

John Bradshaw was speaking on the It Is Written YouTube channel on 2/22/23. The title was “Every Word in ASL – One of the Strangest Questions Ever!” Surprisingly the post, as of 2/27/23, hadn’t been deleted. According to John, about the strangest question that could be asked is “can you believe the Bible.”

Here is my first post.



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Can you believe the Bible?

"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 New King James Version (NKJV).

"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 from the NKJV.

Hmmmm. In Exodus 6:2-3, "God," also known as the "LORD," told Moses that no one prior to that had ever known Him by the name "LORD." In Genesis 26:26-28 in your favorite fake "the Bible" it clearly says that Isaac, Ahuzzath, Abimelech and Phichol had all known the LORD by the name "LORD." Clearly, your favorite fake "the Bible" can't always be believed.

On 2/27/23 there was a response to this post from It Is Written to which I responded. To me it's incredible how an obvious contradiction in a “Bible” is dismissed as “great depth and meaning of Scripture” and “an intellectual level far above any book that was simply penned by man.” I felt that whoever answered the post (maybe John himself) deserved another opportunity to sing the praises of the favorite fake bible of It Is Written.

If you're read through a few of the reviews on this site, you know that I believe there is a Bible that is infallible which means without error. The bible verses I posted were all from the New King James Version which seems to be the preferred version of It Is Written. The verses I posted from the NKJV contained irrefutable error. There is no error in those same verses in the King James Version.



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Hi Martin,

You make an excellent point! Thank you for that observation. And beyond that, in Gen. 15:7, God revealed Himself to Abraham as "the LORD". Later, He revealed Himself to Jacob as "the LORD God" in Gen. [28:13](#). And Moses even indicates that God's name was known from the beginning of history (see Gen 2:4; 4:1, 26). So how then can this apparent contradiction in Exodus 6:2-3 be explained???

One of the great beauties of the Bible is that a surface reading will frequently fail to reveal the great depth and meaning of Scripture. It is a mine whose depths continue to bring up new and valuable riches. Some who only scratch the surface will likely miss the significance of the differences in the genealogies of Jesus (See Matthew 1:1-16 and Luke 3:23-38), or the differences in the reported inscriptions on Jesus' cross (see Matt. [27:37](#); Mark 15:26; Luke 23:38; and John 19:19). When one understands why these differences exist, it brings new beauty and depth to the story of the gospel and an appreciation of the Bible as a book on an intellectual level far above any book that was simply penned by man.

Now, back to Exodus 6. The Hebrews always thought of a name as indicating either the personal characteristics of the one named, or the thoughts and emotions of the one giving the name, or attendant circumstances at the time the name was given. In Exodus 6, God was about to reveal Himself more fully than in the past, delivering His people with a "strong hand" (Ex. 6:1), actually taking them to Himself for a people (v. 7), establishing His covenant with them, and giving them the land of Canaan (v. 4). This being true, it seems that in v. 3 God must refer to the new meaning that the experience of deliverance would bring to the name rather than to the name itself (see vs. 1-7).

Thank you so much for your question. You may enjoy a program we recently produced called "Love and Destruction." In 1 Samuel, Saul received shocking instructions from God to "utterly destroy" the Amalekites ... men, women, children, animals ... ALL of them! So, how do we reconcile the God who smites with the God whom the Bible says "is love"? We dive deep into that topic here: <https://itiswritten.tv/it-is-written/love-and-destruction>.



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[@itiswritten](#) Thank you very much for your explanation of the contradiction in your favorite "the Bible." Maybe you could also explain this passage?

" '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 were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you. "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 28:14-15, 18 from the NKJV.

I believe most Seventh-day Adventists would agree that the "anointed cherub" is Lucifer who became Satan. The whole passage from Ezekiel 28:12-19 is about Satan. In that passage is described what happened to Satan (all in past tense). According to your favorite "the Bible" Lucifer has been "turned" (past tense) to ashes and has been "devoured" so must be dead. Your explanation of the apparent contradiction of the Seventh-day Adventist belief in which Satan is currently alive and active would be greatly appreciated.

It's now a bit over 5 hours since my last post and it doesn't appear on the It Is Written YouTube thread and may never appear there. I suspect that the last problem with their favorite fake bible was too hot to handle. I'll check later to see if someone has the courage to admit they're wrong.

I checked this thread again on 3/4/23. Nothing I posted nor the reply to what I posted is there now.

Here is a real shocker. On 3/23/23 this entire thread was back with a reply from It Is Written.



