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This past year, 2011, marked the 400th anniversary of the King James Version of the Bible. It's the Bible that most people own and are most familiar with. It's the Bible that ushered in the Bible to English speaking people. When translated, it was done so with the idea of being read publicly to people who could not read.

The language has been redone in the translation over the years to more match our English as none of us would probably be able to understand the English used in 1611.

The teams that worked on translating from Hebrew and Greek helped bring the Word of God to more people than ever before and therefore salvation to many.

They did a work that lasted not only a lifetime, but, eternally. We may not personally do something to the scale of translating the Bible to a language which has no copy of the Bible, but we can do things just as eternal. We can buy someone a Bible. With today's technology, we can give someone audio copies of the Bible on CD or as computer files that can be listened to even on most modern cell phones.

We can personally help others have access to the Bible and

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point the way of salvation to them. It might not seem as “big” as what the translators of the King James Version of the Bible did, but, it really is in that one soul we help save is worth the entire world.

—Marty Edwards ❖

“Holy Bible”

On the front of your Bible or on the binding, you most likely will find the words, “Holy Bible.” The term “holy” is found in 544 verses of the King James Version and in 563 verses of the American Standard Version (1901). On the other end of the spectrum, the word “bible” is not used once in the Bible. What is the meaning of this term, “Holy Bible?”



The word “holy” stirs images of righteousness, and being close to God. The Greek word translated “holy” is (hagios). The word means, “set apart to God or by God.” It is applied to something that is set apart for a special purpose. (Note— Often, the Greek term is translated “saints” in the New Testament.)

The word “bible” is an anglicized Greek word in that the English word is similar in form and sound to the Greek word. The Greek word (biblos) simply means “book.”

Therefore, the term “Holy Bible” simply means a book that is set apart by God. It is a book with a special purpose. What better term to describe the book that contains the very words and directives of the Lord himself. It is the book of all books. It is the Holy Bible.

—Marty Edwards ❖

News

—Continue to remember **Jean Coffey, Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jimmy Terry, Audrey Terry, and Alroy McDaniel.**

—Many are traveling this holiday season. Let's keep them in thought and prayer. **Ruby** is in Arkansas visiting her parents.

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The Middle of the Bible

Did you know that . . .

- Psalm 118 is the middle of the entire Bible?
- Psalm 117, before Psalm 118, is the shortest chapter in the Bible?
- Psalm 119, right after Psalm 118, is the longest chapter in the Bible?
- The Bible has 594 chapters before Psalm 118 and 594 chapters after Psalm 118?
- If you add up all the chapters except Psalm 118, you get a total of 1188 chapters?
- "1188" or "Psalm 118:8" is the middle verse of the entire Bible?



Consider the message of this central verse of the Bible, Psalm 118:8, "*It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man.*" Let's make this thought central to our lives.

—selected and adapted ❖

Sunday, December 18, 2011		
Classes	18	Luke 15:11-16:9
Preaching	27	II Peter 1:1-12
Contribution	\$482.00	
Evening	22	Habakkuk 1:1-3:19
Wednesday, December 21, 2011		
Classes	10	Deuteronomy 11:1-32

Visitors— Dec 18 (AM) Andy, Marsha, Hannah, & Clay Wagoner (Bowling Green, KY)

Bible Quiz

What would the LORD send for the cattle of the Israelites?

Last Week's Answer— the ark of the covenant of the LORD (Deuteronomy 10:8)



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—God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)