



LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH

"Helping to keep homes and lives from becoming shipwrecked."

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Dear Bro. Kalapp,

I am also sorry about you having to cancel your preaching engagement at our missions conference. The biggest sorrow is for the reason that you cancelled it. You have been one of my heroes and mentors. We have had many good talks and you have helped me so much. I have tried to be teachable and you have always been so open and honest. What is going on with this situation is so different than you. I understand your plight and caught between the mission teams you love, and the Bible, but the foundation of the Word of God should trump anything.

If I would have asked you 5-10 years ago, "What would you ever do if your pastor said he didn't believe the KJB was inspired?" You would have said, "I would leave and probably 'jackslap' him on the way out." (You like that word 'jackslap' in your preaching.) Your pastor has said that the KJB is not inspired. Your answer was, "He still believes it is preserved." If I asked you then, "What if your pastor ever said the KJB isn't preserved and is only preserved in the originals?" Your answer would be the same, "I would leave." Your pastor has said that. Your answer was, "He still uses the KJB and believes it is perfect." If I asked you then, "What would you do if your pastor said the KJB is 'perfect' meaning complete, but is not inerrant?" Your answer would be the same, "I would leave." Your pastor has said that. The last time we talked, you had a problem with the sermon he preached on 3/4/09, but since he is still "using" the KJB, then it is ok. You told me that if he ever uses any other version, then you would be gone. I am sorry, but by your track record of changing your position, I do not think you stand on principles anymore, but live more by expedience. I hate to say that because I honestly love you, and you know that. When you preached in our church while I was on a mission's trip to Nigeria, you said you believe the KJB is inspired and know Bro. Schaap does too. Now you know that is not true. I wonder how much we really believe something if we are not willing to take a stand for it. It is one thing to say it; it is another thing to live it.

I do believe that down in your heart you still have your integrity. I believe in you, that one day, you will realize that even you have changed and not for the good. I pray you will, "come to yourself" and take a stand for the "old black book."

Always your friend,

Dave Baker
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