FOREWORD

Over many years of discussions with ordinary Christians we have established that there is a vast ignorance amongst them regarding the contents of their respective Bibles. Majority of them have not even read their Bible completely even <u>once</u> in their lives, so they are totally unacquainted of the verses that are quoted in this book from their Bibles. Just as unaware are the Jehovah Witness missionaries that go knocking on people's doors, because they cannot answer simple questions. We have even come across a few priests and pastors who are in the same category. It will stun most of them when they realize that these verses are from their own Bibles.

This book is an abridged version of 'MY BIBLE SAYS THIS... MY BIBLE SAYS THAT'. For the full version one can download it free from the website NOBELIEFS.COM.

We want to state clearly that our intention is not to hurt anyone's religious beliefs, but it is merely to quote verbatim from the K.J.V. Bible a few of those verses most Christians are oblivious of. Anyone is welcome to check the references.

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The Catholic Church states:

"Bible, Manuscripts of the. Copies of the Biblical text, written by hand. The text of the Bible has been handed down to us through handwritten and printed copies of the original writings and through translations into various ancient and modern languages. None of the original manuscripts written by the inspired authors themselves (autographs) is known to exist, but there are many ancient copies of the originals."¹

The Protestants kill TWO BIRDS with one bullet:

"Since no autograph of any book of the Bible has survived, textual criticism plays an important part in Bible study. The material on which *textual critics of the Bible work* includes not only manuscript copies of the books of the Bible in their original languages² but also ancient translations into other languages and quotations of biblical passages by ancient authors" [*our emphases*].³

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J. P. O'Connell, et al. The Holy Family Bible Holy Family Edition of the : 1 Catholic Bible, from a Practical Dictionary of Biblical and General Catholic Informa-.tion, Virtue and Company Limited: London, 1959, p. 30

This is a deliberate untruth as no originals are in existence, and even the : f language that Jesus spoke is unknown. In the Catholic Bible of 1959, on page 30 of the Bible Dictionary it clearly states that the language that Jesus spoke was a dialect of <u>Ara-</u><u>maic</u>, and this dialect is unknown. This makes the above statement of the Protestants !false

[.]New Bible Dictionary, 1978, p. 151 :

BIBLE OKAYS EATING OF HUMAN SHIT:

"And thou shalt eat it as barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight. And the LORD said, Even thus shall the children of Israel eat their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will drive them." (Ezekiel 4:12-13)

How many good Christians today realize that their God has coprophilic tendencies?

One wonders what nutritional or moral value it would serve the people to eat human feces with their bread, as God ordered. God here has also ordered the voyeuristic operation without explanation. Although in verses <u>14-15</u> the poor Israelites complain about eating abominable flesh, God (in his "wonderful" grace) *changes his mind* and allows them to substitute human feces with cow feces. Gee, thanks a lot God! (As if eating cow excrement makes much of a difference).

[Note: some have tried to interpret "dung" as fuel here but nothing in those verses relates to anything at all about fuel and it specifically says to bake it "with" dung. Moreover the verses speak of "defiled bread" and "abominable flesh" which obliterates the fuel theory. During biblical times barley served as a poor-man's staple. They also fed their cattle barley, which may explain the adding of dung (with its undigested barley) to the cake to increase the barely content.]

BIBLE OKAYS EATING OF HUMAN SHIT & DRINKING OF PISS:

"But Rabshakeh said unto them, Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee, to speak these words? hath he not sent me to the men which sit on the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?" (II Kings 18:27)

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Whatever moral lesson an adult might gain from such questionable verses, one can only wonder. How many parents realize that their children, who might come across such filthy passages, could get the wrong message? Any mention of eating feces and drinking urine in any secular writing would get considered obscene and sick by any righteous minded Christian. Then why should it not receive the same consideration if found in a bible? Might we ask what artistic or social value this verse presents? Note the word "piss" stands as one of the censored vulgar words of the public television industry. If Christians wish to censor such language from secular sources, then it behooves them to give them as an example and thus censor the obscene verses from their own Bible. (*See also Isaiah 36:12*)

BIBLE OKAYS CANNIBALISM:

Boil and Eat Your Son: "And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son tomorrow. So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the next day, Give thy son, that we may eat him: and she hath hid her son...." (II Kings 6:28-29)

According to the Bible, a horrible famine took place in Samaria where in desperation; the people ate whatever they could. The cannibalistic eating of a son may provide sufficient nutrition for a mother but disregards the puissant nature of humans to protect their young. Although the Bible does not explain if the son had already died or if the parent deliberately killed him for food, this dreadful example goes against human nature. Long before bibles or written language, humans evolved as social animals that required the protection of their offspring. Only the dogmatic insistence of a belief-system could supersede the natural instincts of humans. Hopefully readers of the Bible who might one day experience a famine will not subvert their natural instinct for this kind of horrific example in Scripture. May I suggest that if you cannot control your belief to eat your children, sacrifice your priest and eat him instead; that way you gain far more

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protein for you *and your children*, and when you say grace, you'll have someone to really thank for your food.

BIBLE ORDERS TO KILL BABIES AND TO BE HAPPY WHILE DOING IT:

Happy To Kill Children: "Happy shall he be, that taketh and dasheth thy little ones against the stones." (<u>Psalms 137:9, KJV</u>)

"How blessed will be the one who seizes and dashes your little ones Against the rock." (<u>Psalms 137:9, New American Bible</u>)

"Happy the man who shall seize and smash your little ones against the rock!" (Psalms 137:9, New American Bible)

"a blessing on anyone who seizes your babies and shatters them against a rock!" (Psalms 137:9, Jerusalem Bible)

Ask a Christian friend whether he or she should feel happy to dash a child against the rocks. Your friend will most likely stare at you in horror; much less believe this idea exists in their sacred Bible. Many Churches have found this verse quite embarrassing. No wonder why priests, Jews, and Christians alike, who quote from <u>Psalms 137</u>, always leave out this last verse. (See also <u>Isaiah 13:16</u>; <u>Hosea 13-16</u>)

BIBLE ORDERS THAT A WIFE'S HAND MUST BE CUT OFF BY HER OWN HUSBAND IF SHE HELPS TO SAVE HIS LIFE:

Cut Off Her Hand! "When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets: then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pity her." (Deuteronomy 25:11-12)

A wife would naturally wish to come to the aid of her husband in

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any way she could if he desperately struggled with an opponent, but the Hebrew law specifically forbade a wife to help her husband in distress if that support consisted of her grabbing the enemy's genitals in an effort to stifle his onslaught. <u>The penalty?</u> **Amputation of the hand that fondled the genitals!** Only in an overly obsessive male dominated culture could men create such atrocious laws. As such, the penis ranked sacrosanct in the minds of men (as it still stands today). If a male lost his penis for any reason, he would lose the right to enter a congregation of God. (See <u>Deuteronomy 23:1</u>)

BIBLE ORDERS HATRED OF YOUR OWN FAMILY:

Hate Your Family! "If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:26)

This remarkable statement of hate by Jesus directly contradicts the idea of a loving Christ. If one must hate their father, mother, wife, children, brethren and sisters and even themselves, in order to become a disciple of Jesus, one must question Christ's idea love, family, and decency. (*See also Luke 12:51-53, Matthew 10:34-37.*)

<u>Note:</u> A few desperate apologists attempt to dismiss this verse claiming that the word 'hate' here really doesn't mean what it says. The problem with this approach boarders on complete deception and the ironic dismissal of the Bible and Biblical scholarship. The word 'hate' here comes from the ancient Greek word 'miseo' which means hate (from the primary 'misos' [hatred]). If any synonym could substitute for this word, it would come from a word like 'detest,' 'loath,' or 'despise.' Moreover, virtually all Bibles translate the term as hate. To deny this intent means to deny the Bible and the alleged word of Jesus.

