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China Churches Protest Government Crackdown

"Religious freedom in China has really reached to the worst level that has not been seen since the beginning of the Cultural Revolution by Chairman Mao [Zedong] in the 1960s," says Bob Fu, a former house church pastor in China. Fu came to the U.S. to found China Aid to warn of the growing persecution in China.

The picture that is shaping up is a highly controlled society with a personality cult. The control follows the



The Golden Lampstand Church in Shanxi Province was destroyed in January, 2018, by Chinese paramilitary police officers. (Photo: China Aid)

pattern of other Marxist/Socialist/Communist countries, present and past.

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Benefits of Trusting the KJV

By David W. Daniels

One of the benefits of trusting the King James Bible: it changes your attitude. When the Bible story is challenged, instead of succumbing to whatever newest attack is waged against it, the Bible believer then delves more deeply into the exact words of the scripture, believing that the answer is found in the text when understood clearly -not in abandoning the text for someone's new theory.

It changes your confidence. God said in Psalm 118:8-9: "It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man. It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes." Our confidence is in the Lord and in His

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President Xi Jinping is the personality behind the cult. In the last 10 years, he has systemically restructured the government to put himself in permanent charge.

Control is escalating by using modern technology. Cameras are installed in churches to record who attends. It is now a crime not to watch state television.

As in Russia, the excuse for the crackdown is to "eliminate extremism." Detention camps have recently been constructed holding up to a million Uyghur Muslims in the western province of Xinjiang. Since the Christians, especially members of the unregistered "house" churches, are also considered "extremists" by the communist government, they are included in the government "elimination" efforts.

Churches are now being forced to hang pictures of Xi beside crucifixes and sing communist anthems during service. In some places, children under 18 are forbidden to attend church and Bible camps are being closed. Bibles and other "illegal promotional materials" are being confiscated and burned.

Authorities in some provinces are taking a harder line than others but the government has passed regulations directing the nation-wide shift toward less freedom. The emphasis is on forcing everyone to submit to the Communist Party and "Chinese" culture. And all rivals must be eliminated, including Christians. "Party members who have religious belief should have [be given] strengthened thought education," according to new government regulations released in February.

Some brave pastors have tried to resist. The persecution has become worse since new government regulations were published. At least 250 Chinese pastors have signed a public statement against

the regulations. It closed with: "For the sake of the gospel, we are prepared to bear all losses, —even the loss of our freedom and our lives."

This stand could be costly. Witness the invasion of one church in Henan province: 50 officials stormed the service, beat the worshippers and confiscated most of the church property. One grabbed the microphone from the pastor, read a document declaring the church "illegitimate" and demanded the pastor sign it. He refused and was taken away.

Some of the women attempted to video the attack and were beaten and kicked and their cell phones confiscated before they were taken into custody. Anyone who attempted to protect them was also beaten.

"For the first time, people throughout China are saying 'NO!' to what the Communist party wants—control. Control over what they can do, what they can believe, where they can go, what they can say. It's yet another sign something is beginning to take shape here in China, the call for democracy! The call for freedom!" says Christopher Gregory of China Missions.

Decades ago the people of China chose Communism's hollow dream instead of the Bible. Now, millions there have discovered the truth and are willing to die for it —and some may have to.

The same war is being fought in almost every other country in the world. Satan's time is short and he is outraged. America is an oasis in this battlefield, but for how long? Handing out a gospel tract can get you killed in some parts of the world.

Many have shed their blood to buy and protect our freedom. Are we grateful enough to exercise that freedom and just hand someone a tract?



This time of year, folks are open to hear about Jesus. After all, people say it's His birthday, right?

Regardless of how you feel about Christmas (some Christians don't celebrate it) it's just too good a witnessing opportunity to miss! Put

on a big smile and hand a Chick tract like *Greatest Story Ever Told* or *Humbug* or *The Present* to a store clerk. Tell them "enjoy your family this holiday" and watch them say "Thank you!"



They'll read it, because

Chick Tracts Get Read!

