

# "Easter" Is Pagan, So Why Do Believers Celebrate It?

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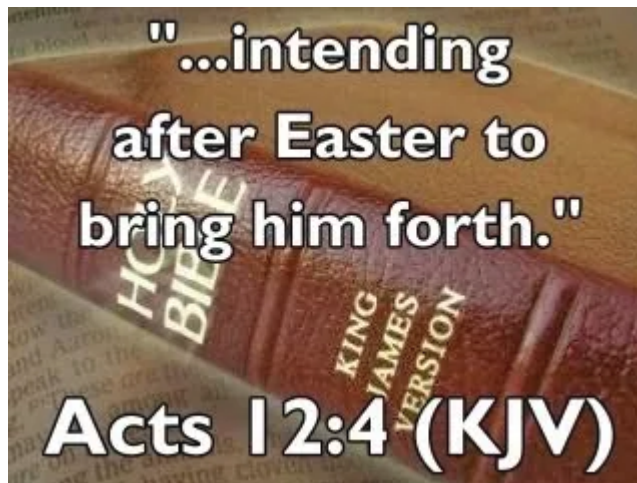
On April 8, 2023, KJBelievers83 (Aaron Taylor) released a video on YouTube titled "Easter" is pagan, so why do believers celebrate it?" The video was shared and discussed on Facebook over Easter Weekend 2023. Upon examination, it is clear that the video was cobbled together from extracts of Truth Time Radio's (TTR) blog entry "The Word "Easter" in Acts 12 is Correct" from April 20, 2020. There was no attribution or acknowledgment given by the video's creator that the contents of the video were not his own work but rather that of TTR. Not only is this a violation of TTR's Copyright Policy (see the highlighted yellow box at the bottom of this document) but the creator accepted praise for the video both on Facebook and in the YouTube comments as though it were his own work while mocking and scoffing at those who questioned the veracity of some of the claims made in the video.

#### How To Read This Document

First, follow the numbers in the right-hand margin as they identify the order in which Taylor purloined TTR's blog entry to create the video. The small numbers indicate the time stamps from the video where each numbered section was pilfered. Finally, each numbered section is indicated with a different colored highlighter. For example, section 1 is yellow whereas section 2 is green. Please play the video and follow the numbered/highlighted sections below to track how the video was cobbled together.

## The Word "Easter" in Acts 12 is Correct

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The following is a transcript from a Truth Time Radio program. Find the Youtube and Podcast links at the bottom of the page.

Easter, in your bible was not about the resurrection of Christ. The bible uses the word "Easter" only once, and to describe a pagan holiday.

We have those who made the decision to change "Easter" to "passover". As if "passover" about the resurrection. But "passover" has nothing to do with the resurrection.

6) 6:31-7:58

**Luke 22:14-15**

14 And when the hour was come, he (that's Jesus) sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.

15 And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer:

Eat the passover? Before I suffer? Where's the resurrection here? What does eating passover have to do with the resurrection? Christ rose AFTER "passover" not ON "passover". Neither "Easter Sunday" nor Passover have anything to do with the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In your bible "Easter" was a pagan holiday, and "passover" was an event that happened BEFORE the resurrection. See the confusion?

Acts 12:4 is where we're headed in today's study. It is where Luke wrote the word "Easter". When some come to this word they get all twisted up and begin to correct the King James translators. Saying that "Easter" should have been translated "pascha" - "passover".

Well if there's anything good to be said of ignorance - at least it is curable. We were all ignorant to some degree until presented with truth. Then it's decision time. We have a decision to make. We can choose to remain ignorant, or NOT to. Today is one of those moments. I'll present the evidence, you make your choice.

Some still have doubts about the King James Bible containing God's perfectly preserved words. They allow self called self appointed "theologians" to come in sway them. Without doing their own research. "Doctor what-cha-ma-call-it said it, so it MUST be right."

If you allow anyone to come along and change even ONE word in your bible, then you have fallen for misinformation. If you don't believe ONE word of it, why believe any of it? These jokers I hear that come to a word in the King James and say "Well the original Greek says..." The "original Greek"??? Seriously? If you are in the possession of the "original Greek" manuscripts, you my friend possess a small fortune. That no doubt would be one valuable piece of work you got there.

There ARE no "originals". Abandon that sort of thinking. What we DO have are copies. The bible (God's words) were preserved by copies not by originals. We do not HAVE, nor do we NEED the original. God didn't. 7) 8:11-8:41

Research this yourself, and you'll find that throughout scripture, they depended on copies. Not the original. Research the word "copy" and see it for yourself. In Psalm 12, God made promise to preserve his words forever, and he DID.

