

Fingerprints in the Scripture:

The King James Bible Problem in the Book of Mormon

The Book of Mormon, presented as an ancient record, contains large sections identical to the 1811 King James Version (KJV), including specific KJV errors and additions, challenging its claimed origins.

THE EVIDENCE: KJV "FINGERPRINTS" IN THE BOOK OF MORMON

KJV Mistranslations Are Copied Directly

Modern Translation (Correct)

...against all the beautiful craft.



Modern Translation (Correct)

King James Version (Error) & Book of Mormon (Error Copied)

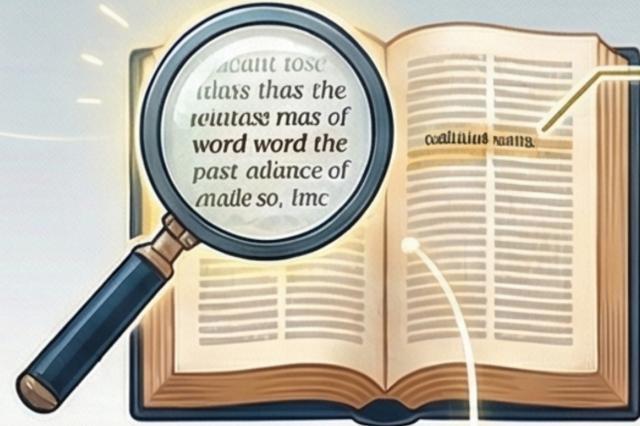
...upon all the pleasant pictures. (2 Nephi 12:16).



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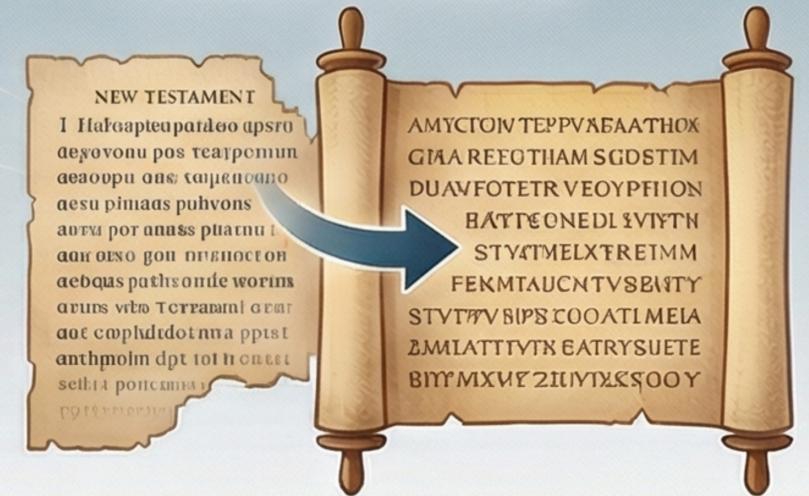
Errors made by 17th-century KJV translators appear verbatim in the Book of Mormon (e.g., Isaiah 2:16).

Italicized Words Reveal the Source Text



30% of Textual Changes are related to the 3.6% of KJV words that were italicized, showing a disproportionate focus. Joseph Smith's changes focused heavily on italicized words, which were added by KJV translators for clarity.

Anachronistic New Testament Material is Included



The Book of Mormon contains New Testament passages that were late additions and not in original manuscripts.

THE CONTRADICTION: WHY THE "FINGERPRINTS" MATTER



The "Tight Translation" Problem

Witnesses claimed exact words appeared on a stone, which couldn't be changed until transcribed correctly.



This Narrative Conflicts with the Evidence

The KJV errors suggest Joseph Smith copied and revised from a physical Bible, not a divine instrument.



"The theology of the Book of Mormon is very much 19th-century theology."

– Richard Bushman, LDS Historian and Author of *Rough Stone Rolling*