

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL

Greek and Hebrew

Study Guide Dangers

Oh, be careful little ears...

- *"Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge."*

Proverbs 19:27

- *"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."*

1 Thessalonians 5:21

The question is: “How do we define a Bible word”?

1. By allowing the context to define the word.
2. By using the Bible’s built-in dictionary.
 - a) First usage.
 - b) Contextual definitions in other passages.
 - c) Sound associations.
3. By using proven, reliable study tools that do not contradict the KVB word or context.

What are those reliable study tools?

A few simple questions should be asked before you take anyone's word for what a Bible word "means":

1. Is the author of the source a born again Christian by his or her own testimony?
2. Does the author of the source believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God?
3. Does their testimony reinforce their teaching or contradict it?

Simple Questions

4. Where did they get their information?
 - a) What is their doctrine?
 - b) What schools did they attend?
 - c) What sources do they cite?
5. Is your study tool using the TR (Textus Receptus) or the WH (Westcott and Hort)?
 - * You may be looking up the wrong Greek word.

Greek Textual Base

- *Revelation 15:3 "King of saints"
(KJB and Received Text)*
- *"King of ages" or "King of nations"
(NIV, NASB)*
- *Lexicon's definition will be given for the
Greek word "aion" (ages, NIV) or "ethnos"
(nations, NASB)*
- *Real Greek word is "hagios" (saints, KJB)*

Professional linguists sound the following alarms, warning naïve Christians that:

- 1. Bible dictionaries and lexicons contain “guesswork” and “cannot be relied on.”**
- 2. Bible dictionaries and lexicons are generally created by “raids on other dictionaries.”**
- 3. Bible dictionaries and lexicon definitions are “obsolete.”**
- 4. Bible dictionaries and lexicon definitions are often taken from Bible “translations” and “commentaries.”**

“That word in Greek really means.”

- *“Then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts.”*

Luke 8:12

- **Instead of saying “The Greek says,” one should more correctly say, “Liddell says,” “Vincent says,” “Trench says,” or “Brown, Driver and Briggs say.”**

WOULD YOU INVITE A “BIBLE SCHOLAR” WHO IS NOT A BORN AGAIN BELIEVER, DOES NOT BELIEVE IN THE VIRGIN BIRTH, INSPIRATION OF THE SCRIPTURE, OR A LITERAL HEAVEN AND HELL TO SPEAK AT YOUR CHURCH?

Would you have in your pulpit men who used the RV and ASV? Strong and Vine used them exclusively.

What does the Bible say?

- *"...**the sheep hear his voice**: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: **for they know his voice**. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: **for they know not the voice of strangers**."*

John 10:3-5

What does the Bible say?

- *"They that handle the law knew me not..."*
Jeremiah 2:8
- *"...not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual."*
I Corinthians 2:13
- *"Wherefore hearest thou men's words...?"*
I Samuel 24:9

What does the Bible say?

- *"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly"*

Psalm 1:1

- *"Every day they wrest my words"*

Psalm 56:5

- *"He is proud, knowing nothing, but dotting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth...from such **withdraw thyself**"*

I Timothy 6:4-5

What does the Bible say?

- *“Mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and **avoid them**. For they... by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple”*
Romans 16:17, 18

Consider

- That which is given by inspiration of God requires a spiritual life in the one who teaches it. *He shall lead you into all truth. Only those taught of the Spirit may expound it.*