisoned souls of those who had been disobedient in the days of Noah—the days of God’s great patience during the period of the building of the ark, in which eventually only eight souls were saved in the flood.” 1 Peter 3:18-20 from the PT.

Notice that Jesus came to life “in the spirit” and says nothing about his body coming to life. Jesus’ spirit then went and preached to wicked people who had died in the flood so they must have been alive and still capable of being saved. But, pay no mind; the NIV Andrews Study Bible published by Andrews University that has become a pit of apostasy says the same thing using different words.

Some time ago I published a tract which I've been selling in eBay the title of which is, *Just a little in it....* The photo on the front is of my beloved and now passed on dog who had just deposited a very small amount of feces on snow white snow. The following exchange took place between a person we'll call Karen and myself. I don't know much about Karen except the eBay user name which I won't mention.

This is the eBay description of the tract which apparently bothered Karen.

This is a small tract of 8 pages measuring about 3.5 X 5 inches intended for Seventh-day Adventists though others are welcome to buy it. Yes, the photo is what it looks like but let me explain. In Ezekiel 4:12 God directed Ezekiel to make barley cakes and told him to "bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight." There are times when hearts have been so seared as with a hot iron, that a graphic image is needed to get the message through and sometimes that won't even work. The tract gives 8 examples from the New King James Version that shows it to be self contradictory, contrary to Seventh-day Adventist doctrine and/or contrary to the Spirit of Prophecy.

Karen - You seem to be a very sick person...

Me - I appreciate the feedback.

Karen - This is not really feedback...you seem to be overly obsessed with the Seventh Day Adventist Church! If you are this obsessed about something... you must really be afraid of the truth contained in their message???

The Holy Spirit will not let you rest ... if you are honestly praying for truth!

Me - You are making assumptions about something you have never read. If you buy it, we'll have something to talk more intelligently about. If it makes you feel any better, after I put in the time to print and make the pamphlet, after I've paid the postage and after eBay takes their cut, I may make about \$0.15. If I didn't care I wouldn't do it.

"If God abhors one sin above another, of which His people are guilty, it is doing nothing in case of an emergency. Indifference and neutrality in a religious crisis is regarded of God as a grievous crime and equal to the very worst type of hostility against God." Testimonies for the Church volume 3 page 281.

"Whoso eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, hath eternal life.' John 6:53, 54. And to explain His meaning He said, 'The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.' Verse 63." Patriarchs and Prophets page 277.

"Error is never harmless. It never sanctifies, but always brings confusion and dissension. It is always dangerous." Testimonies for the Church volume 5 page 292.

So, if you have one that has "just a little in it" and if you don't care, you can keep doing what you're doing.

Karen - The quotes from testimonies are all correct! Read your Bible! You are leaving a multitude of teachings out...all biblical not manmade! You have to learn from the whole Bible... not just a text here and there with no other support! Gods promise's always have conditions!

Me - Unfortunately, I do not have time nor will eBay give me the room to send you the whole Bible, Testimonies for the Church volumes 1 through 9, the Conflict of the Ages Series, etc., so my only choice is sending you a selection of what I believe to be the most pertinent.

Just curious. What is your infallible Bible? I'll be happy to let you know if it has "just a little in it." If it has "just a little in it" and you don't care, we don't have much in common or much to discuss.

Just so you understand, "infallible" means no error at all just like what it means when the pope is said to be infallible when speaking ex cathedra.

Karen - I don't want to get into a debate so I will say goodbye and God Bless you and keep you!

And that has happened every time someone has been hot under the collar when I was so bold as to presume there was any infallible Bible anywhere in the world. Not a one has ever been willing to propose one bible they would be willing to put up against the KJV.

I've also learned how much money I make on a tract of that size. Not counting paper, ink and my time and after I pay for shipping and eBay takes their cut, I make \$0.03. LOL.

Regarding a little bit of feces, users of the NKJV shouldn't worry too much about it.

“So He said to them, ‘Are you thus without understanding also? Do you not perceive that whatever enters a man from outside cannot defile him, because it does not enter his heart but his stomach, and is eliminated, thus purifying all foods?’ ” Mark 7:18-19 from the NKJV.