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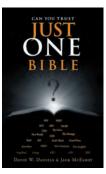
words. That means we can stand up to any man, woman or child, or even the Devil himself, when he whispers lies against those words.

Why do a lot of people not witness to others? They don't have *confidence* in what they are saying. Look around: people who are confident in their favorite team spout it all around to all who will hear. But that confidence is lacking when it comes to what are God's words, and whether we can trust them. So, rather than call others to an uncertain faith, they just keep silent while their friends, neighbors, even enemies, tumble on toward a Christless eternity.

"But aren't you worshipping the Bible by believing its words?" It depends upon what you mean by that.

I believe the constitution and the penal code, and I don't worship *them*. But the Bible claims to be **God's exact words!** We will be judged by God in heaven if we add to them or take away from them. How can we believe in the penal code more than the holy words of the living God?

And "worshipping" has an old meaning, of "ascribing worth to" something or



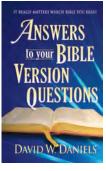
someone. In that sense, the Bible is worth more than all the other books on earth combined! It alone contains all we need to know to get to heaven, have our sins forgiven, learn about who God

is, and about how He wants us to behave to have the best life we can in preparation for eternity with Him. If that's the sense that someone means, then I'm guilty. I recognize the eternal worth of this holy Book.

Man is designed to trust something or someone. Idol worshipers have been persuaded to trust an unreliable source. It may be a pagan statue, a Virgin Mary goddess, a wheat wafer, or the pope. Or it may be a political party or money. Satan has unlimited options for anyone who

gives up trusting in a real Creator and His promise to preserve His Handbook for mankind.

One of the subtle deceptions today is trusting the "scholars." Question a pastor on the logic of



Bible versions and he will usually say, "But I trust the scholars." Even when you show that Acts 8:37 is missing from his preferred version, "trusting the scholars" is supposed to explain the discrepancy.

But it doesn't. A scholar is only as trustworthy as his sources of information and his personal agenda. When we examine the sources and the agendas, only one Bible comes up reliable.

Modern research methods have proven that the source manuscripts behind the modern bibles are corrupted and faked. They have also proven that the agenda of their scholars is highly questionable.

Whereas the thousands of manuscripts supporting the KJV are coherent over the centuries, and the motives of the translators are unquestionable.

[NOTE: You can read more about this in the books David has written, as well as see details for yourself in hundreds of his videos on YouTube.]

Bibles are being changed (who doesn't know that?)



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When We Take a Stand, Satan Loses

Hopeful signs are showing up that more people are beginning to stand against Satan's push to destroy America.

When the administration of Azusa Pacific University declared that the school would begin to accept same sex relationships on campus, the board of trustees blew the whistle.

The new code of conduct dropped longstanding language that declared "homosexual acts" as "expressly forbidden" by Scripture and declared "heterosexuality is God's design for sexually intimate relationships." The trustees voted to reinstate the original code and were immediately attacked by LGBTQ+ activists for their courage.

It is great to see schools that were founded by Bible believers standing strong against the unrighteous agenda. A couple of years ago Wheaton College near Chicago was embroiled in a struggle over their stand for biblical marriage.

Other secular colleges and universities are requiring a different approach. Here, the struggle is between First Amendment freedom of speech and new "discrimination" laws protecting homosexual "civil rights."

Several universities have tried to claim discrimination when a Christian campus club refused to allow homosexual leadership. The administration would cut off the club's share in student activity funding and even deny a place on campus for them to meet.

Anyone on campus attempting to speak or distribute literature with the biblical view would be promptly shut down or relegated to an obscure part of the campus or given a limited time frame. Organizations of Christian attorneys, such as Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF), are taking up these attacks and forcing, sometimes by going to court, the school officials to back down. Other organizations are marshalling the citizens

to attend legislative hearings on proposed laws threatening freedom of religion and speech.