Today we have those that when they come to a certain place in the bible, they'll say "Should have been translated". Or "A better translation would say..." Should have been translated? What? It's translated just fine. Nothing wrong with it - leave it alone! Watch out and beware of this slippery slope they'll take you down. One word corrected leads to TWO words corrected. Then three, four, and the slope begins to get even MORE slippery. Next thing you know you've fallen and you're stranded at the bottom in need of a lifeline. You've fallen and you can't get up. You've heard me say it before but it bears repeating. If you don't believe even ONE word of your bible, you are not a bible believer. It only takes one word to disqualify you.

Many are impressed by the Greek manuscripts. If you have ever had a bible debate with someone, you have most likely had them at one point or another (especially when they feel like they're losing) appeal to the Greek. "Well in the Greek, that word REALLY means..." Sounding so pious and noble in their scholarly voice.

The word "Pascha" is used in all of the more than 300 Greek manuscripts. The word "Pascha" is used for "passover". Therefore, many believe, -- not from doing their own thorough investigation -- but like a puppet on a string, they believe that the word "Easter" is a mistranslation and is wrong in the King James bible.

Today let's just read this for ourselves and see if we can get this right. Acts 12. That's where we're headed today in our study. Acts chapter 12, verse 1.

1 Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the church. 2) 3:58-4:47  
 2 And he killed James the brother of John with the sword.  
 3 And because he saw it pleased the Jews,

Question: Who is the "he"? A pagan by the name of Herod. He killed James the brother of John, then we read "he proceeded further to take Peter also." Then Luke makes a parenthetical statement here. He says "(Then were the days of unleavened bread.)"

Unleavened bread. Now where have we heard that before? Leviticus chapter 23 verse 5. 3) 5:00-5:17

5 In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's passover.  
 6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

So let's do the math. The fourteenth day was "passover". The fifteenth day was the feast of unleavened bread. And as Acts 12:3 says "(Then were the days of unleavened bread.)" 4) 5:33-5:47

By this we can know for certain that to use the word "passover" (as many bibles do) is absolute error. It could not have been passover - the timing won't allow it. Because it was 8) 8:40-8:58

already quote "the days of unleavened bread." Unleavened bread came AFTER passover.

If as verse 3 said "(Then were the days of unleavened bread.)" the one thing it can NOT be is "passover" in verse 4.

Acts 12:4 And when he (that's Herod) had apprehended him, (that's Peter) he put him in 5) 5:51-6:29 prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; (now watch) intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.

Herod captured him, but said, "His death will have to wait. I got some celebrating to do."

The reason Herod waited until "after Easter" is - he was a pagan. Easter was HIS holiday. Get it? It was HIS feast that he did not want to miss. THAT'S the reason he put off the death of Peter.

The word Easter is derived from Astarte. An Angelo Saxon spring goddess. The pagans 9) 9:07-9:31 fertility goddess. Herod was pagan. Easter was pagan idolatry and nothing short of baal worship.

Stop believing the lie that the word "Easter" in your bible is a mistranslation. It is not. It is the perfect word. Gods word is perfect in the King James bible.

You wont know this by comparing it to Greek manuscripts. You wont know it by what Dr. whatchamacallit tells you. You know it by comparing scripture with scripture. Compare it with itself.

Simply amazing! All these many years of being taught that Peters death was delayed so that 1) 3:31-3:51 Peter could celebrate the Jewish passover. When in fact, his death was delayed so that HEROD, a PAGAN, could celebrate "Easter". HIS holiday.

Oh the power of Twistianity!

It could not have been passover. So your NIV, GNV, ESV, the NAS and even your New King 10) 9:47-10:52 James and all the other so called "better translations" - ALL got it wrong. King James however, got it right! BINGO! We have a winner!

There is real freedom in not having to rely on the Greek, and rather rely on comparing scripture with scripture for our answers. The bible is it's own dictionary. It's axiomatic. Self evident and answers itself.

When we use Gods way of studying and not our own, we learn from Leviticus 23 verses 5 6, we get an excellent education on how important it is to compare scripture to scripture and

not preacher to preacher to find our answers.

If unleavened bread starts on day 15 - and Acts 12:3 says "(Then were the days of unleavened bread)" - it is not possible for it to be "passover". I hope you're seeing this.

Every Easter morning the parrot recital continues - the ignorance marches on - even though this truth is plain. Guided by their ignorance, preachers continue to correct the King James use of the word "Easter".

The Greek manuscripts change "Easter" to "passover", and they're WRONG! If " the 11) 10:56-12:46 fourteenth day of the first month" is the "LORD's passover." then " the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread".

The Greek manuscripts that some worship, finds itself in a pickle when we compare Acts 12:4 to Leviticus 23 verses 5-6.

