

Addendum to *Second Stringer*

Response to the ludicrous charges of Mr. Stringer almost seems unnecessary for anyone who has read my books. But for those who have not, the following is given to point out Stringer's total lack of any real evidence for his outlandish charges.

Stringer's book takes my use of the word "new" or "hidden" and ignores the fact that those words refer to the fact that my books attempt to unearth "time-buried" antiquarian primary sources and also present new word-for-word collations of old Bibles (Gothic, Anglo-Saxon, Bishops', etc.). I suspect that (other than Ward Allen), I am the only one who has collated, codified, and documented the word-for-word differences between the KJB and its immediate predecessor, the Bishops Bible. He says "hidden" means "occult" (p. 44). The contents of your desk drawers are hidden. Certainly they are not occult (p. 41).

To make his charge, he does not quote my findings, but brings in the writings of other authors who warn, in general, of things which were "never before known" or which are "contradictory to orthodox Christianity" (p. 9). If I was the first to compare the ancient Gothic scriptures with the errors in the modern Bibles, so be it. However, he shows nothing "contradictory to orthodox Christianity" in my books. Yet he claims, "These two principles above can be found throughout Mrs. Riplinger's books..." (p. 9). How can something be "throughout" when he cannot even record one example of either. His book is full of quotations from others, which he is unable to demonstrate have anything to do with my books. In fact, since Stringer gives no examples to support his charges, the author of his Prologue must sheepishly mention that Stringer was "Under the constraints of time and energy" (p. 14). Try telling that to your college professor when you turn in a paper without *any* documentation.

Examples:

1. Stringer charges "threats" to Independent Baptist preachers," yet documents none, as there have been none (p. 15). I have been an independent Bible believing Baptist since my salvation in 1976 (contrary to his lie about that).
2. He says I provide no evidence of Edison's involvement in the occult. But I provide a picture of his membership card in the Madame Blavatsky's Luciferian club in *In Awe of Thy Word*. Why would he defend a 'card-carrying' Luciferian, and charge that "no one should accuse him of making a deal with the devil without clear evidence," when he charges me with that, yet gives no "clear evidence" (p. 23). " Which side is he on?

The Wicked Kabbalah

My book, *In Awe of Thy Word*, is a 1200 page history of the English Bible, as well as a study of its language. Only a small appendix at the very end discusses the new field computational linguistics. So, how can he conclude that the book is "a combination of computational linguistics with the occult dark arts of the Kabbalah. The only mention of the Kabbala in *In Awe of Thy Word* is a negative one in which I warned,

"The internet can be a real "web." Be careful to limit your study to that of verifiable science: **avoid** mystical New Age information that counterfeits the truth of God (e.g. **kabbalah**). They "changed the truth of God into a lie" and even worship God's creation (Rom. 1:25); esoterics have their own nonsense meanings ascribed to letters; these should be **avoided**. But just because New Age vegans worship 'mother earth' is no reason to quit eating vegetables. Likewise, just because **esoterics see in letters 'gods' that are not there**, this should not deter true scriptural and **scholarly investigation** into the word of God" (In *Awe*, p. 1116).

How can he conclude, after reading my warning against hidden meanings, that "Dr. Riplinger teaches that the letters of the English alphabet have hidden meaning (meanings beyond their phonetic meaning)..." (p. 48)?

In fact my book *Hazardous Materials* has two entire chapters (ch. 28 and 29) exposing and warning of the wickedness of the Kabbalah. It warns that Reuchlin and Ginsburg (editor of the Hebrew edition recommended by Stringer and sold by the DBS and TBS) were involved with it. In fact, when Stringer tries to explain what is wrong with the Kabbalah, he steals my arguments and quotes exposing it (see his page 37 and *Hazardous Materials*, pp. 1038, 1040 et. al !!).

He says, "She bases much of her theology on occult textbooks" and has "no trouble accepting major occult figures" (pp. 29, 43). If *In Awe of Thy Word* is what he claims, why are numerous Independent Baptist Colleges using it as a textbook, as well as the new Independent Baptist college, being founded by Russell Anderson, Bob Gray and Dave Baker in 2015? I have written two entire books, *New Age Bible Versions* and *Hazardous Materials*, totaling almost 2,000 pages, warning Christians of the "occult" inroads in the church. The only people Stringer can fool are those who are not familiar with my books.

Scientific letter meanings

Stringer must even admit the letter meanings assigned by Kabbalists are "completely different meanings for the letters of the KJB" than the phonetic meaning found by linguists (p. 76).

The small appendix in *In Awe of Thy Word* relayed only the meanings computational linguists have found when researching the huge corpus of the English language (that is, between 500,000 and one million individual words) using modern computers. They discovered that letters had meanings which joined together to form the meaning a word. For example, crush, slush, mush, brush, gush, shatter, shave, shear, shake, and shambles all share the letters "sh" which add to the word's meaning the breaking down of something into tiny particles, just as the pronunciation of the word 'sh' breaks up the saliva in the mouth when it is pronounced. This is science, my friend, not "black arts." Please avail yourself of the University level, peer reviewed articles on computational linguistics, cited in the bibliography at the end of *Second Stringer*.