In California, several victories occurred this session. One bill, AB 2943, planned to forbid any paid counselor from helping anyone with an unwanted same-sex attraction. The law was written so that even pastors could possibly have been restricted and any literature, such as the Bible, suggesting the possibility of recovery, was forbidden.

Churches and watchdog groups put up sufficient objection to the law that it was dropped in committee. Two other bills were vetoed by Governor Jerry Brown that would have had universities distributing abortion pills on campus and mandated LGBTIQ training for teachers.

Another case won in the U.S. Supreme Court had wide implications. A new California law forced pro-life pregnancy centers to advertise abortion as an alternative. When it was struck down, attorneys pointed out that if the government could force someone to speak against their will, no one would truly have freedom of speech.

A similar case won before the U.S. Supreme Court involved a Colorado baker, Jack Phillips, who refused to design a cake for a same-sex wedding. The court found that he had been erroneously convicted by a hostile government commission. But to show how persistent the government can be when taken over by unrighteous people, Phillips was immediately baited by a transgender customer and charged again for nearly the same thing. He is now fighting back by suing the government agency for harassment.

These examples show that evil can be driven back if someone cares enough to try. When a cross-dresser shows up at your school or library to read propaganda



Tracts Also Grow Disciples

Chick Publications receives many letters showing that the tracts also provide on-going discipleship training. Here are a few samples:

SIX-YEAR-OLD READY FOR BAPTISM

Most nights when I put my son to bed, he will ask me to read him a cartoon tract. He mostly enjoys the kids' tracts. Sometime last week he asked the pastor to be baptized because he has accepted Jesus as his Savior. My son is 6 years old and I am positive that by reading the tracts, they had a profound impact on him. Well, we both got baptized on the same day and I am grateful for the Lord touching the hearts of my family.

CLARIFIED THE TRUTH

I would like to share my gratitude for all Jack Chick has done. I am a 48-year-old veteran, husband and father. When I discovered Chick tracts and comics I was at a very low point in my life. I was only 13 but it seemed my life was over, and I was in deep despair. I walked into a Christian book store to pass some time and discovered Chick comics. I was raised in a Christian home but never understood what Christianity was until I read the Alberto series. I was saved that day. Not because of my family, or a preacher or someone being a "good Christian example."

I was saved because I was given the truth and I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior. I have been through many struggles since that day, but I have never forsaken the truth.

INSPIRED FAITH

I have read your tracts since I was a child and can truly say that they inspired me and helped strengthen my faith while I grew in Christ. Your method of weaving scripture into a pictorial story always kept my interest and made me want to read more.

SET LIFE DIRECTION

One day, many years ago, in high school, a girl in my geometry class handed me a copy of *This Was Your Life*. Although I was already saved, by only a few weeks, my life would be different from this point on. The Lord used *This Was Your Life* to ask me a question, "What are you doing with your life?". Over a period of months and years I was led to believe the Lord wanted me to go to Bible school to become a better Christian and learn about the Bible.

CHANGED LIVES

We just wanted to let you know what a difference your tracts have made in our Christian walk. We have put many of them in our church for our young people as well as our old. The children not only love them themselves but have taken them on the school bus to hand out to their friends. The children at school keep asking for more. We also have been sending assortment packs to new believers to help them in their walk with Christ. We have seen a lot of changes in their lives due to reading them. We thank God most of all for working on their hearts through your tracts.

Chick tracts and comics have pointed thousands to Christ over the years, but many have testified how they also helped them grow in faith.

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to your kindergartener, we need to rally the parents until it is stopped.

When your favorite store allows men in the women's dressing and bathrooms, management should hear from lots of customers. The same applies to athletic gyms or high school sports facilities.

Managers and administrators often

only feel pressure from the wrong side. We need to balance the picture.

Saturating your neighborhood with gospel tracts is another way to introduce God's truth into the picture. Chick Publications has attempted to provide a wide variety of stories speaking Truth to Satan's lies.

Does 'Palestine' Belong in the Book of Joshua?