The context of this passage is when Pharisees complained Jesus' disciples didn't wash their hands before eating. I guess they could have had dirty hands. According to the NKJV “whatever” a man takes into his mouth, goes into his “stomach” and is “eliminated,” is pure coming out the other end. It probably works the same in dogs so Karen shouldn't have been offended about a little feces if her favorite fake bible was the NKJV.

The real Bible says it differently.

“And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him; Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?” Mark 7:18-19 from the KJV.

The real Bible says what enters the mouth goes in to the belly and then into the “draught” (latrine or, in our day, the sewer) and is thus eliminated.

LESSON 5. The Good News of the Judgment (April 22-28)

In the last paragraph on page 41 it says, “Why, then, does it make so much sense to trust the Word of God about what it says regarding the final one, ‘an everlasting kingdom’ that shall never ‘pass away’ ”? If it’s really the Word of God without error you should trust it. If it’s Mark’s favorite fake bible and you know about the errors it contains you will know you can’t trust it.

In the second to the last paragraph on page 43 it says, “Judgment is passed in ‘favor’ of the people of God (*Dan. 7:22*).” Mark has made an elementary error because of his favorite fake bible.

“until the Ancient of Days came, and a judgment was made in favor of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the saints to possess the kingdom.” Daniel 7:22 from the NKJV.

“Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.” Daniel 7:22 from the KJV.

To say “was made in favor of” means the saints were acquitted while “was given to” means the saints were doing the judging.

“Daniel declares that when the Ancient of Days came, ‘judgment was given to the saints of the Most High.’ Daniel 7:22. At this time the righteous reign as kings and priests unto God. John in the Revelation says: ‘I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them.’ ‘They shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.’ Revelation 20:4, 6. It is at this time that, as foretold by Paul, ‘the saints shall judge the world.’ 1 Corinthians 6:2.” *The Great Controversy* page 661.

Mark, the Greek and Hebrew expert, is a paid purveyor of truth by the Seventh-day Adventist Church. All of my study of the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy has been on my own unpaid time when I also had other jobs to do. You should be able to expect something better from the paid professional “Bible” expert Mark. If Mark messed something up, you would think another paid professional purveyor of truth, Clifford Goldstein, the editor of this SSBSG, would have helped him out.

LESSON 6. The Hour of His Judgment (April 29 to May 5)

There is a lot in this lesson that Seventh-day Adventists should know and unfortunately don’t. It’s too bad the lesson was contaminated with a fake bible.

On page 80 of the teachers comments section there appears one of the rare KJV quotations. In fact, it appears TWO TIMES ON THE SAME PAGE! Mark says, “When

would righteousness reign and wickedness end? The answer is found in Daniel 8:14: 'Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.' Mark did this because there is a problem with both of his fake bibles that include the Old Testament.

“And he said to me, ‘For two thousand three hundred days; then the sanctuary shall be cleansed.’ ” Daniel 8:14 from the NKJV.

“He said to me, ‘It will take 2,300 evenings and mornings; then the sanctuary will be reconsecrated.’ ” Daniel 8:14 from the NIV.

“Unto” in the KJV means until and means the sanctuary won't be cleansed until 2,300 days have passed. “For” 2,300 days means some process will go on for 2,300 days resulting in the sanctuary being clean at the end of that time. That is different than something like the investigative judgment starting at the end of that time. To say the sanctuary will be reconsecrated is entirely different than the day of atonement or the investigative judgment and could mean the temple in Jerusalem would be rebuilt and reconsecrated as some believe.

On page 81 of the teachers comments section, Mark gives entirely worthless information regarding Daniel 9:24. He says, “What evidence do we have in the text itself that the 70 weeks are not literal weeks or 490 literal days? The Hebrew expression for ‘weeks’ here is also used as a group of days and can be translated as 70 sevens.” Why does he do this?

“ ‘Seventy ‘sevens’ ’ are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the Most Holy Place.” Daniel 9:24 from the NIV.