Easter in the King James is not a mistake. It is 100% correct. Pascha is "passover", and Easter is a pagan holiday - just believe your bible. To replace "Easter" with "Pascha" (passover) throws everything here off course. And is exactly what happens when we cross reference Acts 12:4 with Leviticus 23:5-6. And you can do it as many times as you like, but it will come out wrong every time if you depend on the Greek for your answer.

At Truth Time Radio, how do we verify the King James bible as being 100% accurate? By comparing scripture to scripture. We do NOT verify its accuracy by comparing it to the so called "original Greek manuscripts". Don't fall into that trap.

The word "Easter" is only a wrong translation, if you choose to go by the Greek manuscripts that are available today. But it is NOT a wrong translation when compared to Leviticus 23.

You see how this works? Isn't it outstanding? Leave man out and just compare scripture to scripture. Gods word to Gods word. It's not wise to appeal to the so called "original Greek" when there is no such thing. No originals on earth today. And why the need to appeal to the Greek when we have Gods words written to us in English?

When we let the Bible work as its own dictionary, we come out in front of the curve and ahead of the class every time.

2 Timothy 2:15, study, and rightly divide the word of truth. Makes all the difference.

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**Bryan Ross**

Easter is not inextricably linked to paganism. Acts 12:4 in the KJB is not referring to a pagan holiday. Please listen.

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Acts 12:4 Don't Passover Easter - YouTube

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**Aaron Taylor**

**Becky Brooks** he's a KJB corrector, always has been and always will be. He's a "Greek scholar" therefore his final authority lies in the so called "originals".

**Danny Latta** would you look who the cat drug in... oh yeah a full blown limited forger as well, almost forgot that.

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**Bryan Ross**

**Becky Brooks** The context of Acts 12 is Peter and the Little Flock. The text never says that Herod was celebrating anything. His actions with respect to James & Peter were to please the apostate Jewish leadership. The Passover included the Feast of Unleavened bread as the following scriptures plainly attest.

Ezekiel 45:21

Matt. 26:17-18

Luke 22:1

These verses include Passover and Unleavened Bread together.

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**Danny Latta**

**Bryan Ross** it's safe to say you aren't a Kjb believer 2:21 seconds into your video and you went outside of the Bible..

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**Bryan Ross**

**Danny Latta** Glad you could make that judgment after 2:21 of 3 hours worth of teaching.

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**Danny Latta**

**Bryan Ross** not worth waisting an hour of my time to hear your garbage sir.. sorry but that's fact..

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1) To the left is my first comment on Facebook.

2) To the left is Aaron Taylor's first comment. Note the personal attacks and *ad hominem* arguments. Tags Danny Latta.

3) My second post asking the participants of the discussion to consider some other relevant verses that were omitted from TTR's article and therefore from Taylor's video.

4) Having been summoned, Danny Latta showed up and dismissed over 3 hours of teaching on the topic as "garbage" after only watching 2 min. 21 sec. of lesson 1. And this while supporting a plagiarised video.



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### Unanswered & Unaddressed Issues

The following is a summary of the points I endeavored to make in the Facebook discussion on this topic. None of these points received any substantive interaction and were summarily dismissed by Taylor and Latta.

- 1) The English word "Easter" is not inextricably linked to paganism.
- 2) If the King James translators thought that "Easter" was an exclusively pagan word why did they include a table in the front of the 1611 to help the reader "Find Easter for ever?"
- 3) Acts 12:4 in the KJB is not referring to a pagan holiday. The text of Acts 12 never says that Herod was celebrating anything. Rather his actions were aimed at pleasing the apostate Jewish leadership that had long sought to persecute the 12 Apostles and Jewish Kingdom Church i.e., the Little Flock.
- 4) The English word "Easter" was used for over 500 years to refer to the Jewish feast before Tyndale coined the term "Passover" in 1530 while working on his Pentateuch.
- 5) The following verses were omitted from both TTR's article and Taylor's video connecting the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread together as a "feast of seven days" (Ez. 45:21) and explicitly call "the feast of unleavened bread" "the Passover" (Luke 22:1):
  - Ezekiel 45:21—In the first *month*, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten.
  - Matthew 26:17-18—Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover? 18) And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples.
  - Luke 22:1—Now the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover.
- 6) The book of Acts is part 2 of a two-part "treatise" (Acts 1:1) addressed to Theophilus. As such Luke 22:1 connects with Acts 12:3-4 to help Theophilus understand when Peter was arrested by Herod.

None of these points have been addressed within either TTR's blog entry or Taylor's video. All lovers of the truth should demand answers to these valid points.