Adding to the Bible can be risky, even if it is only in the helps. In an effort to assist the reader, some Bibles place section headings into the chapters. When the subject changes, the change may be indicated by a section head.

Dr. Michael L. Brown, guest columnist for OneNewsNow.com, points out that in some recent NASB versions of the Bible, the section headings about Joshua's conquest of Canaan used the word "Palestine" instead. Brown points out that no such nation existed at that time, so this attempt to "modernize" the Bible could lead to a misunderstanding.

This is beside the fact that this recognition of the area by that name is highly offensive to today's Israelis and could be viewed as anti-Semitic.

This small example highlights the great risk in trying to "fix" the Bible by adapting to a more "modern" language. Which modern language will you use, Boston English, Texas English, or Cockney British? The confusion of dozens of new Bibles that we have today demonstrates the difficulty here.

Even a single language is very fluid. Anyone trying to keep up with each new generation will have to continually chase the new expressions. By the time the book is printed, it will be obsolete.

But God had a better plan. All He needed was one perfectly translated copy

in English. It wasn't up to Him to adapt to the ever-changing nuances of the language. He expected us to simply learn it the way He gave it. The number of vocabulary words is roughly equivalent to the vocabulary of a five-and-a-half-year-old child, and the vast majority of the words are commonly known to this day.

About 200 years after the release of the King James, wise leaders of the church predicted that trying to update the Classic English of the Authorized King James might open it to mischief.

they And were right beyond expectations. Those who objected were overruled and a Bible society of "experts" was organized. Satan's plan "B" was kicked into high gear. Having failed to burn all the bibles -and Biblebelievers— during the Inquisition, he was determined to shroud the Bible in doubt. It might take a few decades -but he had the time.

The KJ Bible had a solid history of preservation reaching back over a millennium and a half. 5000 manuscripts supported that history. What Satan had to do was create an alternate history. He had to find a way to convince the world that better manuscripts were available.

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Missions Fund Report

More and more missionaries are hearing that Chick tracts are available through the Mission Fund. Thank you for helping them! As the number of requests rises, we trust the Lord to provide the resources. As of this writing, we are short of funds for several projects.

Missionary Nico Verhoef often works in Switzerland, Germany or Austria, including among Muslims who have immigrated to those countries. Recently, he arranged tract distribution near the borders of Afghanistan and Pakistan. The



workers reported that many Muslims came after Namaz (morning prayers) to receive the tracts. Small children helped in the distribution. These are people for whom Christ died. They are in bondage to Muhammad's religious system, but hungry to know God. Missionaries may have to be careful how they share their tracts, but the Truth is now in their hands.

We continue to support several ministries in **India.** These currently include: 200,000 tracts for the Hospital



A PBMI worker gives tracts you provided to these young men
—India's future.

Ministry of India, 100,000 for People's Baptist Ministry to India (PBMI), and 10,000 for Independent Church of India.

Another **Indian** ministry you have helped support is that of Missionaries **Lowell and Kathy Smith.** Working with the Independent Church of India, they visit a lot of villages with the fresh message of Jesus. In this picture from the Smiths we see a group of children who are trapped in near-slavery conditions. But now they have a chance to know Jesus.



These tracts make a real difference. Missionary **Chris War,** who receives small shipments monthly in **Italy** writes, "We have seen several people saved in the past few weeks and 7 people baptized since Jan 1st 2016." We continue to ship to him.

From James Strong in Kenya: "We have seen thousands come to Christ through the Chick tracts we have distributed in Kenya, and I will continue to use your tracts in the days to come. This Was Your Life is my favorite gospel tract of all time, and I believe it has the most balanced and true gospel presentation of any tract I have seen. We have our ministry contact information printed on the back of the tracts and receive thousands of calls and text messages of people desiring to be saved, to know more about Jesus, or to receive a Bible."

Many Christians want to provide Chick literature to missionaries.

We can help!

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She came to Argentina to see the Youth Olympics, but she is going home with so much more. As this is written, teams are on the streets, with tracts you provided, reaching people from 74 nations.

