



BULLSEYE!
ACCURATE BIBLE KNOWLEDGE!
"I'VE FOUND A MISTAKE"
(Part 1 of 3)

QUESTION: "The Bible is wrong – it's Merodachbaladan in one spot but Berodachbaladan in another!"

ANSWER: There is no mistake. They are two names for the same man.

EXPLANATION:

[2 Kings 20:12](#)

At that time **Berodachbaladan**, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present unto Hezekiah: for he had heard that Hezekiah had been sick.

[Isaiah 39:1](#)

At that time **Merodachbaladan**, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present to Hezekiah: for he had heard that he had been sick, and was recovered.

Depending upon their **duties, positions** and **status**, kings, and indeed ordinary men, were known by various names.

Furthermore, if being **used by God for a particular purpose**, as in this case Berodachbaladan, God would indicate in the scriptures that this was the case.

The names **Berodachbaladan** and **Merodachbaladan** occur only once in the Bible.

Now **Berodachbaladan** was his **normal** name, but the name change to **Merodachbaladan** shows he is being used as an **instrument of judgment** upon King Hezekiah, and indeed, Israel, with enormous consequences to follow.

The explanation is as follows:

In Isaiah chapters 38 and 39, we can piece together the following story. Hezekiah was sick unto death and Isaiah the prophet tells him that he will die.

Instead of Hezekiah accepting God's will of death, he starts to bleat, wail, cry and carry on like a spoilt child and tell God how good he has been. He won't accept God's verdict.

But God knows better because if he lets Hezekiah live, he will give birth to Manasseh (which he does) - the most bloodthirsty and cruel king (2Kings 21) in Israel's history.

But God relents and gives him fifteen years to live. Instead of Hezekiah saying "Thank you LORD" he petulantly says "Well how do I know this will be true God." God then returns the sun ten degrees. That is one massive miracle. I mean God could easily have done a **minor** miracle and said "Look up in the sky, I'll make those birds fly backwards" or "Look at your finger - I'll make it go bright white as in leprosy like Miriam."

However God says "Because you have done this, Israel will go into captivity into Babylon in about 100 years time." A massive miracle matched by massive destructive consequences!

Now here's the point of it all. God sends **Berodachbaladan** with the name of **Merodachbaladan** to try Hezekiah, who promptly shows off all the treasures of the temple to him. God says "Bad move Hezekiah! You should not have done that!"

Yes, **Berodachbaladan** is his normal name but God calls him **Merodachbaladan** (judgment name) **deliberately** as he is being used to **judge what's on Hezekiah's heart**.

Hezekiah is probably running around the countryside boasting his head off to all and sundry saying the following ...

1. "God said I was going to die"
2. "But I made God change his mind."
3. Then I said "Well God, I'm not sure you are telling the truth. Give me a sign!"
4. "Then God did this massive miracle and changed the shadow of the sun by ten degrees backwards! Yes! Not forwards but God reverses his laws of gravity and everything just for me. I must be something special!"
5. "I'm invincible, I'm bullet proof! You can't kill me! I'm alive for the next fifteen years!"

The table below shows the two periods of sickness and recovery.

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The first time Hezekiah is more humble so **Berodachbaladan**, as the name infers, is not being used as an instrument to try Hezekiah's heart as such.

The second time **Berodachbaladan** shows up, he is **Merodachbaladan - God's instrument of judgment**.

Get the picture? So God says "You can live for another fifteen years but you'll give birth to the worst king ever and then I'm sending you off to Babylon as captives in about 100 years time. How about that!?"

Dear Reader, when you hear someone say "I have found a mistake in the King James Bible" you will know they **either are ignorant** in the true sense of the word or with their will, they choose to be **willingly ignorant**, and there is no amount of true, correct or factual information that can change their mind. You could dump a semi-trailer load of information on their front lawn, but they will not be convinced.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

Go and study to show yourself APPROVED UNTO GOD, and study to find the answer why there isn't a mistake. As the scriptures say God rewards those that diligently seek him ([Heb 11:6](#)). There are **no mistakes** in the King James Bible.

Look Dear Reader, most people have already made up their mind that there are mistakes in the King James Bible, and they will not let facts get in the way of their opinion.

When you hear someone say "I've found a mistake...". Do your best to open their eyes a couple of times ... then just shake your head, walk away and pray that God will open their eyes.

As someone said a long time ago "People's ignorance is their most prized possession, and they will burn down their own house to protect it."

It's like you say to people "Get saved or you will burn in hell."

Their response is "Well, I don't believe it. That's just your opinion!"

The purpose of God's 'mistakes' in the King James Bible are two-fold:

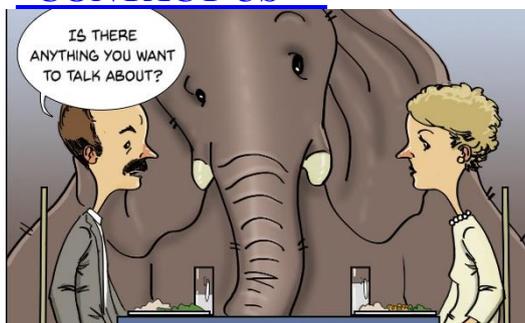
1. A **trap** and a snare for the Bible Corrector, Critic and Mocker
2. A **reward** for those that will diligently seek him ([Heb 11:6](#))

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