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The actual identity of the Prince of Tyre in Ezekiel 28 is widely regarded in Christian circles as being Satan (as you correctly stated). Some examples:

“Here we have the most graphic and illuminating portrayal of Satan to be found in the whole Bible. His original power and greatness, wisdom and beauty, and exalted position are all set forth.” (Morgan)

“These words to the king of Tyre show that this was no human king. The reference to Eden draws us back to the work of Satan in the form of a serpent described in Genesis 3. The power behind the prince of Tyre – the true king of Tyre – was Satan himself, the great adversary of God and humanity.” (Enduring Word Commentary)

“Not simply one cherub among many; he was the cherub par excellence.” (Block)

“In the Book of Ezekiel there is a description of someone called the king of Tyre. Though there was an actual historical person who was the king of Tyre, the description the Bible gives of this person seems to go far beyond this human leader. Though in context, Ezekiel was first speaking about the historical king of Tyre, he seemingly moved into the dateless past with a description of the original fall of Satan.” (Don Stewart – Blue Letter Bible)

A parallel can be found in Isaiah 14:12-14 where Isaiah was permitted to see beyond the literal king of Babylon (v. 4) to Satan, whose character and policies the king of Babylon carried out (vs. 12-16).

To understand how these Christian leaders arrived at that conclusion, it may be helpful to look at Ezekiel 28 in several other versions of the Bible.

“Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee... Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.” – King James Version

“Therefore, I will bring fire from your midst. When it has consumed you, I will turn you into dust on the earth in the sight of all who see you.” Common English Bible

“therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, which shall devour thee: and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth, in the sight of all them that behold thee.” Geneva Bible

You will notice that, while many versions of the Bible use the past tense to describe these events, others clearly put the events of verses 15, 16, and 18 in the future. This passage of the Bible begins in verse 11 with Ezekiel writing, “Moreover the word of the Lord came to me, saying, ‘Son of man, take up a lamentation for the king of Tyre, and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord God: ...’” The passage ends with verses 18-19 which read, “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. All who knew you among the peoples are astonished at you; You have become a horror, And shall be no more forever.” If Ezekiel is being told to address the king of Tyre/Satan (verses 11 & 12) and deliver this message to him, it would make very little sense for him (Ezekiel) to be asked to do so if the king of Tyre/Satan had already had fire brought from his midst, been devoured, and been turned to ashes. The intended recipient of Ezekiel’s message would not have been in a condition conducive to receiving such a message. There would be very little benefit for God to tell Ezekiel to deliver this message to a being that was already deceased.

Thank you so much for your question! You may enjoy a message about the origin of evil called ‘Prequel of the Bible: Part 2 – War in Heaven’ <https://itiswritten.tv/it-is-written/prequel-of-the-bible:-war-in-heaven>



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[@itiswritten](#) You are right. As you say, "If Ezekiel is being told to address the king of Tyre/Satan (verses 11 & 12) and deliver this message to him, it would make very little sense for him (Ezekiel) to be asked to do so if the king of Tyre/Satan had already had fire brought from his midst, been devoured, and turned to ashes." For precisely that reason, when the NKJV has what happened to Satan in past tense it is wrong.

You mention the Common English Bible (CEB) that has what happens to Satan in future tense which is as it should be. What I have learned from comparing multiple bible versions is that they may have different errors. Just because the CEB has something right, doesn't mean it's the infallible Word of God. Here is a quotation from the CEB that should interest you.

"When the number of people started to increase throughout the fertile land, daughters were born to them. The divine beings saw how beautiful these human women were, so they married the ones they chose. In those days, giants lived on the earth and also afterward, when divine beings and human daughters had sexual relations and gave birth to children. These were the ancient heroes, famous men." Genesis 6:1-2, 4 from the CEB.

What is called the "Blue Letter Bible" is an online program permitting one to search what various "the Bible" say. Most of what are called "the Bible" in that program contain serious error. It pretty much supports what many believe; i.e., there is no Bible in the world at this time that doesn't have error.

In this video it was claimed the question about can you believe the Bible was a strange one. If you wish to believe the NKJV or the CEB from cover to cover that is your choice but neither of them are infallible meaning without any error and neither should be called "the Bible" because they contradict themselves, contradict the Spirit of Prophecy and contradict Seventh-day Adventist doctrine.

I'm sure you know what "infallible" means when the pope is said to be infallible when speaking ex cathedra and Ellen White also knew what it meant.

"The Bible and the Bible alone, is to be our creed, the sole bond of union; all who bow to this Holy Word will be in harmony. Our own views and ideas must not control our efforts. Man is fallible, but God's Word is infallible." Selected Messages book one page 416.

Of the many so called "the Bible" in common use today, the vast majority fail the test of infallibility. Pick a Bible you can defend. The NKJV, CEB, English Standard Version, the New American Standard Version, the Revised Standard Version, the New International Version and many more fail the test of infallibility.

I checked this thread again on 3/24/23. What was posted by It Is Written is there but my response isn't. My response may yet appear or, maybe not.

As of 4/7/23 there was still no response from It Is Written to my last post and the last thing I posted still isn't there and I doubt it ever will be. Here is a question. If the princes of It Is Written are so clueless that they can't see a fake bible when it's staring them in the face, should they be taken seriously?

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InfallibleBible.com

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