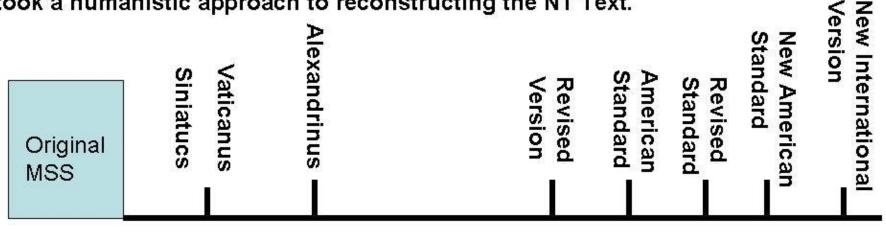
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## **The Critical Text**

<u>Critical Text</u>: follows a small handful of MSS from the  $3^{rd}$ ,  $4^{th}$  and  $5^{th}$  centuries. These readings are often supported by less than ten MSS and sometimes by as few as a couple. Not only do these MSS disagree with the majority, but they also disagree amongst themselves. This text is favored by Westcott and Hort, who took a humanistic approach to reconstructing the NT Text.



331 A.D. 450 A.D.

The textual theory of Westcott and Hort asserts the following:

- 1. Older MSS are better
- 2. Shorter readings are better
- 3. TR readings are longer, more recent, and are therefore corrupt Past

Nearly every Bible (exception: NKJV) that has been translated into English since 1881 has followed the critical textual theories of Westcott and Hort

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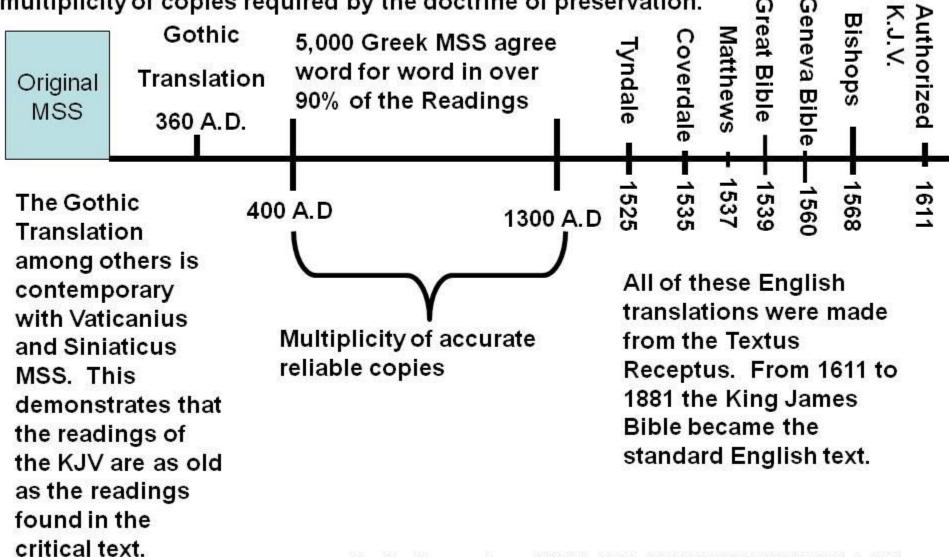
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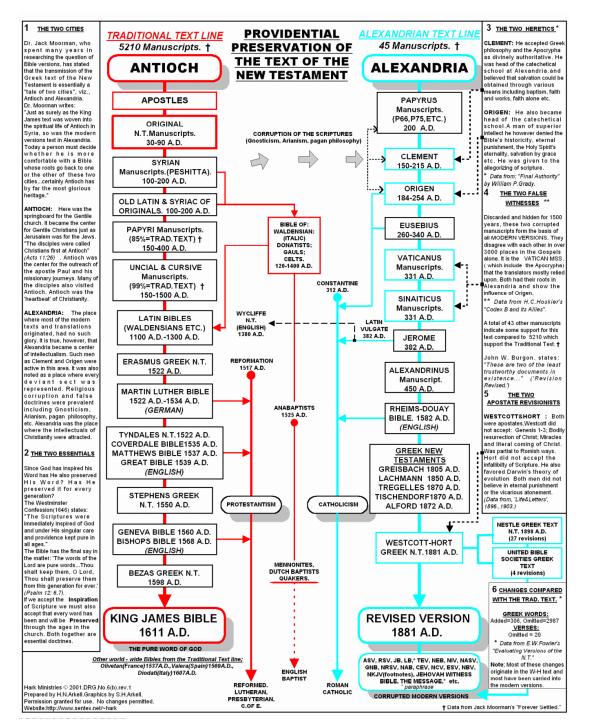
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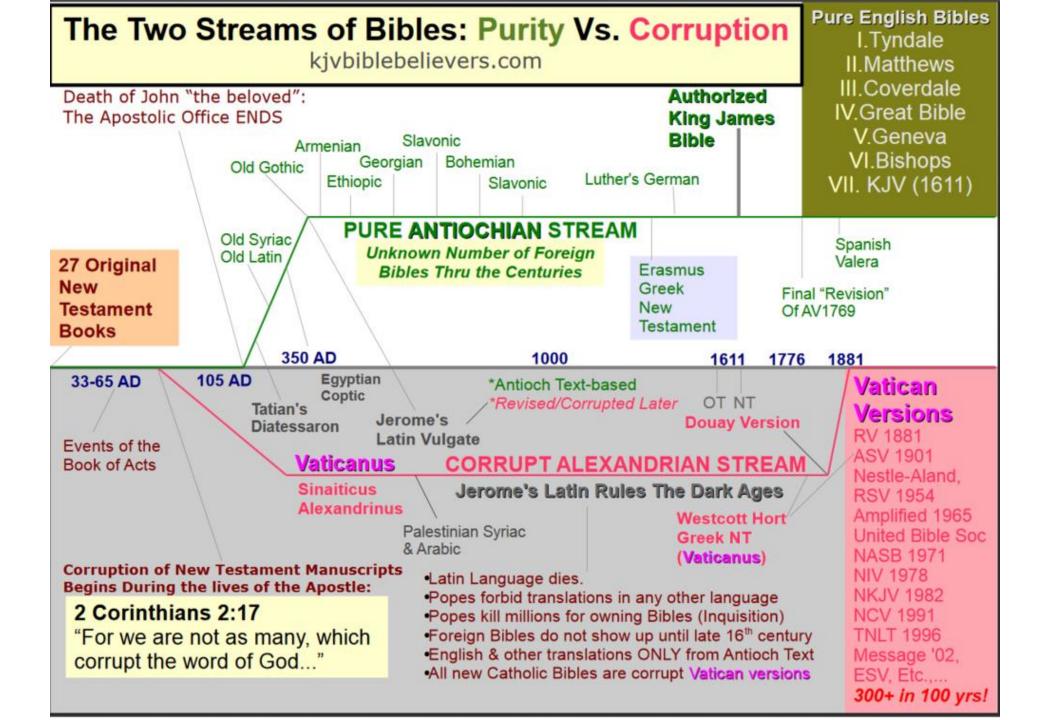
## **The Preserved Text**