"There was a time when religion ruled the world. It is known as

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The Dark Ages." -Ruth Hurmence Green :(The Born Again Skeptic's Guide to the Bible)

BIBLE OKAYS KILLING OF INNOCENT BABIES:

God Kills the Firstborns: "And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle. And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead." (Exodus 12:29-30)

If we believe every word in the Bible as coming from God, then it stands to reason that the violent actions from the God described in Exodus cannot give us a moral comparison to live our lives in a peaceful world. If one wishes to believe that God possess love for His creations, then the killing of innocent children cannot possibly come from God, and therefore, these verses from the Bible must have come elsewhere. But note that if one takes the Bible's words as absolute truth, then not only did God smote the firstborn children, but *all* firstborn regardless of age. This means all firstborn teenagers, firstborn men and women, firstborn octogenarians, and even all firstborn cows and bulls. Regardless of how much love, charity, or goodness they may have imparted to the world, if they had the unfortunate luck to have first passed through their mother's vagina in the land of Egypt, according to the Bible, God killed them!

BIBLE OKAYS RACIAL KILLINGS OF BLACK PEOPLES:

God Slaughters Blacks: "And there came out against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an host of a thousand thousand, and three hundred chariots..." (II Chronicles 14:9)

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So the LORD smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled. (<u>II Chronicles 14:12</u>)

It appears that Black Christian Bible studies programs ignore these verses, for it says that the Lord God slaughtered over a million blacks. The association of black with evil goes far back in Western Christian culture. The early Church fathers, Origen, Jerome, and Augustine of Hippo wrote about devils appearing as Ethiopians. White racist groups (such as the Klu Klux Klan who think of themselves as opposite of black devils) see these Biblical verses as evidence to justify their beliefs. We still hear phrases such as "Prince of Darkness" or "Black magic" which link blackness with sin. In the story of Ham and Japheth, the word "ham" has connotations of "hot" and "dark" in Semitic languages. To the ancient Israelites, as well as some modern Jews and Christians, the "children of Ham" had dark skin and lived in eastern Africa. Thus they see the "Curse of Ham" as a link with black skin and sexual license.

BIBLE OKAYS KILLING AND MURDER:

Kill Man, Woman, Infant: "Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember that which Amalek did to Israel, how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt. Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass." (I Samuel 15:2-3)

No matter how one can justify possible crimes from adults, suckling infants have no means of acting out crimes. And what evil against God could the animals have possibly performed? Only an evil entity could kill innocent infants and animals, no matter what their parents and owners may have done.

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BIBLE OKAYS PORNOGRAPHY AND DESCRIBES PENIS:

Biblical Pornography: "Yet she multiplied her whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the days of her youth, wherein she had played the harlot in the land of Egypt. For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh is as the flesh of asses, and whose issue is like the issue of horses." (Ezekiel 23: 19-21)

"and lusted after her paramours there, whose members were like those of donkeys, and whose emission was like that of stallions." (Ezekiel 23: 21, NRSV)

The story of the sister whores, Aholah and Aholibah gives a moral lesson against the sins of the flesh. But why does God have to describe their adventures in such pornographic detail? Does God love porn? What parent would want their children reading <u>verse 21</u> about comparing the size of men's penises to donkey genitals and the sperm flow to that of horse issues? As any adult religious parent might believe, such lustful descriptions, if culled from secular sources, would corrupt children should they happen to read them. Should it not also corrupt children if read from the Bible?

BIBLE OKAYS INCEST AND RACIAL MURDER:

Cain's Wife?: "And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch." (Genesis 4:17)

What wife? At that time only Adam & Eve, Cain and Abel existed on the Earth. The only possibility comes from, either a grave omission from the Bible, or his mother Eve served as his wife. The second possibility would mean incest. After Cain killed his brother, God protected him by setting "a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him

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should kill him." (verse 14). Considering the earth supposedly had only Adam's family, who should kill him? And what kind of mark could have protected Cain? From the absurdity of this story, it should not surprise why anyone would read into it what they wanted. Certain inane beliefs resulted such as the common belief that the "mark of Cain" meant the dark skin of the "Negro" race.

BIBLE OKAYS NAKEDNESS AND IMMORAL MANNERS:

David Uncovers Himself: "And David danced before the LORD with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart." (II Samuel 6:14-16). "Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel today, who uncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovereth himself!" (II Samuel 6:20)

Imagine King David dancing and leaping with all his might while uncovering himself to the crowd. David's wife, in effect, says, "Well, you certainly made an ass of yourself at the temple today leaping and dancing about like an idiot and exposing yourself." (*Note*: An "ephod" describes an embroidered robe that looks similar to a woman's dress)

BIBLE ORDERS DEATH PENALTY FOR ADULTERERS:

Death to Adulterers: "And the man that committeth adultery with another man's wife, even he that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be

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put to death. And the man that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them." (<u>Leviticus 20:10-11</u>)

Few Christians today consider death as a punishment for adultery; no doubt because so many Christians, themselves, practice sexual liaisons with other people's spouses. (J.W-Note, however, that a growing number of heterosexual fundamentalists have begun to call for the death penalty for homosexuals simply because Leviticus 20:13 calls for the death of a man who lies with mankind (homosexuality))

BIBLE OKAYS DRUNKENNESS, FEMALE NAKEDNESS AND DRUGS:

Drugs and Aphrodisiacs: "Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages. Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish, whether the tender grape appear, and the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my loves. The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates are all manner of pleasant fruits, new and old, which I have laid up for thee, O my beloved." (Song of Solomon 7:11-13)

The poetry of the Songs of Solomon give Scriptural testimony for love, sex and the beauty of the female body, a rare and usually ignored portion of the Bible by many fundamentalist Christians. The mandrakes mentioned here describe a Mediterranean herb of the nightshade family of plants. To this day in the Middle East, people believe it overcomes impotence in men and acts as a powerful aphrodisiac. Even the roots have a decidedly phallic appearance. Ancient physician, Galen, wrote that pomegranate possessed antifertility properties. Many women in ancient days used pomegranate, (as well as other plants) for birth control, with little interference from religious or political authorities. Studies in the 1930s showed that pomegranate reduced fertility in laboratory animals,

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much as modern contraceptive pills do. [*Archaeology, March/April* 1994] (See also <u>Genesis 30:14</u>)

"Whenever we read the obscene stories, the voluptuous debaucheries, the cruel and tortuous executions, the unrelenting vindictiveness with which <u>more than half</u> the Bible is filled, it would be more consistent that we call it the word of a demon than the word of God. It is a history of wickedness that has served to corrupt and brutalize humankind." --Thomas Paine

GOD WALKS AROUND ON THE EARTH:

Fecal disposal: "And thou shalt have a paddle upon thy weapon; and it shall be, when thou wilt ease thyself abroad, thou shalt dig therewith, and shalt turn back and cover that which cometh from thee: For the LORD thy God walketh in the midst of thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thine enemies before thee; therefore shall they camp be holy: that he see no unclean thing in thee, and turn away from thee." (Deuteronomy 23:13-14)

These verses ask us to believe that God has concern for fecal waste disposal outside a military camp because God personally wishes to walk within the camp. Now really!