100% of the funds you send to the Chick Missions Fund is used to ship literature to missionaries.

We receive requests frequently from missionaries who need your help. Just during recent months, shipments have been provided for:

| Costa Rica | Philippines | Kenya |
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| Belgium | Uruguay | Australia |
| Colombia | Mexico | India |
| Ethiopia | Guyana | and more |

Hundreds of thousands of tracts are now being printed for additional projects, with more requests coming in from missionaries every week!

Will you help?

It's a Bigger Battle Than You Think

Someone has described the recent political chaos as a battle for the soul of America. But the political arena is only a skin sore. The infection is much deeper.

Any "soul" that America has is the product of the "souls" of all Americans.

We are shocked when a girl finds a man in her bathroom. But only in the "Christian" west and only in the last 500 years have women been able to expect any kind of protection and respect. Most people in history would be shocked that the locker room is protected.

We are shocked when investigations report thousands molested by hundreds of priests, first in Chile, then in Pennsylvania, then Germany, then Ireland. But U.S. soldiers reported "toy boys" were common among the local "clergy" in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"Human trafficking" is a popular tourist attraction throughout the Far East. Thirtyfive cents is the price of a preteen in parts of Africa. Historically, this "oldest profession" is not just a recent phenomenon.

Freedom from such slavery is the exception and only in the more recent, biblically-based cultures. The only other time in history was when Israel obeyed God's instruction not to offer their children as burnt sacrifices to the Molech demon. The biblical record of God's plan is unique in its respect for dignity.

The Bible speaks of the "god of this world." He is good at convincing that he doesn't exist. Many in America have bought this lie. Now he is free to whisper again: "Ye shall be as gods." So, man fancies that he can create heaven on earth: eliminate disease, aging, and poverty. But Satan is gleeful when it turns out to be hell on earth instead. And we never learn. We ignore Hitler, Stalin, the Inquisition popes, Genghis Kahn, Mao, Pol Pot. All are now in the real hell silently screaming: "NO! NO! We had it all wrong!"

But we refuse to listen.

Prophetic Scriptures are not encouraging except for hope beyond the grave. "In the world ye shall have tribulation," John writes.

But warfare has never been pretty. How can we expect it otherwise in this motherof-all-conflicts between our Creator and our common enemy? But there is no way to be neutral. We are born into this war and just have to decide whose side we are on.

Once there, we must pick our weapons. Modern military weapons are so powerful that war is now almost unthinkable. But guns and missiles are only used to promote or defend an "ideology." Hitler had an idea and sold it to the people who built his war machine.

Today, America is hung up on ideas. Muslims believe Allah wants them to rule the world. Humanists believe evolution can be harnessed to create paradise. America was founded on the ideas in a Bible authorized in the 17th century by a British king.

So, the war is really about ideas. And that's where we Bible believers come in. The gospel is the only "idea" that works. And General Jesus said go tell everyone.

And anyone who calls himself a Bible believer must decide his focus. Government policy can never change the heart. Only the Holy Spirit can do that.

But when enough hearts are aligned with love for God and love for our neighbor, then righteous people will set the few policies that will be necessary.

Soul winners dare not shrink from active duty. If we don't tell them what Jesus said, how can they choose life? And ink on paper is still very effective. Thousands of testimonies in the Chick Publications files testify to the power of a gospel tract —but only after someone read it. Soldier, when it's over, will you receive: "well done..." or be charged AWOL?

What's coming OUT of your teen?



What's going IN?

Their minds are fed 95% of the time with evil from every direction. If you keep them in church, they might get 5% good. How do you balance what's going into them?

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<u>Jumbo Comic Pack</u>—24 color comics \$46.00 Great gift from parents (and grandparents) who care.

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Mike Wallace in Mexico tells us, "When we pass out Chick tracts, people take them, read them... We can easily give out 1,000 tracts in about one hour in our immediate area. We also sometimes go into the downtown area and there are even more people, and we give out even more tracts much quicker, if you can imagine that."



