

“Is Hell Real? The One Thing Most Christians Don’t Understand About Hell & The Millenium” was posted on YouTube by Seventh-day Adventist Church on 12/9/20. Cami Oetman was the speaker. It is number nine of a series titled “Unlocking Bible Prophecies 2.0 Master Class with Cami Oetman” who is the Vice President of Adventist World Radio. Her presentation is a bit breathy; some may like that.

At 2:04 Cami asks her audience if they would be shocked to learn that the concept of hell derived from Greek mythology. I would ask Cami if she would be shocked to learn her favorite “Bible,” the New King James Version (NKJV), has moved toward incorporating Greek mythology.

She says, “for every Bible truth, Satan has his counterfeit.” I agree. Is it any stretch of the imagination to understand that Satan would get to the very root of his big problem and inspire his servants to make counterfeit Bibles that are self-contradictory and contain other errors? Speaking of Satan, Ellen G. White says:

“There is nothing that he desires more than to destroy confidence in God and in His word.”
The Great Controversy page 526.

At 6:09 Cami quotes Revelation 22:7 from the New Living Translation (NLT). The NLT is the one that says in Mark 9:44.... Hmmmm. Mark 9:44 isn’t there. Mark 9:46 isn’t there either! There is an important verse in Mark 9:47-48 that teaches about hell which might be some consolation for the missing verses. A couple of missing verses? Who needs them anyway? When you make easier to read “Bibles” you have to leave verses out that people are too dumb to understand and keep the important ones.

“And if your eye causes you to sin, gouge it out. It’s better to enter the Kingdom of God with only one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell, ‘where the maggots never die and the fire never goes out.’” Mark 9:47-48 (NLT).

Carefully notice what Cami’s “the Bible” says. It clearly and simply says hell fire “never goes out” and that “the maggots never die.” If this is too hard to understand, it really means the fire will NEVER go out and that there are immortal maggots in hell. Maggots must have immortal souls. Who knew?

The real Bible, the King James Version (KJV), says “their worm dieth not” and “the fire is not quenched” in that passage. I know, the KJV is too hard to read because “worm” and “dieth” are too hard to understand; “maggots” and “die” are a lot easier. “Fire is not quenched” means the fires of hell can’t be put out; it doesn’t mean they will never go out. Something one can learn by using an ENGLISH DICTIONARY is the KJV meaning of “worm.”

“Remorse ; that which incessantly gnaws the conscience ; that which torments. Where their *worm* dieth not. Mark ix.” From Noah Webster’s 1828 *American Dictionary of the English Language*.

Cami, after quoting from the NLT says (around 6:20), “God does not desire us to be ignorant friends. He made sure His Word was written and preserved so that anyone can understand if they want to. When studying prophecy, the Bible is its own interpreter.” The NLT is quite clear about the immortal worms and the fires of hell that will never go out but what about the missing verses? Did God forget to put them in?

At 6:37 Cami says, “We must not ignore parts of the Bible that do not suit us or discard parts of the Bible as not applicable or add our own words to it. You see, God’s Word never changes.” What about the missing verses and the immortal worms? She then reviewed the “theme” in all capital letters; “IF IT’S IN THE BIBLE, I BELIEVE IT. IF IT DISAGREES WITH THE BIBLE, IT’S NOT FOR ME.”

At 7:27 Cami notes that the popular teaching about the one thousand years is not factual. She says, “It suspiciously sounds like something Satan might invent. A counterfeit. To trap and deceive people. The Devil is not playing games friends.” I’m suspicious that the black book she’s holding is one of Satan’s best counterfeits.

At 7:51 she says, “Our only safety is in staying in God’s Word. The Bible exposes the Devil’s snares.” I agree as long as the book spoken of is the real Bible and not one of Satan’s fakes.

At 8:04 Cami quotes part of Revelation 20:4, 6 from another fake Bible, the New King James Version (NKJV). That’s the one that says:

“Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.’ And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.” Revelation 19:7-8 (NKJV).

It's simple. The NKJV clearly teaches that we’re saved by our righteous acts. Remember, this is a “Master Class” and the “theme” is “IF IT’S IN THE BIBLE, I BELIEVE IT.”

“Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.” Revelation 19:7-8 (KJV).

“By the wedding garment in the parable is represented the pure, spotless character which Christ’s true followers will possess. To the church it is given ‘that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white,’ ‘not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing.’ The fine linen, says, the Scripture, ‘is the righteousness of saints.’ It is the righteousness of Christ, His own unblemished character, that through faith is imparted to all who receive Him as their personal Saviour.” *Christ’s Object Lessons* page 310.

Which “the Bible” do we believe?

At 8:46 John 5:28-29 is quoted from the KJV.

At 9:06 part of Revelation 20:5 was kind of quoted from the KJV. Cami didn't quite follow what was on the screen but it was close.

At 10:04, 10:25 and 10:46 passages are quoted from the NKJV. Not all NKJV passages are bad and these weren't bad. They do give a clue, however, as to which fake bible is Cami's favorite.

At 11:42 there's another quotation from Cami's favorite fake bible.

“And at that day the slain of the LORD shall be from one end of the earth even to the other end of the earth. They shall not be lamented, or gathered, or buried; they shall become refuse on the ground.” Jeremiah 25:33 (NKJV).

“And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even to the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.” Jeremiah 25:33 (KJV).

Which is the stronger word; “refuse” or “dung?” If you're not sure, think about whether you would rather look for something in a garbage can or dig through a pile of feces.

At 12:52 verses were quoted from the NKJV and they're very good ones. The meaning is the same as in the KJV but I like the KJV better.

“I beheld the earth, and, lo, it was without form, and void; and the heavens, and they had no light. I beheld, and, lo, there was no man, and all the birds of the heavens were fled.” Jeremiah 4:23, 25 (KJV).

Other NKJV verses follow at 13:14, 13:44, 15:21, 16:17, 16:46, 18:35, 19:04, 19:55, 20:14, 20:27, 21:01, 21:16, 21:37, 23:17, 24:46, 25:43, 26:13, and 27:29.

At 27:36 Cami says, “The fire from God will consume all sin thereby cleansing the earth. Let's take some time to see what the Bible says about this fire commonly referred to as hell. In most graphic language the Bible repeatedly refers to this lake of fire and the punishment of the unsaved. In Revelation Jesus mentions the lake of fire fifteen times.”

Here is how it really is. In Cami's favorite fake bible, the word “fire” appears fifteen times in the book of Revelation. Things are already looking bad. In her favorite fake bible, the word “lake” appears ten times in total. In total means every verse from Genesis 1:1 to Revelation 22:21. There's still a glimmer of hope though. If every verse in her fake bible that mentions fire in the book of Revelation is in some way referring to hell, we'll give it to her. Sadly, even with that liberality, you still can't get close to “lake of fire” being mentioned “fifteen times” in her entire fake bible. How do you account for the fact Cami can't count? I thought maybe because she's blond but then Mark Fox and Chris Holland have also demonstrated their difficulty in counting and they're not blond. Try to remember, this is a “Master Class.”

At 28:20 Cami asks, “Are the wicked punished forever, regardless of the number or severity of their sins?” In asking this question, Cami is also asking if humans have immortal souls. If it's

established that humans don't have immortal souls, it's easy to show they won't burn forever in hell. At 28:53 Cami quotes a verse from her fake bible she thinks shows the wicked won't be punished until they have been judged. In doing this, Cami demonstrates that in addition to having difficulty with counting she also has difficulty in reading. I can't be too hard on her though since professional Seventh-day Adventist theologian and evangelist Mark Finley has also demonstrated on more than one occasion that he has problems reading ENGLISH and he isn't blond.

“then the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment,” 2 Peter 2:9 (NKJV).

“The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished.” 2 Peter 2:9 (KJV).

Being reserved “under punishment” means the dead are being punished while waiting for the judgment. What a fantastic verse to show the dead are being punished in hell or purgatory. The real Bible says the dead are being reserved “unto” the day of judgment for their punishment. “Unto” means “until.” In other words, for those who may have been confused by Cami, the real Bible says the wicked won't be punished until the day of judgment.

The part of John 12:48 quoted from the real Bible at 29:09 where it says “...the same shall judge him in the last day” helps her not a bit since her fake bible has already taught that the wicked are being punished in hell or purgatory while waiting for judgment.