GOD GIVES HEMORRHOIDS GIVES BOWEL DISEASES:

God Given Hemorrhoids: "The LORD will smite thee with the botch of Egypt, and with the emerods, and with the scab, and with the itch, whereof thou canst not be healed." (Deuteronomy 28:27)

"But the hand of the LORD was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he destroyed them, and smote them with emerods, [even] Ashdod and the coasts thereof" (<u>1 Samuel 5:6</u>)

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"And it was [so], that, after they had carried it about, the hand of the LORD was against the city with a very great destruction: and he smote the men of the city, both small and great, and they had emerods in their secret parts." (<u>1 Samuel 5:9</u>)

"Behold with a great plague will the LORD smite thy people and thy children, and thy wives, and all thy goods: And thou shalt have great sickness by disease of thy bowels, until thy bowels fall out by reason of the sickness day by day." (II Chronicles 21:14-15)

"And after all this the LORD smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease. And it came to pass, that in process of time, after the end of two years, his bowels fell out by reason of sickness: so he died of sore diseases. And his people made no burning for him, like the burning of his fathers." (II Chronicles 12:18-19)

When Israel felt rebellious against God's plan, He threatened them with type of plague: <u>"emerods"</u> or by today's terminology, "hemorrhoids." No wonder why so many atheists consider God a pain in the ass. But then again, Christians and Jews develop hemorrhoids too. If you happen to develop hemorrhoids, then you can trust the Bible that God considers you an enemy.

GOD HAS FECAL FETISH:

"If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the LORD of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay it to heart. Behold, I will corrupt your seed, and spread dung upon your faces, even the dung of your solemn feasts; and one shall take you away with it." (<u>Malachi 2:2-</u><u>3</u>)

Amazingly God appears to have a fecal fetish. This commandment

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to the priests told by the Lord gives example of the Satanic threats of curses He seems to enjoy. What should one think of a God that would smear feces upon the faces of his creations? Such vulgarity can hardly give good example to high morality.

BIBLE OKAYS HOWLING LIKE AN ANIMAL AND STRIPPING NAKED:

Howl and Strip Naked: "Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the owls." (<u>Micah 1:8</u>)

The minor prophets felt influenced from Isaiah and these words of Micah indicate that he would imitate Isaiah's nudist actions as an adjunct to his prophesying. Picture in your mind a religious man of today stripping and running around totally nude and prophesying in public, wailing and hooting at the top of his lungs. No doubt the police would snatch him up in a second while citizens stare in embarrassment. It just goes to show how far we have demeaned ourselves and our bodies as shameful. (See also Isaiah 20:2-4)

BIBLE OKAYS INCEST:

Incestuous Relations: "And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of man." (Genesis 2:23)

"And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD. And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground." (Genesis 4:1-2). "And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch..." (Genesis 4:17)

Since Eve came from Adam and due to God's edict to "be fruitful and multiply," this describes the first incestual relationship. In 4:17 one

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must infer incest for Cain would have had to have sex with either his own mother, Eve, or an unnamed sister. For other examples of Biblical incest see <u>Gen. 20:12</u> where Abraham married his half-sister Sarah; <u>Gen. 19:30-38</u> where Lot's daughters had intercourse with him; <u>Gen. 38:16</u> where Tamar had sex with her father-in-law Judah. People should become aware that many of today's incestuous abuses occur in Christian families and many use Biblical scripture for its justification.

BIBLE ENCOURAGES <u>FARTING</u> IN TUNE:

Passing Wind: "Wherefore my bowels shall sound like a harp for Moab, and mine inward parts for Kirharesh". (Isaiah 16:11)

This passage refers to the flatulent passing of gas in <u>musical fashion</u> from the bowels of a prophet. Could this represent a rare instance of humor in the Bible? (How many Christians can fart in tune?)

1. DEATH TO THOSE WHO PISSING AGAINST THE WALL:

Piss Crimes: "therefore, behold, I will bring evil upon the house of Jerobo'am, and will cut off from Jerobo'am him that pisseth against the wall..." (<u>I Kings 14:10</u>)

If God brings evil, then what makes Him different from Satan? Although the unsanitary practice of urinating on walls might have caused serious erosion of the mud walls, bringing evil appears excessive punishment for such a minor offense. Note, the word 'pisseth' translates from the Hebrew word 'shathan' [shaw-than'] which means to make water, i.e. urinate, or piss (See also <u>I Kings 16:8-11</u>, <u>I Kings 21:21</u>, and <u>II Kings 9:8-10</u>.)

2. DEATH TO THOSE WHO PISSITH AGAINST THE WALL:

Pisseth Against Walls: "And it came to pass, when he began to

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reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, that he slew all the house of Baasha: he left him not one that pisseth against a wall, neither of his kinsfolks, nor of his friends." (<u>I Kings 16:11</u>)

Consider that many Christians tell us to believe all of the Bible, must we also include this vulgar language as the inspiration of God? (See also <u>I Kings 14:10</u>, <u>21:21</u>; <u>II Kings 9:8</u>.)

BIBLE OKAYS NAKEDNESS:

Prophesy in the Nude: "At the same time spake the LORD by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, Go and loose the sackcloth from off thy loins, and put off thy shoe from thy foot. And he did so, walking naked and barefoot. And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and barefoot three years for a sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia; So shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt." (Isaiah 20:2-4)

Although Saul acted on his own, God gave Isaiah a direct injunction to prophesy in the nude, and that it should continue for three years. God seems not the least offended by nudity when it comes to prophesying, yet he imbues his followers with shame over nudity associated with sex, especially when it involves pagan sex worship. (*See also <u>Micah 1:8</u>*)

NO PENIS? BEING A BASTARD? SO PUNISHMENT:

The Sacred Penis: "He that is wounded in the stones, or hath his privy member cut off, shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD. A bastard shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the congregation of the LORD." (Deuteronomy 23:1-2)

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Consider the religious man who happens to accidentally receive an injury to his testicles (stones) or the loss of his penis (privy member). According to the Bible, and regardless of his righteousness or goodwill toward men, mind you, but just because he lacks a penis, he should never enter a Church or Temple. Also pity a poor man born of a mother who, for whatever reason, including rape, may have born him out of wedlock. He too should, according to the Bible, never enter the Lord's congregation.

BIBLE CONDONES SLAVERY:

Beat That Slave: "And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes." (Luke 12:47)

Note: "servant" here means slave. The Biblical Jesus lived in a time when slavery flourished, yet He never spoke or fought against it.