It is the translator's job to translate from one language to another whilst giving the obvious meaning of the text. Since the Hebrew expression for “weeks” can be translated “sevens” why isn't it thus translated in all other places in the NIV where “week” or “weeks” appear? And how many people are fluent users of Hebrew or actually have and use a concordance? All Mark should have to do is discuss what the real Bible says in ENGLISH and stop leading his readers through a trash heap.

On page 83 of the teachers comments section Mark says, “The Bible can be trusted. It is mathematically precise.”

“Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, ‘Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?’ Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.” Matthew 18:21-22 from the NIV.

“Then Peter came to Him and said, ‘Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?’ Jesus said to him, ‘I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.’” Matthew 18:21-22 from the NKJV.

“Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.” Matthew 18:21-22 from the KJV.

Do the math; 77 times is different than 70 X 7 times.

LESSON 7. Worshiping the Creator (May 6-12)

On page 94 of the teachers comments section Mark says, “if evolution were true, how many lies we have been told in the Bible.” Then on the next page he, in speaking of the prophet Ezekiel, says Ezekiel clearly states the Sabbath is a symbol of justification and sanctification. Here’s a lie Ezekiel told in Mark’s favorite fake bible.

“ ‘You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. ‘You defiled your sanctuaries By the multitude of your iniquities, By the iniquity of your trading; Therefore I brought fire from your midst; It devoured you, And I turned you to ashes upon the earth In the sight of all who saw you.’ Ezekiel 28:14, 18 from the NKJV..

That passage, as pretty much any Seventh-day Adventist minister would tell you, is about Lucifer who became known as Satan and the Devil. Do you see the part about him being “turned” (past tense) to ashes? That means Satan is already dead. That sounds like a lie to me. The real Bible says Satan will be turned to ashes (future tense) like it really is.

If you have a pastor or Sabbath School teacher who habitually uses the NKJV, ask them about that passage. If they’ve been well educated by the mentally handicapped special people at Andrews University, you’ll be told that the “prophetic perfect” was used in that passage because the event was so sure to happen. That means every prophecy of a future event translated from the Hebrew Scriptures would have to be stated in past tense or it would mean God wasn’t sure it would happen.

LESSON 8. The Sabbath and the End (May 13-19)

Here is the memory text for this lesson; first from the NKJV that it was taken from and then from two other bibles used in this quarterly.

“and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ;” Ephesians 3:9 from the NKJV.

“and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things.” Ephesians 3:9 from the NIV.

“And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:” Ephesians 3:9 from the KJV.

Do you see the problem? “Through Jesus Christ” means Jesus Christ was just the agent through which God created things and even implies that Jesus Christ isn’t even God. The NIV is worse since Jesus Christ has been entirely removed but it is easier to read because it has fewer words. Frequently when something in the NKJV is changed a little compared to the KJV, the real reason for the change becomes plainer in newer and more corrupt bibles.

So, were things created by God or were they created by Jesus Christ?

“The Father wrought by His son in the creation of all heavenly beings. ‘By Him were all things created,... whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him.’ Colossians 1:16.” *Patriarchs and Prophets* page 34.

“The Son of God had wrought the Father’s will in the creation of all the hosts of heaven; and to Him, as well as to God, their homage and allegiance were due. Christ was still to exercise divine power, in the creation of the earth and its inhabitants. But in all this He would not seek power or exaltation for Himself contrary to God’s plan, but would exalt the Father’s glory and execute His purposes of beneficence and love.” *Patriarchs and Prophets* page 36.

“The exaltation of the Son of God as equal with the Father was represented as an injustice to Lucifer, who, it was claimed, was also entitled to reverence and honor.” *Patriarchs and Prophets* page 37.

LESSON 9. A City Called Confusion (May 20-26)

Notice the word “Confusion” in the title of this lesson because it’s very appropriate. The confusion starts on the first page and goes on from there. The following passage was quoted on that page from Mark’s favorite fake bible.

“I have likened the daughter of Zion To a lovely and delicate woman.”
Jeremiah 6:2 from the NKJV.

“I will destroy Daughter Zion, so beautiful and delicate.” Jeremiah 6:2
from the NIV.

The message from two of Mark’s fake bibles seems a bit confused.

