

## JAMES 5:16

### NIV Blunders - Again

#### James 5:16 - KJV

Confess *your* faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

#### James 5:16 - NIV

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

Notice the changes to James 5:16 made by the NIV. According to the NIV **All** the prayers of a Christian (righteous man) **ARE** powerful and effective. This is nonsense, and completely

contradicts other portions of the Word of God, such as 1 Peter 3:7. "Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with *them* according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered." Here we see that the prayers of a Christian husband can be hindered by a bad relationship with his wife. In Psalm 66:18 we read, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear *me*:" Now we see that the Christian who refuses to confess a known sin can not have an effective prayer life.

The Authorized King James Bible has translated this verse correctly. According to the KJV **ONLY** those prayers made by Christians that are effectual and

fervent "availeth much."

Does it matter which supposed version of the Bible Christians use? Yes it does! The NIV and the KJV are, in this instance at least, completely at odds with each other. One is right, and the other is wrong. For myself, I stand by the KJV as being the best translation (using the best literal methods) of the best manuscripts. (Textus Receptus)

Notice James 5:17, "Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months." Here we are given an example of the kind of "fervent" or "earnest" prayer spoken of in verse 16.

Yes, the KJV got it right, and the NIV blundered ... *again*.



Mr. Miser

There was a man who had worked all of his life and had saved all of his money. He was a real miser. He loved money more than just about anything.

Just before he died, he said to his wife, "Now listen. When I die, I want you to take all my money and put it in the casket with me because I want to take my money to the after life with me." So, he got his wife to promise him with all of her heart that when he died, she would put all of the money in the casket with him.

Well, he died. He was stretched out in the casket; his wife was sitting

there in black and her best friend sitting next to her. When they finished the ceremony, just before the undertakers got ready to close the casket, the wife said, "Wait just a minute." She had a box with her. She came over with the box and put it in the casket. Then the undertakers locked the casket down, and they rolled it away.

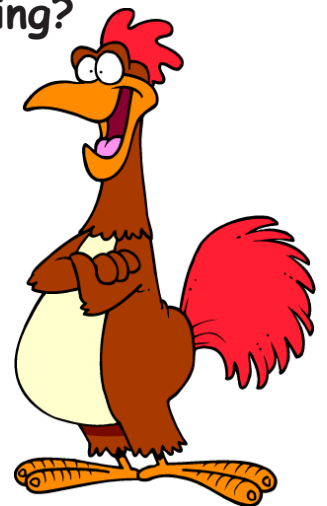
Her friend said, "Girl, I know you weren't fool enough to put all that money in there with that man!"

The wife said, "Listen, I'm a God fearing woman. I can't tell a lie. I promised him that I was going to put that money in that casket with him."

"You mean to tell me you put ALL that money in the casket with him?"

"I sure did," said the wife. "I wrote him a check."

Why does a rooster crow early in the morning?



Because he can't get in a word after the hens get up.