"English North Americans embraced slavery because they were Christians, not in spite of it... It was Christianity that perverted the African's way of life. Not leaving them alone was the real tragedy." --Forrest G. Wood

BIBLE CONDONES CURSING CHILDREN:

Curse the Children: "And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcases be wasted in the wilderness. After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise." (Numbers 14:33-34)

This cruel curse on children attributed to God, for the sins of their parents, bears the typical harsh vengeful evil spirit that permeates the Old Testament. How can one not conclude that these verses give the

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greatest insult to a loving God?

BIBLE CONDONES CANNIBALISM:

Eat Your Children: "And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD they God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straightness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee:" (Deuteronomy 28:53)

"And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all things secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates." (Deuteronomy 28:57)

Here we have the horrific calling for cannibalism. It comes even more barbaric considering it calls for the devouring of their own sons and daughters. Hardly anyone today accepts cannibalism, yet many fundamentalist Christians would have us believe that cannibalism or some other depravity will result if we choose not to believe in God or to choose another god. (See also <u>II Kings 6:28-29</u>)

BIBLE CONDONES SLAVERY AND VIOLENCE AGAINST SLAVES:

God Accepts Slavery: "And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free: Then his master shall bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul; and he shall serve him forever." (Exodus 21:5-<u>6</u>)

The Bible bears witness to the fact that God accepts not only slavery

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but violence against such slaves (in this case a awl driven through the ear) for the innocent statement of love for their master, wife and children. It came from precisely these verses that justified, in many peoples' minds, the tortures inflicted on African slaves when they tried to leave their cruel masters in the American colonies. "Good" Christians of the day would drive nails and spikes through the ears of defenseless slaves whose only offense came from the will to no longer serve as slaves. Not until after the Civil War did federal laws become enacted to protect African Americans from gross physical abuse. Even today, the KKK and "the Aryan Race" use the Bible as justification for their attacks against "Negroes."

BIBLE CONDONES VIOLENCE AGAINST SLAVES:

God Condones Slavery: "Both thy bondmen, and thy bondmaids, which thou shalt have, shall be of the heathen that are round about you; of them shall ye buy bondmen and bondmaids." (Leviticus 25:44, KJV). "As for the male and female slaves whom you may have, it is from the nations around you that you may aquire male and female slaves." (Leviticus 25:44, NRSV)

The Biblical meaning rings clear: God not only condones slavery, but gives permission to buy and own slaves. The Southern United States fought The Civil War over such Scriptural teachings.

BIBLE ORDERS TO COMMIT ADULTERY:

God Orders Adultery: "This said the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun." (<u>II Samuel 12:11</u>)

Here describes God, not only condoning adultery, but literally causes it to happen! *Note also*, the strange assertion that God raises up evil,

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supposedly an act reserved for Satan. In fact, nowhere does the Bible accuse Satan of raising evil. Little do most faithful realize that they worship a raiser and creator of evil (for God's creation of evil, see <u>Isaiah 45:7</u>).

BIBLE OKAYS ABORTION:

God's OK on Abortion: "And when he hath made her drink the water, then it shall come to pass, that, if she be defiled, and have done trespass against her husband, that the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, and become bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall rot: and the woman shall be a curse among her people. And if the woman be not defiled, but be clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive seed." (Numbers 5:27-28)

This nonsensical ritual, prescribed by God, to a woman suspected of infidelity, must undergo the drinking of a vile concoction made of bitter water and dust from the floor of a tabernacle. A priest calls a curse upon the woman's head to insure that if she has acted in adultery the drinking of the liquid will cause her to have a miscarriage. If she comes out clean, then she shall conceive.

Regardless of how ridiculous this procedure seems, any person who believes every word of the Bible must come to terms with the realization that the quoted God here sometimes authorizes abortion. (also see <u>Num. 5:1-25</u>)

BIBLE ORDERS HUMAN SACRIFICE LIKE THE PAGANS OF OLD TIME:

Human Sacrifice: "Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors: the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me." (Exodus 22:29)

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This verse refers to human sacrifice which many primitive cultures practiced. In the Canaanite world the Molech cult practiced human sacrifice and many scholars equate Yahweh with the Molech god. Explicit references to Molech appear in Lev. 18:21, 20:2-5; Jer. 32:35 and II Kings 23:10. Fortunately, few people believe in sacrificing humans directly to gods these days (but Christian leaders still sacrifice soldiers and innocent men, women, and children in the name of "freedom" and God).

(See also <u>Gen. 22:1-19</u> for Abraham's will to sacrifice his son Isaac, and <u>Judges 11</u>). (Another incongruity is that Ishmael was the first born and was supposed to be sacrificed, but here the second born is said to be sacrificed.)

HATE SPEECH- BIBLE ENCOURAGES HATE TOWARDS THE JEWS:

Jesus calls the Jews, Serpent Jews: "Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?" (<u>Matthew</u> <u>23:33</u>)

<u>Chapter 23</u> describes the famous diatribe of Jesus against the Jewish leaders. Such biblical words have, for centuries, given believers' justification for Jewish hatred. This verse, spoken by the alleged Jesus himself, compares the unbelieving Jews with the serpent devil.

BIBLE CONFIRMS THAT JESUS CAME TO KILL AND DID COME FOR PEACE:

Slay Enemies: "But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me." (Luke 19:27)

Although Jesus in one instance calls for the love of enemies, at the end of the parable of ten pounds, he orders to slay his enemies that would deny his reign (Luke 19:12-27). Despite the commandment not to kill,

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Jesus accepts the killing of humans here. Believers try to escape this problem by claiming, "Well, it's *just* a parable." Of course when Jesus gives a parable about love or living, *then* the parable serves as an important lesson which the faithful should take seriously. So also must any of Jesus' parables. Nor can one escape by route of metaphorical excuse. The parable clearly connects the "nobleman" with Jesus (see v. 12), and there occurs no other meaning for a metaphorical "slay" other than words like "kill," "slaughter," "massacre," etc.

Although there occurs scholarly debate as to whether Jesus meant verse 27 as part of the parable or as a non-parable conclusion, it has far more serious consequences if believed as a parable. Why? Because a parable instructs beyond the life-time of the parable's author. If the author of these words meant it only as an example during Jesus' alleged life on earth, then it would serve only as a request of Jesus during his life time. But as a parable, it lives through the followers of Jesus who believe that he still lives (in Heaven) and that they might follow his commands, even after his death-and-resurrection. As a parable then, slaying of enemies "before me" (in Jesus' spirit) instructs believers well past the alleged life of Jesus. If anyone needs Biblical justification to kill anyone who denies Jesus, or whom you believe acts as an enemy, you need only to believe this verse.

BIBLE TELLS US THAT DONKEYS CAN TALK:

The Talking Donkey: "And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she fell down under Balaam: and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the ass with a staff. And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, 'What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times?' And Balaam said unto the ass, 'Because thou hast mocked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, for now would I kill thee.' And the ass said unto Balaam, 'Am not I thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden ever since I was thine unto this day? was I ever wont to do so unto thee?'

