

100 King James Phrases in 3 minutes

Youtube video: <http://youtu.be/xQVbBjgBS6A>

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The words to the Youtube video with references are below...

God forbid[1] the powers that be[2]
Forgetting the begetting[3] of the KJV.
It's put words in our mouth[4] for 400 years,
Turned the world upside down[5], so here's my three cheers.

As a sign of the times[6], I'll sing its praises,[7]
Shout from the rooftops[8] one hundred phrases.
Miserable comforters[9] may cast aspersions,
I'll do this in remembrance[10] of the Authorised Version.

Like a fiery dart[11] I made haste[12] to start
Then fell by the way side,[13] was cut to the heart[14]
In the beginning,[15] it seemed easy game
How the mighty are fallen,[16] I was put to shame.[17]

This labour of love[18] turned a worldly care.[19]
My dream became my cross to bear.[20]
I wished to wash my hands[21] of the suff'ring,
To find a scapegoat,[22] pay a peace off'ring[23]

The years of plenty[24] gave way to famine,
I counteth the cost,[25] had to re-examine.
I'd girded my loins[26] then bitten the dust[27]
Put my house in order[28] as needs must.[29]

I'd led myself like a lamb to slaughter[30]
Success was as likely as wine from water[31]
With this thorn in my flesh,[32] crying "Woe is me"[33]
With weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth.[34]

I got carried away,[35] knew not what I did.[36]
Twas a task that mastered,[37] a bottomless pit.[38]
Beside myself[39] sore tempted to chuck it,
My tally remained just a drop in the bucket.[40]

Twas a beast of burden,[41] grievously borne.[42]
I needed shelter from the storm.[43]
I could not find what I did seek,[44]
The Spirit was willing, the flesh was weak.[45]

It's written,[46] "Pride goeth before a fall"[47]
And for me that writing was on the wall.[48]
At my wits end,[49] thought none could save it,
This task was Goliath and I was David.[50]

The time was short,[51] my days were numbered,[52]
This stumbling block[53] had me encumbered.
The kingdom of God may come with great power,[54]
My grapes had become decidedly sour.[55]

The sweat of my brow[56] began to glisten
He that hath ears, let him listen[57]
There's a time for everything,[58] but first check
That it's not a millstone around your neck.[59]

I fear it's too long to fight the good fights[60]
If it takes 40 days and 40 nights.[61]
Tis vanity of vanities,[62] but I should have figured
Doesn't it say "No rest for the wicked"?[63]

In sackcloth and ashes,[64] and laughed to scorn,[65]
I wished to high heaven[66] I'd never been born.[67]
I was stiff-necked,[68] hard hearted[69] with feet of clay,[70]
Awaiting my own private judgement day.[71]

Then before I gave up the ghost[72]
The Lord appeared with heavenly host.[73]
As fast as you can say "Let there be light"[74]
In the twinkling of an eye,[75] like a thief in the night.[76]

Twas my road to Damascus,[77] my burning bush,[78]
For this doubting Thomas[79] needed a push
Behold the Man![80] From heaven He came

The Word become flesh,[81] one and the same.[82]

With tender mercies[83] He casteth out fear,[84]
And said unto me, “Son be of good cheer![85]
I suffer fools gladly,[86] and that’s where you’re standing
This task indeed passeth your own understanding.[87]

“You’re sore brokenhearted[88] and none too smart
But clearly a man after my own heart.[89]
Dearly beloved,[90] to me you belong
And I will grant you to speak in tongues.”[91]

So the truth set me free,[92] Alleluia,[93] Amen.[94]
Out of the mouth of this babe[95] who’d been born again[96]
Phrases were fruitful and multiplied[97] further
The Lord as my helper,[98] my cup runneth over.[99]

O me of little faith,[100] I didn’t fall short.[101]
Just look at what my God hath wrought![102]
By the skin of my teeth?[103] No we’ve done it in style
And even gone the extra mile.[104]

So long live the King[105] – Jesus we mean
But thank God[106] King Jimmy has sown the seed.[107]
So verily, verily we say unto thee[108]
Happy birthday KJV

[1] Romans 6:2

[2] Romans 13:1

[3] Matthew 1:1-17

[4] Exodus 4:15

[5] Acts 17:6

[6] Matthew 16:3

[7] Psalm 47:6

[8] Luke 12:3

- [9] Job 16:2
- [10] Luke 22:19
- [11] Ephesians 6:16
- [12] Exodus 34:8
- [13] Matthew 13:4
- [14] Acts 5:33
- [15] Genesis 1:1
- [16] 2 Samuel 1:19
- [17] Psalm 35:4
- [18] 1 Thessalonians 1:3
- [19] Mark 4:19
- [20] Luke 14:27
- [21] Matthew 27:24
- [22] Leviticus 16:8
- [23] Leviticus 3:1
- [24] Genesis 41:29
- [25] Luke 14:28
- [26] Job 38:3
- [27] Psalm 72:9
- [28] Isaiah 38:1
- [29] E.g. John 4:4
- [30] Isaiah 53:7

- [31] John 2:1-11
- [32] 2 Corinthians 12:7
- [33] Isaiah 6:5
- [34] E.g. Matthew 8:12
- [35] E.g. 2 Kings 17:23
- [36] Luke 23:34
- [37] Exodus 1:11
- [38] Revelation 9:1
- [39] Acts 26:24
- [40] Isaiah 40:15
- [41] Isaiah 46:1
- [42] Matthew 23:4
- [43] Isaiah 25:4
- [44] Matthew 7:7
- [45] Matthew 26:41
- [46] Matthew 4:4
- [47] Proverbs 16:18
- [48] Daniel 5:5
- [49] Psalm 107:27
- [50] 1 Samuel 17
- [51] 1 Corinthians 7:29
- [52] Psalm 90:12

[53] 1 Corinthians 1:23

[54] Mark 9:1

[55] Ezekiel 18:2

[56] Genesis 3:19

[57] Matthew 11:15

[58] Ecclesiastes 3:1

[59] Matthew 18:6

[60] 1 Timothy 6:12

[61] Genesis 7:4

[62] Ecclesiastes 1:2

[63] Isaiah 48:22

[64] Daniel 9:3

[65] Psalm 22:7

[66] Job 11:8

[67] Job 3:3

[68] Exodus 32:9

[69] Ezekiel 3:7

[70] Daniel 2:42

[71] Matthew 10:15

[72] Genesis 25:8

[73] Luke 2:13

[74] Genesis 1:3

[75] 1 Corinthians 15:52

[76] 2 Peter 3:10

[77] Acts 9:3

[78] Exodus 3:2

[79] John 20:25

[80] John 19:5

[81] John 1:14

[82] Genesis 41:25

[83] Psalm 25:6

[84] 1 John 4:18

[85] Matthew 9:2

[86] 2 Corinthians 11:19

[87] Philippians 4:7

[88] Luke 4:18

[89] 1 Samuel 13:14

[90] Romans 12:19

[91] Acts 2:4

[92] John 8:32

[93] Revelation 19:1

[94] Revelation 22:21

[95] Psalm 8:2

[96] John 3:3

[97] Genesis 1:22

[98] Hebrews 13:6

[99] Psalm 23:5

[100] Matthew 6:30

[101] Romans 3:23

[102] Numbers 23:23

[103] Job 19:20

[104] Matthew 5:41

[105] 1 Samuel 10:24

[106] Romans 7:25

[107] Matthew 13:24

[108] John 3:3

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