

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS - #4

1. How would you explain to someone that our modern-day copies of the Bible have been faithfully preserved over the centuries?
2. When were chapters and verses added to the text of the Bible?
3. What were some of the earliest English translations of the Bible?
4. When were the Dead Sea Scrolls found and where were they found?
5. When was it that Bibles began to standardize the chapter and verse system?
6. Why did Alexander Campbell and other notable voices of the early days of the restoration movement feel the need to produce a new translation of the Bible?
7. To what extent are translations of the Bible inspired?
8. What is the difference in translation philosophy between a paraphrase translation and a word-for-word translation? Can you give examples of both?
9. What translation of the Bible would you recommend to someone who has never seriously studied the Bible before?
10. Is there such a thing as a perfect translation of the Bible?