Over the Top

Dear Christian pastors know what it is like to be lied about and how heartbreaking it is when it comes from former friends. Pastors have also suffered when their wives are lied about. Such naturally brings a heightened sense of defense, hurt, and anger. Imagine if someone went so far as to write a book alleging that your good wife was a "practitioner of the occult." Stringer charges, "I strongly suspect that Gail Riplinger is consciously engaging in occult practices." He echoes, "I think GAR is a conscious practitioner of the black arts." She only has friends, he quips, because of her ability to "bewitch" them (pp. 22, 75, 61, et. al). When no evidence was forthcoming for the charges, your ire could be recorded on any blood pressure machine. If said accuser was within earshot, any normal husband would at least try to talk with him. As a widow, my only hope for a 'daysman' are the local pastors to whom this attempt to "reason together" is sent.

He promises "extensive evidence," but the sum total of his proof of these accusations is that the cover of *In Awe of Thy Word* is a picture of a Florida sunset. And I included a red ribbon marker, because the book was 1,200 pages long. As I explained in the beginning of the book, the sun's golden reflection on the water reminded me of when Joshua carried the golden ark of the covenant through the waters, thereby preserving the word of God contained inside. Did Stringer somehow miss the photo of the sun and sky on his own book, *Messianic Claims*??!! The book's red ribbon marker was explained as typifying the blood of Christ, just as it did when Rahab put down the red thread on which the spies escaped. Yet he asks, "When is the last time you saw a theology book with such a marker?" (p. 51, et. al). Check your Bible, son. Today, the Trinitarian Bible Society still prints many Bibles with red ribbon markers.

Having been asked to teach a course in the Migration of Symbols at Kent State University, I can assure Mr. Stringer that the international symbol for bio-hazards, which I naturally used discretely on the book entitled *Hazardous Materials*, is nothing like the occult mobius/triquetra, which is continuous in its formation of the number 666. Yet Stringer confuses the two. His lack of familiarity with symbols and decorative motifs leads him to even misspell 'triquetra' as 'triqueta.' He also misidentifies a *Fleur de Leis*. How can he say my book is "full of occult symbols" when both of his meager examples are misidentified (p. 65). (For examples of the images see Google images or *The Lunatic Ravings of Phil Stringer* by Brian Denlinger on YouTube at husky394xp, with over 6,200 views).

He says, "If you understand the occult nature of GAR's theology, you understand her hatred of the Received Text" (p. 73). Considering the fact that one million copies of my materials *supporting* the Received Text are circulating, he will be hard-pressed to prove his silly charge. We founded Pure Bible Press and the Holy Bible Society (Foundation) to collate and print Received Text Bibles in all languages. We have been successful in printing thousands upon thousands of copies of them in many languages. How many Received Text Bibles has Stringer's William Cary Bible Society printed? We have been instrumental in collating, digitizing, and bring back into print many of Cary's translations in India, including his Hindi and Oriya, while his Bengali and Marathi are currently being keyed in and checked by our nationals there. Thank you.

It only gets sillier

He says, "I made the point that GAR was making herself part of the gospel" (p. 63). Of course he gives no examples, because there are none.

The Real Issue: Are the words of your Holy Bible God's words, or men's words?

What his book calls my "unorthodox, heretical ideology regarding the inspiration of translations, especially the KJB" has been defended to the tune of 330 pages in the new book, *The Word: God Will Keep It*. This book is a collection of thousands of quotations demonstrating that believers have always believed that the King James Bible is inspired. It is only of late, and particularly in Bible schools, where this beloved doctrine is being questioned (p. 11). Try standing in the pulpit this Sunday and announcing that it is not inspired...

Tedium

- Stringer's book calls it heresy because I do not capitalize the word "thy" on the cover of my book title, *In Awe of Thy Word*. Authors often must shrink prepositions and adjectives in book titles for graphic effect. The Bible itself does not capitalize it either. The remainder of the title is in ALL CAPS. Me thinks Mr. Stringer is straining at gnats (p. 8).
- He says, "She is constantly having to claim support from people who don't really endorse her" (p. 76). Yet he names none. Examples, please.

Finally, Stringer slanders the "beloved physician" Dr. James Sightler, son of the well-known preacher Harold Sightler. When Dr. Sightler and I agree that Christians only need their Bible, not outside commentaries or lexicons, Stringer says the exact opposite and pretends we believe "the KJB is never enough" (pp. 42, 43).

Once again, he provides no quotes, as is characteristic of his book, page, after page, after page.

We as Independent Baptists have enough difficulty outrunning the media's slanders and the besmirched notoriety of fallen brethren. We scarcely need to misrepresent and "bite and devour" one another, while serving as a mouthpiece for the "accuser of the brethren."