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And he said, 'Nay.'" ... (Numbers 22:27-30)

Here we have, as absurd as it may seem, a <u>talking</u> donkey. If we came across a talking animal, would we not feel amazed? Yet, oddly, Balaam here seems not the least bit concerned and converses with the ass as if nothing unusual had happened! Given that millions of fundamentalists believe every world in the Bible, they would have us also believe that the Bible has its own version of <u>Mr. Ed.</u> Notice that Balaam's cruel behavior to the donkey seems to have mimicked God's jealous behavior towards His people. Yet God responds to Balaam: "thy way is perverse before me." (Num. 22:32)

BIBLE SAYS GOD HAS A FACE AND 'BACKSIDE':

The Back Parts of God: "And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend..." (Exodus 33:11)

"And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live. And the LORD said, Be-hold, there is a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock: and it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a cleft of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by: and I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts; but my face shall not be seen." (Exodus 33:20-23)

In <u>verse 11</u> we read that God spoke to Moses, face-to-face. Yet in seeming contradiction, we have later God telling Moses that he cannot see His face. Instead, God decides to show Moses his back parts! "Back parts" of course serves as a euphemism for "ass". In other words, God here says to Moses "thou shalt see my ass." I'll leave it to the readers to ponder the possible sexual orientation of God as he shows Moses his bare bottom.

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BIBLE SAYS BEASTS ARE PROTECTING GOD'S THRONE:

Beasts In Heaven: "And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, WHICH WAS, AND IS , AND IS TO COME." (Revelation 4:6-8)

Here we have a rare description of heaven where it appears frightening with strange beasts. One cannot help to think that it seems more a description of Hell than a heaven. (*See also <u>Rev. 5</u>*)

BIBLE CONFIRMS THAT JESUS HAD BROTHERS:

The Brethren Of Jesus: "After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples: and they continued there not many days." (John 2:12)

This verse describes Jesus and his brethren. Jesus Christ's bloodrelated siblings directly contradicts the Catholic concept of the lifelong virginity of the mother Mary. Some Christians have attempted to defend this contradiction by pointing out that brethren have two meanings: it could mean brothers from the same parents, or it could mean colleagues or friends. However, the use of the word "disciples" suggests that brothers and disciples constitute two separate groups. Therefore, brethren must mean <u>brothers</u> in this context.

Note that <u>Mark 6:3</u> mentions brothers and sisters that can only mean blood siblings. Also, nowhere in the Gospel of John or Mark does it mention Jesus' birth or Mary as a virgin. Considering that a virgin

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birth of the Son of God would seem of utmost importance, it appears rather odd that these Gospels do not mention it.

BIBLE SAYS THAT JESUS HAD HORNS:

Christ with Horns: "And I beheld, and lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth." (<u>Rev- 5:6</u>)

Biblical scholars agree that "a Lamb" refers to the crucified Christ. Strangely, Jesus here appears to look devilish with horns and multiple eyes. How can this description of heaven inspire an image of a peaceful afterlife with all these ghastly beasts and spirits about? (See also <u>Rev. 4</u>) It should come to no surprise where some early Gnostic cults got the idea that, not only the Church, but Jesus represented Satan and the embodiment of Evil. And who do the literalists claim as the "seven Spirits of God"?

BIBLE SAYS JESUS HAD A VERY BAD TEMPER:

Christ's Temper: "And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; And said unto them that sold doves, 'Take these things hence; make not my Father's house a house of merchandise." (John 2:14-16)

Here we have Jesus' temper and violence showing. It must have taken considerable fortitude to drive all the moneychangers out and then have the nerve to pour their money out and turn over their tables. Consider what would happen today if a man entered a Church bake sale and threw everyone out and violently turned over the tables. No

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doubt the police would come and throw him in the slammer.

BIBLE SAYS THAT GOD HAS AN EVIL SPIRIT (1):

The Evil Spirit of the Lord: "And it came to pass, when the evil spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him." (I Samuel 16:23)

Here it specifically describes an evil spirit from God! What religious killer could not also view this passage as justification for his evil nature? Note that many murderers and serial killers have attributed the Biblical God to the reason for their slaughters. If the Religious Right feels so adamant about eliminating violence and pornography from secular literature, then why have they not seen that the Bible has influenced more deaths and atrocities than any other literature in the history of mankind? (See <u>I Samuel 19:9</u>)

BIBLE SAYS THAT GOD HAS AN EVIL SPIRIT (2):

The Evil Spirit Of The Lord: "And the evil spirit from the LORD was upon Saul, as he sat in his house with his javelin in his hand: and David played with his hand." (I Samuel 19:9)

Consider that many modern Judeo-Christians consider God the opposite of evil, yet here we have again the clear Biblical wording of evil coming from the LORD. In early Christian history, several Gnostic cults believed that the Orthodox Church as well as the Old Testament came from Satan. The Church, of course, labeled these Gnostics as heretics and burned their books as well as the heretics themselves. Reading the Old Testament appears to affirm the observation that God and Satan, if not one in the same, at least work as a team. (See also I Samuel 16:23)

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BIBLE SAYS THAT JESUS CALLED PETER A SATAN, YET HE BECAME THE FIRST POPE:

Get Thee behind Me Satan: "And I say also unto thee, That thou artPeter, and upon this rock I will build my church..."(Matthew16:18)

"But he turned, and said unto Peter. Get thee behind me Satan: thou art an offence unto me. For thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of man". (<u>Matthew 16:23</u>)

Many believers think that when Jesus said "Get thee behind me," he had spoken this only to Satan (as in Luke 4:8). Not so. Many Catholics feel honored to belong to the original church established by Jesus. To this day, Catholics acknowledge Peter as the first Pope, the "rock" that Jesus built his church upon. But in just five verses later, amazingly, we have Jesus calling Peter, Satan. Did Satan really pose as the first Pope or did Jesus simply vilify again? Can you imagine a business owner promoting a man to a job, and then just after the promotion, arguing about his job qualifications? Jesus seems to have a poor sense of delegating duty to the right person here. Furthermore soon before Jesus died, Peter denied knowing Jesus (note, the cock crowed on the first denial, according to Mark 14:66-72 not after the third as the alleged Jesus soothsayed in John 13:38). If the faithful should believe the Church's beginning came from someone who offended and denied Jesus, then perhaps it should also give them reason why the Catholic Church seemed to act so demoniacally in their instigation of holy wars, inquisitions and anti-Semitism throughout history. In any case, we should question Jesus' choice for the "rock."

BIBLE SAYS GOD IS ALSO THE AUTHOR OF EVIL LIKE SATAN

God Creates Evil and Peace: "I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things."

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Here it explicitly states that God creates evil as well as makes peace. Considering that since the invention of man-made religions there has always existed war, it appears that God likes war more than peace. (see also <u>Lam. 3:38</u>, <u>II Samuel 12:11</u> & I Kings 14:10 "I will bring evil upon...")