Once again Mark quotes part of Revelation 12:17 on page 73 from his favorite fake bible even though neither it nor his other two fake bibles say “remnant” in that verse like he wants it to say.

In the second to the last paragraph on page 73 Mark says, “Look at the wording: this power was one with “ ‘whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication’ ” “ (Rev. 17:2 NKJV). Drunk? Always a negative in the Bible. And fornication? Symbolic of the

false teachings, false doctrine, and practice.” See if you can understand where the false doctrine is in this passage from Mark’s three fake bibles.

“Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.” And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.” Revelation 19:7-8 from the NKJV.

“Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear.” (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of God’s holy people.)”. Revelation 19:7-8 from the NIV.

“Let us rejoice, let us be glad with all our hearts. Let us give him glory, for the wedding day of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. She may be seen dressed in linen, gleaming and spotless—for such linen is the righteous living of the saints.” Revelation 19:7-8 from the PT.

Here’s that passage from the real Protestant Bible.

“Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.” Revelation 19:7-8 from the KJV.

And here’s what the Lord’s Messenger says.

“To the church it is given ‘that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white,’ ‘not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing.’ The fine linen, says the Scripture, ‘is the righteousness of saints.’ It is the righteousness of Christ, His own unblemished character, that through faith is imparted to all who receive him as their personal Saviour.” *Christ’s Object Lessons* page 310.

The three fake bibles all teach righteousness by works just like the Babylon of Revelation does. The saved are not clothed with their “righteous acts” or “righteous living.”

At the bottom of page 73 Mark says, referring to “modern, spiritual Babylon,” “Both leaders and the common people alike have been negatively influenced by this power. What’s our only protection? (*Read Eph. 6:10-18*.)” Mark should review Ephesians 6:17 a few more times.

“And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:” Ephesians 6:17 from the KJV.

It’s not wise going in to battle with a broken sword.

On page 74 Mark says, “When the pure new wine of the gospel is distorted, and the teachings of the Word of God are replaced with teachings of human religious leaders, it

becomes the ‘wine of Babylon.’ (see *Matt. 115:9.*)” I agree with Mark. The problem is, Mark and many others don’t believe there is a single Bible anywhere in the world today without any error and they believe they are authorized to rummage through them and decide what’s true and what isn’t. Doing that, you can teach a multitude of false doctrines from “the Bible.” Here is another example of the wine of Babylon in some of Mark’s fake bibles.

“then the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment,” 2 Peter 2:9 from the NKJV.

“So also the Lord can rescue you and me from the temptations that surround us, and continue to punish the ungodly until the day of final judgment comes.” 2 Peter 2:9 from The Living Bible (TLB).

Notice that in the NKJV the people are “under punishment” until the judgment. Using different wording, TLB says the same thing. Both of those bibles teach the doctrine of hell and purgatory.

You might say, but Mark didn’t use TLB in this quarterly and it’s true; he didn’t. There is a YouTube video titled “Finishing Strong” that was posted in 2019 in which Mark quoted “Taylor’s translation.” I’m confident that it would be a rare person in any Seventh-day Adventist congregation that would know Taylor’s translation is TLB.

On page 74 it says, “When the pure, new wine of the gospel is distorted and the teachings of the Word of God are replaced with the teachings of human religious leaders, it becomes the ‘wine of Babylon.’” I’ll say amen to that.

Do you remember the memory text for the first lesson (Revelation 12:17) where it didn’t say “remnant” following which Mark, in the teachers comments section of that lesson, repeatedly mentioned “remnant?” Well, Mark did it again. On page 119 of the teachers comments section for this lesson, he mentions Revelation 12:17 and then mentions “remnant” twelve times when his favorite fake bible doesn’t say remnant.

LESSON 10. Satan’s Final Deceptions (May 27 to June 2)

On page 82 there is a discussion of the “false understanding of death.” At the end of the second paragraph of lesson 4, I listed two resources that can be used to understand death better. One resource was DeathConfusion.com. Since it’s meant for public consumption, DeathConfusion.com has been softened a bit. There is a tract I’m selling on eBay titled *Seventh-day Adventist Death Confusion* that says very plainly how it is. Seventh-day Adventists by and large don’t understand what the real Bible says about death and the Andrews Study Bible based on the NIV can easily be used to prove that the spirit of man remains conscious after death.