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At 29:15 she quotes Matthew 13:40-42 which, according to her, mentions “the end of the world.” This is the reading of the KJV in Matthew 13:40.

“As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.” Matthew 13:40 (KJV).

“Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age.” Matthew 13:40 (NKJV).

You will not find the phrase “end of the world” anywhere in the NKJV except in a geographical sense. Everywhere the real Bible has that phrase, it has been changed to “end of the age” in the NKJV. Those who teach New Age doctrine believe we're now leaving or have left the Age of Pieces and are entering or have entered a better age; the Age of Aquarius. They don't believe Christ will come and destroy this world with fire. They believe there are multiple long ages each consisting of 2,160 years. The NKJV supports New Age doctrine.

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Cami really likes “end of the world” because she says it several times.

At 29:56 Cami says, “All wicked dead are in their graves now awaiting the resurrection of damnation at the close of the thousand years.” The phrase “resurrection of damnation” occurs once in the KJV in John 5:29. The word “damnation” occurs nowhere in the NKJV.

At 30:10 Cami refers to one of her previous presentations where she said death is called sleep “at least fifty times.” You should read my review on that presentation which is on this site. The real story is that sleep in the context of death only occurs about sixteen times in her fake bible and twenty-three times in the real Bible. Try to remember, this is a “Master Class” and the “theme” is “IF IT’S IN THE BIBLE, I BELIEVE IT.”

At 30:15 Cami quotes from the KJV, follows it with a quotation from the NKJV and then with a fragment of Ecclesiastes 9:5 from the KJV.

At 30:32 Cami says, “There is no soul that floats up to heaven or is, or is shoved into the flames of hell.”

Cami’s favorite fake bible says in 2 Peter 2:9 that the wicked are being held “under punishment” which would indicate they’re being held in some unpleasant place. Her favorite fake bible in Psalms 146:4 clearly says man’s “spirit departs” at death. Try to remember, this is a “Master Class” and the “theme” is “IF IT’S IN THE BIBLE, I BELIEVE IT.”

At 30:47 Cami quotes a personally modified verse from the real Bible.

“That the wicked is reserved to the day of destruction. They shall be brought forth to the day of wrath.” Job 21:30 modified from the KJV.

The verse really reads like this.

“That the wicked is reserved to the day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath.” Job 21:30 (KJV).

The only difference is a period instead of a question mark in the Cami version. Do you think that changes the meaning?

Since Cami’s favorite “Bible” is the NKJV, it’s only right that we see what that “the Bible” says.

“For the wicked are reserved for the day of doom; They shall be brought out on the day of wrath.” Job 21:30 (NKJV).

Cami needed “the Bible” to say “destruction” rather than “doom.” Doom can happen without destruction. A soul could be doomed to hell rather than being destroyed in hell. In addition, Cami’s favorite fake bible clearly teaches in 2 Peter 2:9 that the wicked are being held “under punishment.” Try to remember, this is a “Master Class” and the “theme” is “IF IT’S IN THE BIBLE, I BELIEVE IT.”

It gets better (not really). The quotation from Job 21:30 is followed by another one from the same chapter using the KJV.

“Yet shall he be brought to the grave, and shall remain in the tomb.” Job 21:32 (KJV).

“Yet he shall be brought to the grave, And a vigil kept over the tomb.” Job 21:32 (NKJV).

Could you keep a “vigil” over a tomb if just the body was there and the soul had departed the body? Of course you could. That verse from the NKJV was inconvenient to use. Here is a definition of “vigil.”

“In Church use, the term is applied to the day preceding a feast, which is observed as a preparation for the feast by acts of penance or devotion or both.” From *The Catholic Encyclopedia*.

Why, pray tell, would one be doing acts of penance or devotion over a tomb?

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At 31:06 a verse is quoted from the NKJV.

At 31:55 Cami says, “the fire comes from above to devour the wicked on earth and not from the popular idea that there is a smoldering hell fire below somewhere” and “let’s always have the Bible give us the answers.” She uses part of Revelation 20:9 from the KJV to support this, i.e., “...and fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them.” I think you would be hard pressed to find anyone who thought there was a “smoldering hell fire below somewhere.” People don’t know where hell is any more than they know where heaven is.