BIBLE SAYS JESUS IS UNTRUTHFUL:

The Final Lie: "Surely, I come quickly." (Revelation 22:20)

The last words of Jesus in the Bible! It has been two thousand years, and Jesus has not come back, hence he did not come quickly. Therefore, this represents either proof of the falsehood of the Bible or that Jesus lied. And who represents the Great Liar in Christian thought? *See "Jesus reveals himself."*

BIBLE SAYS THE LORD IS A MAN OF MAKING WAR:

God-- Man of War: "The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name." (Exodus 15:3)

Note that many fundamentalists who consider every word of the Bible as fact must also concede that God, not only consists of a man, but also a man of war; a killer man of men. With such a belief, how could a Christian people ever divorce war from their lives? The Midrash Rabbah gives an explanation of The Man God: "His lower half was 'man', but his upper half was as God. [Only the lower half of his body, the seat of the sexual and secretory organs, belonged to the earthly within him, but his head and heart, given over entirely to holiness, were as divine.]"

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BIBLE SAYS THAT GOD AND SATAN WORK TOGETHER IN TANDEM:

Is God and Satan the Same? "AND Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel." (<u>I Chronicles 21:1</u>)

"AND again the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he moved David against them to say, Go, number Israel and Judah." (<u>II Samuel 24:1</u>)

Here we have a contradiction, a grave Biblical error, God and Satan working together, or the unmistakable interpretation that God and Satan "are" one and the same! Given that fundamentalists believe the Bible contains no errors or contradictions, then that leaves only the last two possibilities. Note that the capitalized word "AND" appears at the beginning of each verse and the message appears at the beginning of each chapter. Note also that the name Lucifer (another name for Satan) means light bearer, or morning star: "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer to the ground..." (Isaiah 14:12)

BIBLE SAYS JESUS DID NOT COME TO BRING PEACE, BUT TO MAKE DIVISION AND DESTRUCTION:

I Came Not To Send Peace: "Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man's foes shall be they of his own household." (<u>Matthew 10:34-37</u>)

These words of Jesus confirm the unbelievable notion that Jesus did not come to establish peace, but rather to send the sword and to put man against his family. So much for family values. (*See also Luke 12:* 51-53, Luke 12:49 and Luke 14:26.)

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BIBLE SAYS THAT JESUS WILL DIVIDE FAMILIES AND WILL SET THE EARTH ON FIRE:

I Come To Send Fire: "I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled?" (Luke 12:49) "Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division: For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three. The father shall be divided against the son, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law." (Luke 12:51-53) (See also Luke 14:26)

BIBLE REVEALS THAT JESUS IS THE SATAN:

Jesus Reveals Himself: "I am the root and offspring of David, and the bright and morning star." (<u>Revelation 22:16</u>)

This verse presents the most shocking revelation in the entire Bible. On the very last page, it reveals Jesus as the "bright and morning star". In other words, Lucifer-- Satan!

In <u>Isaiah 14:12</u>, St. Jerome, translated the Hebrew "morning star" into the Latin term "Lucifer" (light bearer), a name commonly ascribed to Satan by Christians, and represents the fallen star, an ancient symbol for the fallen or evil one. The morning star actually appears as the planet Venus, the brightest "star" in the sky (but the ancients did not know about planets). Venus always appears low on the horizon, thus it looked like a fallen star (fallen angel) to the believers. Although the Isaiah verse describes the fallen king of Babylon, Christians have, for centuries, ascribed Satan as taking many forms. And what more powerful form could an evil being take than to pretend himself as the saviour of the world? This would certainly explain the hate filled verses attributed to Jesus and the blind followers who inherit

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ignorance. Thus, a conclusion, based on Christian beliefs of Satan, and the belief in the "inerrancy" of the Bible, one must conclude that Jesus has revealed himself as Satan! <u>What a Revelation!</u>

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"I almost shudder at the thought of alluding to the most fatal example of the abuses of grief which the history of humankind has preserved-- the Cross. Consider what calamities that engine of grief has produced!" --John Adams

BIBLE ORDERS BURNING OF ADULTERESSES:

Burn the Daughter! "And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire." (Leviticus 21:9)

A priest's daughter, if found to have lost her virginity without marriage, can receive the death penalty, but in the form of incineration. How many fundamentalist priests who so easily condemn others would carry out the burning of their daughters if they found them "whoring"? (*See also <u>Genesis 38:24</u>*)

BIBLE DISCRIMINATES AGAINST A BABY GIRL:

Female Births Get Penalty: "Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean." (Leviticus 12:2)

"But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying threescore and six days." (Leviticus 12:5)

A woman who gives birth to a child must undergo a purification ritual lest her "uncleanness" contaminate others. This not only entails

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her isolation, but also payments to priests for the ritual acts. Thus the male dominators had even made birth dirty. Notice here that if a woman bears a female child, her isolation must last twice as long as that if she gives birth to a male child! (*See also <u>Psalms 51:3-5</u>*)

"The Bible and the Church have been the greatest stumbling blocks in the way of woman's emancipation." --Elizabeth Cady Stanton

BIBLE TEACHES WOMAN ARE INFERIOR:

Female Inferiority: "But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God." (I Corinthians 11:3)

"For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man. Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man." (I Corinthians 11:8-9)

The Bible's decree of male supremacy has kept woman inferior to men for centuries. For the religious, it comes as a sad fact that a human must have a <u>penis</u> to receive any respect or power within the Church.

All women (especially Christian women) should realize that such phrases in the Bible has justified for many Christian men, not only their supremacy but a reason to sexually abuse women. (*See also <u>I Cor.</u>* 14:34-36, <u>I Timothy 2:8-15</u>, <u>I Peter 3:1-7</u>, <u>Ephesians 5:22-24</u>, <u>Col. 3:18-19</u>)

BIBLE SAYS THAT JESUS WILL KILL INNOCENT CHILDREN:

Jesus Will Kill Children: "Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds. And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the

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reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works." (<u>Revelation 2:22-23</u>)

If anyone thinks Jesus represents only a peaceful loving soul, then think again. For an act of adultery, Jesus would kill innocent children for the adultery of others; hardly fair justice, love, or the concern for human beings. Some apologists claim that "children" refers to the followers of a cult of Jezebel and not to children birthed from Jezebel. However, if this proved the case, the situation would appear even more horrific, for a cult of believers could number in the dozens, hundreds, thousands, or more. The deaths of this multitude of cult believers (which would include children within its membership) would only make the moralistic problem far more atrocious.

"It's interesting to speculate how it developed that in two of the most anti-feminist institutions, the church and the law court, the men are wearing the dresses." --*Flo Kennedy*

BIBLE TEACHES TO BELIEVE IN WITCHES:

Kill the Witches: "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live. Whoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death. He that sacrificeth unto any god, save to the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed." (Exodus 22:18-20)

These verses attest to the power of belief as they led to the slaughter of thousands of defenseless people throughout Europe and the rest of the world. Understand that these verses not only authorize the executions but they explicitly command them. <u>Verse 18</u> justified the burning of women in Europe judged as witches. In early America, the Salem witch trials resulted in the deaths of women and men. <u>Verse 19</u> refers to bestiality, a sin considered worthy of death. Christians used <u>verse 20</u> to justify religious wars, Crusades and the slaughter of unbelievers throughout Europe. And the condemnation of heretics

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BIBLE CONDONES RAPE:

Rape My Daughter: "Behold, here is my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not so vile a thing. But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they knew her, and abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her go." (Judges 19:24-25)

<u>Judges 19</u> describe a father who offers his virgin daughter to a drunken mob. When the father says "unto this man do not so vile a thing," he makes clear that sexual abuse should never befall a man (meaning him), yet a woman, even his own flesh and blood, or a concubine belonging to a perfect stranger, can receive punishment from men to do what they wish. This attitude against women still persists to this day and we have the Bible, in large part, to thank for this attitude against women. <u>Verse 25</u> describes the hours long gang rape of the poor concubine. The Bible gives not one hint of passion or concern for the raped girl. Considering that many people believe that every word in the Bible comes from God, it should not surprise anyone why people still use these verses to justify such atrocities.