This child in Mexico sat right down to read.

It's easy to forget how difficult life can be for some of the people who get Chick tracts. **Bruce Hunsaker**, in the Philippines, shared this picture of a young woman named Rolyn (on the left in bottom-right photo). After getting a tract, she took it home and threw it on the bed, only to come back later to find it opened to a page speaking about evil. Convicted and curious, she called for more information. Her father had died when she was only 18, then her mother found another man and left her to care for two younger brothers and a sister. The tract, plus a personal witness, helped her to

accept Jesus and let Him wipe away her tears. She had no Bible, so Bruce gave her his.



These Filipino tracts make you think, don't they?



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counterfeit church. After all, the pope had been a big help in the campaign to burn all the Bibles.

Using modern research methods, author David W. Daniels has discovered how the Bible Societies were infiltrated with men who doubted the scriptures. Joining them were traitors with a diabolical agenda.

Space here does not permit the details that Daniels has discovered, but Vatican agents succeeded in sidelining the preserved texts that support the King James. In its place, a fake history was engineered to support an alternate Greek text for the Bible.

That text was compiled by Westcott and Hort for the Bible Societies to use to

"update" the Bible. All modern versions now contain omissions, contradictions, and footnotes that only raise doubts for the readers. Increasingly, Christians are turning from personal study of the Bible to accepting the interpretations of the pastors and scholars.

Daniels' books, available from Chick Publications, describe the details of this monstrous plot. From the earliest, <u>Did</u> the Catholic Church Give Us the Bible? to the latest on the bogus Septuagint and Sinaiticus, you can trace his discoveries. And the story is still unfolding. His YouTube vlogs give you up-to-theminute revelations that will be published in book form in the future.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

China has been seeping into the news lately.

Politics goes in cycles. First it's Africa, then the Middle East. People pouring into other countries. Islamic armies attacking. Then it's Russia, blamed for meddling with elections and trying to start a war. Now it is China, repressing Christians, monitoring all its citizens, and bugging our phones, computers, and war planes.

The media goes in cycles, too. Every problem they cover is the biggest problem to hit the world, ever —until something else dominates the airwaves. It's show biz. Their job is not to deliver the news. It is to deliver eyes to advertisers. It's truly about "the love of money" (1 Timothy 6:10).

We Christians get pulled off-track from the only thing God entrusted us with, the gospel, We can't armchair theorize our way out of the messes we are in. It's just wasting our time.

The Devil wants us distracted. I have seen a pattern. Each time a new story grips the world, some people stop buying tracts! When the "crisis" is over, or out of the news, the tract sales start up again, slowly. The Devil wants to give us as many crises as possible, to get us to stop spreading the gospel —the only thing the Lord Jesus told us to do!

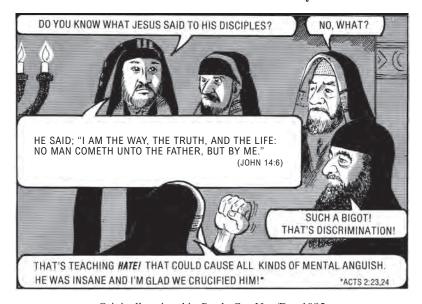
But we Christians are called to follow another set of cycles: the law of sowing and reaping. You always reap *what* you sow, *later* than you sow, and *more than* you sow. If we sow faith, we can reap the fruit that comes from faith. If we sow doubt, we also reap its bitter fruit.

While the world is distracted with politics and "news, weather and sports," we have the opportunity to sow faith with gospel tracts: *faith* in the Lord Jesus Christ and in His shed blood to pay for their sins. And *faith* that God preserved His words to show us how to live our lives.

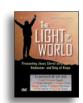
As we move closer to the End, we will hear of many "wars and rumours of wars" (Matthew 24:6). Let's be about the one thing God wants us to do: "Occupy till I come" (Luke 19:13) and use the gospel message to win a lost and distracted world.

Savid Daniele

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