On page 83 Mark says, “The prophet Ezekiel, a contemporary of Daniel, pictured some of God’s people with their backs toward the temple of God worshiping the sun toward the east. Rather than worshiping the Creator of the sun, they worshiped the sun instead.” You should check out hymn 403 in your *Seventh-day Adventist Hymnal* where it says

“When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun.” If you would like to see more hymn heresy, check out hymn 402 where it says, “His broken body in our stead is here.” That would be the Roman Catholic doctrine of the real presence. If you are really ambitious, go to hymn 142 where it says, “Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, While we raise our hearts in love.” Remember? Mary and Joseph are dead and aren’t aiding anyone.

At the bottom of page 83 Mark says, “Look around at how prevalent Sunday worship is in Christian churches. What should this fact teach us about how pervasive Satan’s deceptions are?” I would say, look around at how few (maybe none) Seventh-day Adventist ministers believe there is any infallible Bible anywhere in the world at this time. What should this fact teach us about how pervasive Satan’s deceptions are?

On page 129, Mark says, “Sin is the transgression or the breaking of God’s law.” Mark’s favorite fake bible doesn’t say that.

“Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.”
1 John 3:4 from the NKJV.

“Lawless” means without any law. If I ran a red light occasionally but kept the rest of traffic laws, I wouldn’t be considered “lawless.” Even if I stole a little something occasionally, while many would consider that wrong, they wouldn’t consider me lawless if in general I lived what they thought was a good life. This would be consistent with the Roman Catholic teaching about venial sins that won’t destine you to hell though you will have to pay for a while in purgatory. If Mark wished to define sin as the transgression of the law of God, he shouldn’t be using his favorite fake bible.

“Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.” 1 John 3:4 from the KJV.

On page 135 of the teachers comments section, Mark mentions the “truth of God’s Word.” Let’s see how true Mark’s fake bibles are.

“And God spoke to Moses and said to him: ‘I am the LORD. I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by My name LORD I was not known to them.’ Exodus 6:2-3 from the NKJV.

“God also said to Moses, ‘I am the LORD. I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob as God Almighty, but by my name the LORD I did not make myself fully known to them.’ Exodus 6:2-3 from the NIV.

“And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am the LORD: And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.” Exodus 6:2-3 from the KJV.

“Then Abimelech came to him from Gerar with Ahuzzath, one of his friends, and Phichol the commander of his army. And Isaac said to them, ‘Why have you come to me, since you hate me and have sent me away from you?’ But they said, ‘We have certainly seen that the LORD is with

you. So we said, ‘Let there now be an oath between us, between you and us; and let us make a covenant with you,’ ” Genesis 26:26-28.

“Meanwhile, Abimelek had come to him from Gerar, with Ahuzzath his personal adviser and Phicol the commander of his forces. Isaac asked them, ‘Why have you come to me, since you were hostile to me and sent me away?’ They answered, ‘We saw clearly that the LORD was with you; so we said, ‘There ought to be a sworn agreement between us’—between us and you. Let us make a treaty with you” Genesis 26:26-28 from the NIV.

“Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and Phichol the chief captain of his army. And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye hate me, and have sent me away from you? And they said, We saw certainly that the LORD was with thee: and we said, Let there be now an oath betwixt us, even betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee;” Genesis 26:26-28 from the KJV.

As you can see, Abimelech, Ahuzzath, Phichol and Isaac all knew who the LORD was long before Moses was born. Abraham and Jacob also knew who the LORD was but you can look that up for yourself if it interests you.

LESSON 11. The Seal of God and Mark of the Beast: Part 1 (June 3-9)

On page 49, Mark believes that “patience” in Revelation 14:12 “is better translated ‘steadfast endurance.’ ” None of the bibles Mark has used so far say “steadfast endurance” so I had to look for another one and I found one!

“This requires the steadfast endurance of the saints—those who obey God’s commandments and hold to their faith in Jesus.” Revelation 14:12 from the New English Translation (NET).