BIBLE TEACHES THAT WOMEN ARE SLAVES OF MEN:

Silence The Woman! "Let the women learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was first formed, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression." (I Timothy 2:11-14) (See also I Cor. 11:3-12, I Cor. 14:34-36, I Peter 3:1-7, Ephesians 5:22-24, Col. 3:18-19.)

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Another case where the Bible makes it quite clear that women live for man and must submit to them.

BIBLE CONDONES THE STONING OF ADULTERESSES TO DEATH:

Stone The Woman! "If a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, and a man find her in the city, and lie with her;" (Deuteronomy 22:22) "Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, being in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so thou shalt put away evil from among you." (Deut 22:24) (Read also Deut 22: 13-21)

The discovery of a bride lying with another man can yield disastrous results. If the wife's parents can produce tokens of the damsel's virginity and spread the cloth before the elders of the city, the husband has to pay the bride's father one hundred silver shekels and he may not send his wife back to her parents as long as she lives. But if the bride's virginity does not satisfy the requirements, the husband can get rid of her by letting the men of the city stone her to death. From a practical level, these designed laws regulating women's virginity protected economic transactions between men rather than for the sake of morality.

BIBLE TEACHES THAT WOMEN ARE SUBSERVIENT TO MEN:

Wives, Submit Yourselves! "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything." (Ephesians 5:22-24)

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These words of Paul describe another instance for the calling of the submission of women to their husbands. Note that the all inclusive "everything" could allow husbands to submit their wives to anything, including rape, beatings, slavery, etc. (*See also <u>I Cor. 11:3-12</u>, <u>I Cor. 14:34-36</u>, <u>I Timothy 2:8-15</u>, <u>I Peter 3:1-7</u>, <u>Col. 3:18-19</u>.)*

BIBLE ORDERS WOMEN TO SHUT UP IN CHURCHES:

Women Shall Not Speak: "Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. And if they will learn anything, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church." (I Corinthians 14:34-35)

If one ever wishes to find an explanation of woman's inferiority to men, one only has to look in the Bible. Paul makes clear and delineates the importance of woman recognizing her place, "ad nauseam." (See also <u>I Cor. 11:3-12</u>, <u>I Timothy 2:8-15</u>, <u>I Peter 3:1-7</u>, <u>Ephesians 5:22-24</u>, <u>Col. 3:18-19</u>.)

"The bible teaches that women brought sin and death into the world, that she precipitated the fall of the race, that she was arraigned before the judgment seat of Heaven, tried, condemned and sentenced. Marriage for her was to be a condition of bondage, maternity a period suffering and anguish, and in silence and subjection, she was to play the role of a dependent on man's bounty for all her material wants, and for all the information she might desire... Here is the Bible position of woman briefly summed up." --Elizabeth Cady Stanton

BIBLE TEACHES THAT WOMEN MUST SUFFER:

Women's Sorrow: "Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply

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thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee." (Genesis 3:16)

Not only does the Woman get blamed for the Fall, but God decides to multiply her sorrow, plus, she must submit to her husband like a slave. Religionists have used this verse as justification and "reason" for the pain and punishment (sin) of childbirth and the sin of mankind. It could not have done as much damage as from belief in <u>Genesis 3:16</u>. Because of the belief in the fall, countless Christians have branded the entire human race as depraved. Before the advent of male dominated religions, cultures around the world respected women and worshipped goddesses. The Old Testament records the brutal slaughter of surrounding cultures and slowly throughout the centuries, the goddess religions faded away in place of the beliefsystem of a jealous, scatological, male war god.

"Christianity teaches that the human race is depraved, fallen, and sinful." D. James Kennedy

BIBLE CONDONES BABIES AND WOMEN TO BE RIPPED UP AND MURDERED:

Rip Up Pregnant Women: "Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up." (<u>Hosea 13:16</u>) (See also <u>Psalms 137:9</u>)

Throughout the Bible, God smites those who do not believe in him or those who do not follow his commands. Here we have the grotesque description of infants dashed to pieces and pregnant women ripped up. Whatever rebellious nature an infant's father or mother may have had, it bears no justice to an innocent child or to an unborn fetus who could not possibly have rebelled against God, much less understood him. Anyone who claims to love such a God, must accept infanticide

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BIBLE OKAYS TREACHERY AND MURDER:

Gideon Slaughters like a Demon: "And Gideon said, Therefore when the Lord hath delivered Zebah and Zalmunna into mine hand, then I will tear your flesh with the thorns of the wilderness and with briers" (Judges 8:7) "Now Zebah and Zalmunna were Karkor, and their hosts with them, about fifteen thousand men, all that were left of all the hosts of the children of the east: for there fell an hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword." (Judges 8:10)

The Gideon Society places Bibles into motels and hotels across America and many other countries. One would assume Gideon lived as a person of exemplary character and great worth to have a worldwide society named after him. Below describes some of Gideon's accomplishments:

- Gideon slaughtered thousands in battle by plotting with the "Lord" to use Treachery.
- Gideon murdered thousands more for worshipping "false Gods."
- Gideon tortured and killed still more for daring to taunt him.
- Gideon plundered the bodies of his victims (to fashion a jeweled priestly vestment).
- Gideon fathered an offspring who killed 69 of his stepbrothers.

Read the story of Gideon in Judges, chapters thru 6-9 (<u>6-7-8-9</u>). The tale of Gideon describes just one of the many horror stories in the

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Bible, a book that glorifies behavior abysmal to modern society. The clergy and leaders have hoodwinked millions of people about the stories in the Bible. Don't let others decide for yourself.

BIBLE SAYS WOMEN ARE WICKED AND LIKE DOGS, AND MUST BE DOMINATED BY MEN:

The Wicked Woman: "Give me any plague, but the plague of the heart: and any wickedness, but the wickedness of a woman." (Eccles. 25:13) "Of the woman came the beginning of sin, and through her we all die." (Eccles. 25:22) "If she go not as thou wouldest have her, cut her off from thy flesh, and give her a bill of divorce, and let her go." (Eccles. 25: 26) "The whoredom of a woman may be known in her haughty looks and eyelids. If thy daughter be shameless, keep her in straitly, lest she abuse herself through overmuch liberty." (Eccles. 26:9-10) "A silent and loving woman is a gift of the Lord: and there is nothing so much worth as a mind well instructed. A shamefaced and faithful woman is a double grace, and her continent mind cannot be valued." (Eccles. 26:14-15) "A shameless woman shall be counted as a dog; but she that is shamefaced will fear the Lord." (Eccles.26:25)

"For from garments cometh a moth, and from women wickedness. Better is the churlishness of a man than a courteous woman, a woman, I say, which bringeth shame and reproach." (Eccles.42:13-14)

Ecclesiasticus of the Apocrypha does not appear in most Bibles. However, in Catholic Bibles, the inferiority of woman still appears in the verses of Ecclesiasticus. These verses give only a sampling from this book that lowers the status of women.