At 31:16 she says, “Many souls say, or excuse me, many people say that souls never die. But what does God say?” LOL. She quotes part of Ezekiel 18:20 from the NKJV; “The soul who sins shall die...” Let it be known, in English the word “soul” can mean a person or some entity that departs the body at death; both are correct ENGLISH definitions. To get the biblical definition of soul, less difficulty is encountered if you use the Protestant English Bible that’s in common use.

At 33:00 part of Revelation 20:9 from the Protestant KJV is again used.

At 33:08 Cami says, “When sinners are devoured in the fire they are put out of existence.” Remember this as the story of someone else being devoured in the fire is coming up. Especially remember the part about “devoured” and being “put out of existence.”

At 33:41 Cami quotes 2 Peter 3:10 from the NKJV where it says, “...the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.” This is one of the

NKJV verses that should be taken to mean the “end of the world” even though “end of the world” has been removed in other places.

At 34:01 Malachi 4:1 from the NKJV is quoted to show the wicked will be burned up. She emphasized that the fire “will burn them up.” She says, “The little word up denotes completion. One hundred percent.” Very good Cami; remember that. “Up denotes completion.” She says a perpetually burning hell would keep Satan alive. I take from this that she thinks Satan is alive right now. This is important; remember that Cami thinks Satan is alive.

At 35:52 Cami quotes a verse from her fake bible. She knew that “up denotes completion.” Let’s see how she does with other English words.

“Behold, they shall be as stubble, The fire shall burn them; They shall not deliver themselves From the power of the flame; It shall not be a coal to be warmed by, Nor a fire to sit before!” Isaiah 47:14 (NKJV).

“Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame: there shall not be a coal to warm at, nor a fire to sit before it.” Isaiah 47:14 (KJV).

Cami imagines that her fake bible says the fire goes out. Sorry, it doesn’t say that. The difference is in one word; “it” versus “there.” In saying “It shall not be a coal to be warmed by, Nor a fire to sit before!” her fake bible merely DESCRIBES the fire as a really big fire; much too big to be a fire for you to want to warm yourself at. It is describing the fire and not what happens to the fire. The real Bible says, “there shall not be a coal to warm at, nor a fire to sit before it” meaning there is no more fire; it is describing what HAPPENS to the fire. If Cami wanted hell fire to go out, she should have used the Protestant Bible for this verse.

At 36:23 Cami uses another NKJV verse you should remember for later; especially the part about “ashes.”

“You shall trample the wicked, For they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet On the day that I do this,’ Says the LORD of hosts.” Malachi 4:3 (NKJV).

At 37:00 Cami says King David in the Psalms said the wicked won’t be found no matter how “diligently” one may search for them. The Psalm in question is Psalms 37:10 and the “diligently” is from the KJV. This is the perfect illustration of why, aside from the errors, it’s important to use ONE infallible Bible instead of a fake one. I have read the real Bible enough that I remember words that will get me the verse I want. Someone who had been using a fake bible (or worse, multiple fake bibles) like the NKJV would probably have had difficulty finding that verse even with a concordance because there is no “diligently” or other distinctive word in that verse. After using “diligently” as in the KJV, she did post the entirety of that verse from the NKJV.

At 37:19 she got to Psalms 37:20. We’ll look at how much easier to read the NKJV is compared to the KJV.

“But the wicked shall perish; and the enemies of the LORD, Like the splendor of the meadows, shall vanish. Into smoke they shall vanish away.” Psalms 37:20 (NKJV).

“But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD shall be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away.” Psalms 37:20 (KJV).

A meadow, especially one that can be described as having “splendor,” is probably a flat moist area covered with green plants. How often do you think a moist area covered with green plants catches on fire? Part of the temple services consisted of a burnt offering every day in the morning and evening. What do you think is more likely; that the Psalmist was describing a meadow burning or a burning offering?

At 37:49 Cami says, regarding the wicked, “Scripture says they are turned to ash.” Remember “ash.”

At 38:01 Revelation 20:10 was quoted partly as follows. Cami was probably hoping no one would get out their bible and see what the rest of the verse said.