Two verses are required to show that the remanent church keeps the commandments and has the Spirit of Prophecy. Those verses are Revelation 12:17 and Revelation 19:10.

“So the dragon became enraged at the woman and went away to make war on the rest of her children, those who keep God’s commandments and hold to the testimony about Jesus.” Revelation 12:17 from the NET.

“And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.” Revelation 12:17 from the KJV.

“So I threw myself down at his feet to worship him, but he said, ‘Do not do this! I am only a fellow servant with you and your brothers and sisters who hold to the testimony about Jesus. Worship God, for the testimony about Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.’” Revelation 19:10 from the NET.

“And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”
Revelation 19:10 from the KJV.

As we have already seen, Mark really wants Revelation 12:17 to say “remnant” but his favorite fake bible doesn’t say that. It must be a real disappointment when the “Bible” that got Revelation 14:12 right doesn’t say remnant in Revelation 12:17. The NET doesn’t even say the “rest of her children” **have** the testimony of Jesus but merely that they hold to the testimony **about** it which is what the majority of Protestants claim to do. Revelation 19:10 in the NET merely reinforces the concept of the testimony being **about** Jesus which everyone has if they possess a Bible.

You cannot prove that one of the identifying characteristics of the remanent church is having the Spirit of Prophecy using the NET.

By the way, the strategy of claiming better translations started many years ago and has been very successful in corrupting doctrine and lessening confidence in the Word of God. There is a bible called Joseph Smith’s “New Translation of the Bible” that’s also called the Inspired Version. In it, in parallel columns are KJV verses and the various verses Joseph Smith thought should be translated differently. Many of the KJV verses are accepted as they read. Here is Joseph’s explanation found on page 12 of that bible. “We believe the Bible to be the word of God so far as it is translated correctly.” Mark has taken up Bible editing just like Joseph Smith, the self proclaimed prophet and founder of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints commonly known as the Mormon Church.

Here's what another champion of Bible editing says.

“The Books of Scripture were originally written in Hebrew and Greek, and you have only the translation. Before you are certain that the translation is faithful you must study the Hebrew and Greek languages, and then compare the translation with the original. How few are capable of this gigantic undertaking.” *Faith of Our Fathers* by James Cardinal Gibbons with a copyright date of 1904 found on page 80.

By the way, if you aren’t familiar with how Roman Catholics do things, the “Cardinal” is not his originally given middle name but his title as a cardinal of the Roman Catholic Church.

LESSON 12. The Seal of God and Mark of the Beast: Part 2 (June 10-16)

There are several interesting statements on page 98. Here’s one.

“It is extremely important to remember that Bible prophecy is describing a system of religion that has compromised God’s Word, substituted human traditions for the gospel, and drifted away from biblical truth.”

I have given many examples on this web site and on others that show what is called “God’s Word” by the princes of our church can’t be called the Word of the infallible God. Our own ministers and theologians seem oblivious to the fact that bibles they have used as “God’s Word” have compromised prophecies, have contradicted the Spirit of Prophecy and have substituted human traditions for the gospel. They don’t believe there is a single Bible in the world without error and they believe themselves authorized to tell you what God really meant to say.

Here's another statement.

“Our message is about a system that has deceived millions.”

Meanwhile they are deceived and are deceiving. It’s hard for me to understand how this happened. If you take the forty plus books the princes of our church have used in official Seventh-day Adventist publications having called them “the Bible” or “the Word of God” or “the Scriptures” or “God’s Word,” you can easily teach enough false doctrine to send someone to hell.

“He who has a knowledge of God and His word through personal experience has a settled faith in the divinity of the Holy Scriptures. He has proved that God’s word is truth, and he knows that truth can never contradict itself.” *The Ministry of Healing* page 462.

It’s hard to believe that Mark, who has quoted Sister White many times in this quarterly, shouldn’t know that a bible that contradicts itself, contradicts Seventh-day Adventist doctrine and contradicts the Spirit of Prophecy, can’t be called “the Word of God” or “God’s Word.” A bible that does that is a fake, a counterfeit and a knock off edited by his Satanic Majesty.