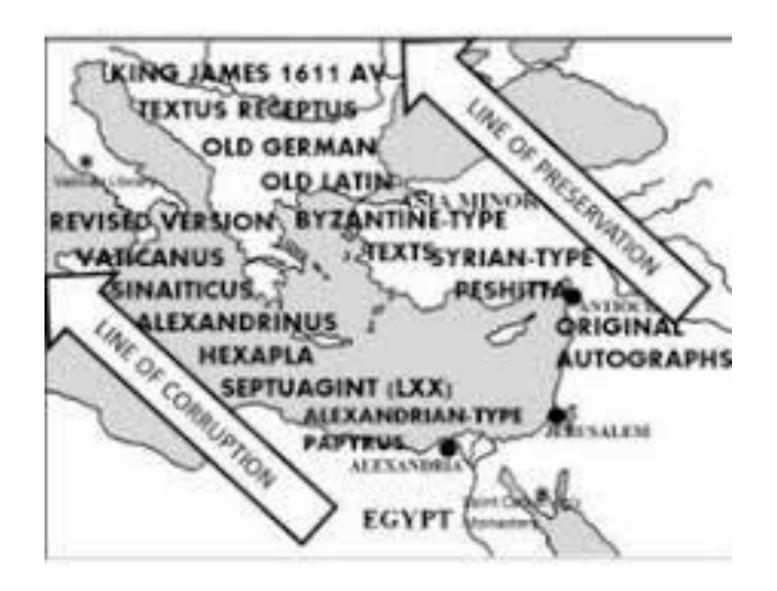
<u>Preserved Text</u>: represents the vast majority (90+%) of all Greek MSS (5,000). The Textus Receptus (i.e. Received Text) is witnessed by the majority of MSS, in addition to early translations and Patristic Lectionaries. The TR represents the multiplicity of copies required by the doctrine of preservation.

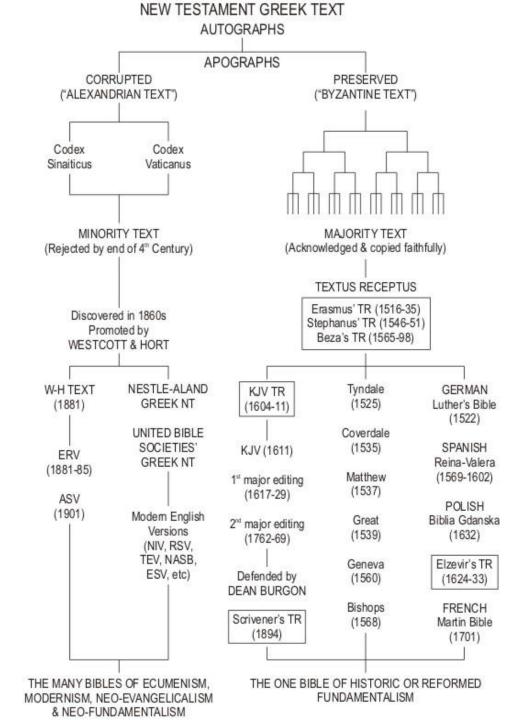


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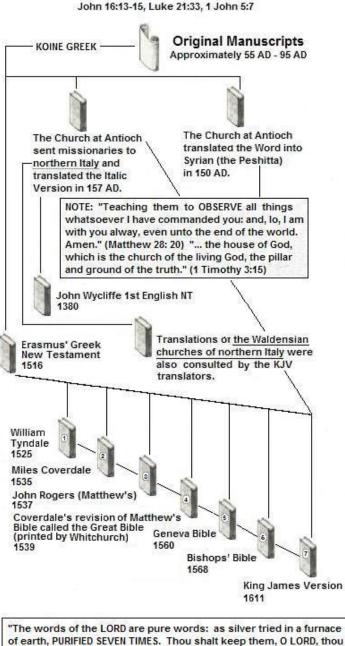








## **ORIGINAL TEXT LINE PRESERVED**



shalt PRESERVE them from this generation for ever." (Psalm 12:6-7)

## **ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPTS CORRUPTED**