“The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are...” Revelation 20:10 from the NKJV minus the last part that says, “And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.”

Including the “forever and ever” would have necessitated an explanation of why the Bible doesn’t teach the wicked will burn for millions of years.

It’s hard to believe... OK, maybe not so hard to believe. Cami uses a portion of Ezekiel 28:18-19 from the NKJV to tell her listeners what happened to Satan. That’s right; what HAPPENED to Satan; PAST TENSE. This is why I wanted you to remember the words ash, ashes and devoured. The highly esteemed prince of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Mark Finley, has done this so why not Cami.

“...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... All who knew you among the peoples are astonished at you; You have become a horror, and shall be no more forever.” Portions of Ezekiel 28:18-19 (NKJV).

“...by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth... All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more.” The same portions of Ezekiel 28:18-19 (KJV).

Cami, during this presentation, has emphasized that the wicked will (future tense) be “devoured” and turned to “ashes.” Her favorite fake bible says Satan is “devoured” and that he is “turned” to “ashes” all in PAST TENSE. That means Satan is dead. What will Cami do? Actually, nothing. She just read the passage and moved on.

At 38:52 Cami says, “You see Satan wants to discredit the character of God.” No Cami, if your fake bible is correct Satan WANTED to discredit the character of God. If he’s “devoured” by fire and turned (past tense) to “ashes,” Satan doesn’t want anything right now.

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Hopefully one of our scholarly purveyors of “truth” who use one of the Andrews Study Bibles will try to explain why what happens to Satan is in past tense in those bibles in Ezekiel 28. That should make a really good story. The Andrews Study Bibles based on the NKJV and the New International Version both have the same stupidly ridiculous explanatory footnote put there by some Seventh-day Adventist scholar at Andrews University. Maybe I should say ridiculously stupid ridiculous footnote.

While holding a black book, which I presume is Cami’s favorite fake bible, she speaks of lies whose origin are from the Roman Catholic Church such as purgatory. We’ve already seen that Cami’s fake bible can be used to teach the doctrine of hell and purgatory. She also said undying souls are in “limbo” and being tortured. No, limbo is where babies who haven’t been baptized before they die go and they aren’t being tortured.

At 42:50 another NKJV passage is quoted.

Cami described future meetings with various people in heaven. She said, “Ah, ah, imagine when Stephen who was stoned by Paul in Acts seven, when he meets the eyes of Paul, his persecutor.” Neither Acts 7 nor any other Scripture passage says Paul stoned Stephen.

Toward the end Cami claims fire is merciful because it consumes quickly. Fire is not mercy. The wicked have rejected mercy. Fire is justice and it doesn’t consume everyone quickly.

“Some are destroyed as in a moment, while others suffer many days. All are punished ‘according to their deeds.’ The sins of the righteous having been transferred to Satan, he is made to suffer not only for his own rebellion, but for all the sin which he has caused God’s people to commit. His punishment is to be far greater than that of those whom he has deceived. After all have perished who fell by his deceptions, he is still to live and suffer on.”
The Great Controversy page 673.

“Their worm dieth not.”

I believe it to be a very dangerous thing when corrupted versions of “God’s Word” are accepted by almost everyone as “the Bible.” The NKJV isn’t even the worst of them. I have left posts on some YouTube channels from which I am now banned. I have written letters to the General Conference and have sent tracts and sermon reviews to various ministers and no one cares. I don’t think they will care until other church members object to what is being done and/or the money stops coming in.

The flocks of Seventh-day Adventist ministers know far too little about what their bibles say and mean and many ministers also seem to be unaware of the damage that is being done. Though ministers commonly speak of what “the Bible says,” the majority of them don’t believe there is a single infallible Bible without any error anywhere on earth. That is despite the fact that the real Bible says in Psalms 12:6-7 that the words of the Lord are “pure” and that they will be preserved forever. “Pure” means no error.

Rather than reading the various “inspirational” publications of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and its affiliates, church members should be reading the real Bible for themselves and studying the books of the Lord’s messenger, Ellen G. White.

There is a tract on eBay titled “There’s just a little...” If you put in the search phrase, “tract just a little” you will bring it up. It is meant to be shared with those who are unaware of how bad the NKJV is.

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