

News and Current Events :: Today's New International Version: gender neutral**Today's New International Version: gender neutral - posted by run2win, on: 2009/7/2 19:45**

I was just listening to a discussion on radio program Renewing Your Mind about the gender neutral Today's NIV. Zondervan (publishers who've moved left of center) and the International Bible Society are pushing this as the "new thing."

I don't care much for the NIV to start with, but how have we come to this? Is this not a distortion of God's Word?

Any thoughts or comments?

Re: Today's New International Version: gender neutral - posted by repentcanada, on: 2009/7/2 20:24

we started this slippery slope of bible translations years ago and it is not going to stop. complete joke.

Re: Today's New International Version: gender neutral - posted by tozerite, on: 2009/7/2 20:32

Zondervan is owned by Rupert Murdoch, who owns the NY Post, a host of tabloids in UK, Sky TV, you name it, under the holding company NewsCorp.

The "church" hasn't figured this out. They never will. In the world and of the world.

Re: - posted by repentcanada, on: 2009/7/2 20:42

Zondervan publishes the Satanic Bible.

Murdoch is one of the world's top producers of pornography. He is a member at Rick Warren's church.

Very concerned here - posted by White_Stone (), on: 2009/7/4 16:40

Hello,

One of my favorite translations is the Amplified Bible, it is published by Zondervan. Is it suspect?

Comments appreciated.

white stone

Re: Very concerned here - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2009/7/4 16:56

Quote:

White_Stone wrote:

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I would not consider amplified as a translation, rather a paraphrase. I would not use it as my primary source for study of God's word, but it's an excellent addition for reading the word and get a "birds eye" perspective, and as long as you know the bible and what it says in a word for word translation it can be a great blessing, my self have gained much from the NLT.

I have a hard time sometimes to stay with the "plot" in some of the prophets and other OT books, in those books NLT have helped me a lot.

Re: - posted by White_Stone (), on: 2009/7/4 17:04

Dear hmmhmm,

Thank you! The Amplified Bible is not the only one I have and study. Recently I have been reading a chapter of the Gospel of John before bedtime of out it, though. I have seen no conflicts with the KJV and find the added explanatory words help give a clearer understanding. In no way do I wish to have the 'understanding' colored by incorrect thoughts. Perhaps I will let it lay for a while and ask God to guide me.

Understand what you mean about the Prophets. :) I may check into the NLT (once I look up what that means, of course).

Appreciated you quick reply, Thank you very much,
white stone

Re: - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2009/7/4 17:13

Quote:

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The New Living Translation

The New Living Translation - posted by White_Stone (), on: 2009/7/4 17:41

Thanks, again. :-)

Re: - posted by tozerite, on: 2009/7/5 9:02

Well, Zondervan publishes the satanic Bible, really? or maybe another publisher owned by Murdoch's NewsCorp? We must speak the truth in righteousness. You might be correct, but I very much doubt that the good folk at Zondervan, albeit serving Murdoch (willingly or unknowingly), would be prepared to proof read, compile, print, packages etc. the satanic Bible. You need to do a fact check and report back to us. It is quite an allegation you made.

I also don't believe Murdoch is one of the top producers of pornography and I take umbrage to the word "top." His organization no doubt distributes dubious and utterly offensive materials, but who knows if that's more than anyone else, or even close to that. Suffice to know that there is nothing to commend Zondervan's union with NewsCorp, and most regrettable.

I believe Murdoch's first wife is a believer and it was her influence that brought Zondervan to NewsCorp, but since then, he divorced his wife and went off the deep end, so to speak, but I'm not judging the man, other than withholding from buying anyone of his publications, even if it be the NIV or some Christian book.

Re: - posted by tozerite, on: 2009/7/5 9:04

I have an Amplified Bible, but I purchased it long before Zondervan became a subsidiary of Murdoch's NewsCorp.

Re: - posted by White_Stone (), on: 2009/7/5 14:44

Thank you for that input. I wonder if there were changes made after the switch? The three I have were all published around the 1980's but the publisher was Zondervan.

Still, I get a thrill every time I read Hebrews 13:5 & Hebrews 13:6.

Regards, white stone

Re: - posted by tozerite, on: 2009/7/5 17:22

White Stone

No, if you bought it in 1980, there are no issues. I think Murdoch only got his hands on Zondervan in the late nineties. Also, as far as I know, once translated, the Amplified remained as is, unrevised, but the copyright now resides with Murdoch. The proceeds from the sale of any new editions or reprintings will go to NewsCorp - too bad.

Re: - posted by White_Stone (), on: 2009/7/5 17:23

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Re: - posted by wayneman (), on: 2009/7/5 19:02

I worked in the Zondervan's warehouse for a few weeks, doing back-breaking labor for \$6 an hour, at a time when the standard starting wage for warehouse work was \$12. Wednesday mornings we would have a chapel service in which local clergymen would take turns telling us that what we were doing was more than a job--it was a ministry, and we would receive an eternal reward in heaven. In truth, it was the most shameless manifestation of the American Gospel Enterprise I have ever seen: a corporate asset, whose only purpose for existing was to turn a profit for its shareholders, pays the professional clergy to tell us that what we were doing was "ministry" and we were earning an eternal reward in heaven. Translation: "You should be happy doing hard labor for chump wages because you will have your reward in heaven. Zondervan pays you half the standard wage and God will pay you the rest later." It was a metaphysical grift on the same level as Popery or Televangelism: "Benefit us in this world and God will benefit you in the next!"

Rupert has been called "The King of Sleaze" because his formula has been purchasing struggling media outlets and making them profitable by making them smutty. Shortly after he purchased Zondervan, they started work on a new edition of the NIV. The running joke in the Zondervan warehouse was that Rupert flipped through the NIV and said, "Not sexy enough, spice it up!" The new edition was cancelled because scholarly review was overwhelmingly negative. I wonder if "Today's NIV" is that same edition, safe for publication now that "The Message" has so lowered standards for new translations that you could hardly do any worse.