On page 159 of the teachers comments section it mentions that the prophecy of 1,260 days started “when the Ostrogoths abandoned the siege of Rome” in 538 A.D. That is true. What you may not know, and what I’ve never heard a Seventh-day Adventist minister mention, is another prophecy in Daniel 12:11; i.e., that of 1,290 days which would place the start of it in 508 A.D. That started when Clovis, King of the Franks, suppressed the Arians in the region of what is now known as France and some of its surrounding territory. Both the 1,260 and the 1,290 day prophecies were fulfilled when the pope was taken captive in 1798.

LESSON 13. Ablaze With God’s Glory (June 17-23)

On page 104, a favorite subject of Seventh-day Adventists is mentioned again; i.e., “the beast.” Do you recognize this verse?

“Then a third angel followed these two, crying in a loud voice: ‘If any man worships the animal and its statue and bears it’s mark upon his forehead or upon his hand,’ Revelation 14:9 from the PT.

Here’s the verse from other counterfeit bibles.

“Then a third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, ‘If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark on his forehead or on his hand,’” Revelation 14:9 from the NKJV.

“A third angel followed them and said in a loud voice: ‘If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives its mark on their forehead or on their hand,’” Revelation 14:9 from the NIV.

I think that’s a bit better than the PT but there is still a problem.

“And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,” Revelation 14:9 from the KJV.

I like “beast” in that verse since it ties in with those places in Daniel where it says “beast.” The word “statue” is another problem in the PT. It doesn’t link the verse to Daniel either. In addition, the word “statue” has a very limited meaning. Per the Oxford English Reference Dictionary, the entire definition is, “a sculptured, cast, carved, or moulded figure of a person or animal, esp. life-size or larger”. In the same dictionary, “image” has nine different possible meanings including the one most logically applied to Revelation 14:9, i.e., “the character or reputation of a person or thing as generally perceived.”

There is another problem in the PT, NKJV and NIV. Notice that the “mark” is “on” the forehead and “on” the hand. That could be interpreted as some sort of tattoo or bar code. “In the forehead” can be more readily applied to a decision made in the mind.

On page 107 part of Matthew 28:19 is quoted where the NKJV says to “make disciples of all nations”.

Here’s that verse from a bible Mark didn’t use along with the relevant footnote from that bible that should give you a better idea of what that verse teaches in the NKJV.

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,” Matthew 28:19 from the Holy Trinity Edition of the Catholic Bible (HTECB).

“CHAP, 28. VER. 16-20. St. Matthew’s last words are the climax of his Gospel; Christ sends forth His Apostles to conquer the world and make them His disciples.” The footnote from the HTECB.

If you need a better explanation of what “make disciples” means, I’d recommend some reading in *Foxe’s Book of Martyrs*. The real Bible says:

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:” Matthew 28:19 from the KJV.

All through this lesson quarterly, in 200 of the places the NKJV is used, its use is advertised prominently by capital letters in parenthesis and italics. The same is done for the NIV that was used three times in this lesson. In this lesson I counted ten places where terms such as “the Bible,” “God’s Word,” “Word of God” and “Scripture were used and I could have missed some. The KJV was used in only one place with no capital letters or anything else to emphasize its use. The reason the KJV was used in one place on page 173 of the teachers comments section because it says “sin is the transgression of the law” in 1 John 3:4 and none of the three fake bibles say that.

When you emphasize a bible in capital letters and in italicized parenthesis to make it obvious what you are doing, you are advertising it as “God’s Word,” the Bible, etc. People that study this lesson quarterly are going to think the NKJV is THE “Bible” to get. If you advertise a counterfeit “the Bible” as being “God’s Word” without any mention of the error you know it contains, you are a liar. Mark knows there is a problem in the NKJV otherwise he would have used it instead of the KJV for 1 John 3:4.

“Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.” Revelation 22:14-15 from the KJV.

There is a very nice story the end of the lesson about very young lads who had their devotions daily from their Bibles. Most kids aren’t taught to do that. Kids aren’t stupid. They can learn and understand the Bible at a very young age.

SatanIsDead.com
InfallibleBible.com
DeathConfusion.com
AdventistsToday.com
SabbathSchoolGuide.com