The God of the Bible decrees that woman must submit to the dominance of man. Women's Inferior Status in the Bible: The Biblical

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view of women: - Roland de Vaux, Archaeologist and Priest.

"The social and legal position of an Israelite wife was inferior to the position a wife occupied in the great countries round about... all the texts show that Israelites wanted mainly sons to perpetuate the family line and fortune, and to preserve the ancestral inheritance... A husband could divorce his wife; women on the other hand could not ask for divorce... the wife called her husband Ba'al or master; she also called him adon or lord; she addressed him, in fact, as a slave addressed his master or subject, his king. The Decalogue includes a man's wife among his possessions... all her life she remains a minor. The wife does not inherit from her husband, nor daughters from their father, except when there is no male heir. A vow made by a girl or married woman needs, to be valid, the consent of the father or husband and if this consent is withheld, the vow is null and void. A man had a right to sell his daughter. Women were excluded from the succession."

<u>A discussion between Mr. S. Ibrahim and Mr. Neville</u> Truter at Mr. Ibrahim's home on the 28th March 2008

A snippet of the discussion: Mr. Neville Truter, of Cape Town, a learned scholar of the Bible and a close friend of Prof. Gerhard Nehls, stated in a discussion with Mr. Ibrahim that Adam had sinned because he disobeyed a direct order of God not to eat of the 'knowledge fruit tree'. (We have videoed this hour long discussion and the DVD is available at a cost of R15. Email request to sulaimane@yahoo.com or aymoosa4954@yahoo.com)

In reply, Mr. Ibrahim disagreed with Mr. Truter because according to the Bible Adam had no knowledge and therefore

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he was ignorant, so he was innocent of his mistake from a justice point of view. Only when Adam had eaten of this <u>'knowledge fruit tree'</u> did he become aware that he was naked, as before this he was ignorant of his condition. In fact, according to Mr. Ibrahim's understanding of the situation <u>as reported</u> <u>in the Bible</u>, <u>God was at fault</u> as He punished Adam whilst knowing he was ignorant and had no knowledge. Another confusing fact in this event is that how did Adam know <u>before</u> <u>eating the knowledge fruit</u> that Eve was made from his rib/ bone? The Bible clearly states that he was without knowledge prior to eating the <u>'knowledge fruit'!</u>

Mr. Truter had no reply to Mr. Ibrahim's answers.

How many Christians are aware that the following verses have been removed from their Bibles?

In the '*New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures*', Revised Version 1970- C.E Bible , (and the Revised Edition of 1984) published by the **Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society of Pennsylvania** there are a number of verses missing. They have just put a **dash (-)** next to the verse number without any text. *Question:* Could God have revealed His word in a manner that leaves <u>blank spaces</u> in His scriptures?

Reference	Chapter	Verse
Reference Mark	7	16
Mark	9	44
Mark Mark	11	26
Mark	15	28
Luke	23	17

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8	37
15	34
24	7
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17	21
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<u>Robert G. Ingersoll, a renowned Bible Scholar, says in his book,</u> <u>"Lectures and Essays":</u>

"If the Bible is inspired, then it should be a book that no man - no number of men - could produce. It should contain the perfection of philosophy. It should perfectly accord with every fact in nature. There should be no mistakes in astronomy, geology, or as to any subject or science. Its morality should be the highest, the purest. Its laws and regulations for the control of conduct should be just, wise, perfect, and perfectly adapted to the accomplishment of the ends desired. It should contain nothing calculated to make man cruel, revengeful, vindictive or infamous. It should be filled with intelligence, justice, purity, honesty, mercy, and the spirit of liberty. It should be opposed to strife and war, to slavery and lust, to ignorance, credulity, and superstition. It should develop the brain and civilise the heart. It should satisfy the heart and brain of the best and wisest. It should be true. Does the Bible satisfy this standard?"

We say that the above standard is an excellent yardstick to judge any book that claims to be divine. Definitely the Bible fails in every facet of the above criteria. We urge all Christians to apply this yardstick to the Glorious Qur'aan and see if the Glorious Qur'aan does not fulfill every aspect and more of Mr. Ingersoll's criteria to judge a divine book!!!

The compilers / authors of the Old Testament - information from the 1971 Collins revised standard version (pages -12-17)

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Book	Name of Author
Book 1 st & 2 nd Samuel 1 st King & 2 nd King 1 st Chronicles &	Unknown
1 st King & 2 nd King	Unknown
1 st Chronicles &	Unknown, <u>Probably or likely</u>
2 nd Chronicles	Collected And Edited By Ezra
Genesis	One Of 5 Books Of Moses
Exodus; Leviticus;	Collected And Edited By Ezra One Of 5 Books Of Moses Generally Credited To Moses
Numbers; & Deut	-
Joshua Ruth & Judges	Major Part Credited To Joshua Not Definitely Known, <u>Perhaps</u>
Ruth & Judges	Not Definitely Known, <u>Perhaps</u>
	Samuel
Ionah	Unknown
Erza	Probably Written Or Edited By Ezra Unknown Principally David, Though There
Esther & Job Psalms	Unknown
Psalms	Principally David, Though There
	Are Other Writers
Ecclesiastes	Are Other Writers Doubtful, But Commonly Assigned
Isaiah	To Solomon Mainly Credited To Isaiah. Parts
15a1a11	Walling Cleuneu 10 Isalall. Faits
	May Have Been Written By Others
Habakkuh	May Have Been Written By Others Nothing Known Of The Place Or
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Jesus served as Hitler's role model. Here Hitler referred to the verse in one of his speeches:

"My feelings as a Christian point me to my Lord and Savior as a fighter. It points me to the man who once in loneliness, surrounded only by a few followers, recognized these Jews for what they were and summoned men to fight against them and who, God's truth was greatest not as a sufferer but as a fighter. In boundless love as a Christian and as a man I read through the passage which tells us how the Lord at last rose in His might and seized the scourge to drive out of the Temple the brood of vipers and adders. How terrific was His fight for the world against the Jewish poison. Today, after two thousand years, with deepest emotion I recognize more profoundly than ever before in the fact that it was for this that He had to shed His blood upon the Cross.

As a Christian I have no duty to allow myself to be cheated, but I

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have the duty to be a fighter for truth and justice.... And if there is anything which could demonstrate that we are acting rightly it is the distress that daily grows. For as a Christian I have also a duty to my own people.... When I go out in the morning and see these men standing in their queues and look into their pinched faces, then I believe I would be no Christian, but a very devil if I felt no pity for them, if I did not, as did our Lord two thousand years ago, turn against those by whom to-day this poor people is plundered and exploited". <u>-Adolf Hitler, in his speech on 12 April 1922</u>

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