



The Messenger

Messenger Project Newsletter

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Messenger Notes



Darryl Walker sings on our new CD.

Darryl Walker added vocal tracks for *Overflow*, **Raymond Genovese's** first original composition for **Messenger Project**. The CD is in the final mixing stage with some recording still pending.

Lionel De Leon's *The Word* Christian Rock Opera is moving along quickly. The demo soundtrack for Act One is 60% complete. **Adrian De Leon, Felix Maluso, Phill Vournazos, Andrew Kirby, Mary Kate Kirby, Bart Broadnax, Skip Hahn, Raymond Genovese, Lionel and Joie De Leon** recorded vocals for the soundtrack this month.

Lionel and Joie De Leon performed two shows at **Challenger Memorial Youth Detention** for **Camp Okizuka** (girls) and **Camp Smith** (boys) in Lancaster on May 8th. The groups were receptive and well-mannered, especially the young men. It is our hope that seeds of transformation were planted in each of their hearts. Joie and Lionel's next performance will be at **Dorothy Kirby Center** in the City of Commerce on Sunday, June 6th.

Bible Typos

The Bible may be the inerrant word of God, but man is sometimes fallible when it comes to reproducing the Bible with accuracy. Here are a few shining examples of twisted Scripture that have been published by mistake:

Blessed are the *place-makers* **Matthew 5:9** (instead of "peacemakers")

Thou shalt commit adultery **Exodus 20:14** (omitted "not")

Know ye not that the unrighteous shall inherit the kingdom of God **1 Corinthians 6:9** (omitted "not")

Printers have persecuted me without a cause **Psalms 119:161** (instead of "Princes")

Go and sin *on* more **John 8:11** (instead of "no")

The fool hath said in his heart there is a God **Psalms 14:1** (instead of "no")

Let the children first be *killed* **Mark 7:27** (instead of "filled")

These are *murderers*, complainers **Jude 16** (instead of "murmurers")

The murderer shall surely be put *together* **Numbers 25:18** (instead of "to death")

He hath ears to *ear*, let him hear **Matthew 11:15** (instead of "hear")

I will ... that women adorn themselves in *modern* apparel **1 Timothy 2:9** (instead of "modest")

Besides typographical errors, man has the undaunted task of accurately translating Hebrew and Greek into every language on earth! Thankfully, God makes everything possible through his will.

Archaeological Evidence

Dates of discoveries that support the Bible:

1879 Cyrus Cylinder- records of one of the edicts of King Cyrus of Persia from 535 BC, confirming his existence and decrees.

1901 Black Stele- proves that writing and written laws existed three centuries before Moses. *Laws of Hammurabi* are the earliest known complete set of codified laws still in existence and prove that Mosaic law is not too sophisticated for its period.

1925 Nuzi Tablets- detail customs of the 14th and 15th century BC that parallel patriarchal accounts such as maids producing children for barren wives.

1929 Ras Shamra Tablets- provide a fuller insight into the religion of Baal and a clearer definition of obscure Hebrew words.

1933 Mari Tablets are cuneiform tablets which date back to Abraham's time period and explain patriarchal traditions in Genesis.

1935 Lachish Letters describe Nebuchadnezzar's invasion of Judah and give insight into the time of Jeremiah. *Gedaliah Seal* contains names and lists from the period just before the fall of Jerusalem in 586 B.C.

1947 Laws of Eshnunna contain sixty paragraphs of law that predate the *Laws of Hammurabi*.

1974 Ebla Tablets contain laws similar to the Deuteronomy law code. The previously thought fictitious five cities of the plain in Genesis 14 (Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, Zeboiim, and Zoar) are also identified.

Archaeology supports the historical accuracy of the Bible and strengthens our faith in God!