

## Why the King James? Part 4 - Why the Apocrypha Was Dropped

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### Apocryphal Books in the 1611 KJV

1 Esdras, 2 Esdras, Tobit, Judith, The rest of Esther, Wisdom, Ecclesiasticus (Sirach), Baruch, Epistle of Jeremiah (addition to Baruch), The song of three Children, The Story of Susanna (chapter 13 of Daniel), The Idol Baal and the Dragon (chapter 14 of Daniel), The Prayer of Manasseh, 1 Maccabees, 2 Maccabees.

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**An example of what was added to Esther.** In our current King James Bible Esther ends with Esther 10:3 but in the 1611 version they added on 10:4-13 and 11:1:

(10:4) Then Mardocheus saide, God hath done these things.

(10:5) For I remember a dreame, which I sawe concerning these matters, and nothing thereof hath failed.

(10:6) A little fountaine became a ruer, and there was light, & the Sunne, and much water: this ruer is Esther, who the King married and made Queene.

(10:7) And the two Dragons are I, and Aman.

(10:8) And the nations were those that were assembled, to destroy the name of the lewes.

(10:9) And my nation is this Israel, which cryed to God and were saued: for the Lord hath saued his people, and the Lord hath deliuered vs from all those euils, and God hath wrought signes, and great wonders, which haue not bin done among the Gentiles.

(10:10) Therefore hath hee made two lots, one for the people of God, and another for all the Gentiles.

(10:11) And these two lots came at the houre, and time, and day of iudgement before God amongst all nations.

(10:12) So God remembred his people, and iustified his inheritance.

(10:13) Therefore those dayes shall be vnto them in the moneth Adar, the foureteenth and fifteenth day of the same moneth, with an assembly, and ioy, and with gladnesse, before God, according to the generations for euer among his people.

(11:1) In the fourth yeere of the raigne of Ptolomeus, and Cleopatra, Dositheus, who said hee was a priest and Leuite, and Ptolomeus his sonne brought this Epistle of Phurim, which they said was the same, and that Lysimachus the sonne of Ptolomeus, that was in Ierusalem, had interpreted it.

### Additions to the Book of Daniel:

our current King James ends at Daniel 12:13 but the 1611 KJV adds on Chapter 13:1-64 which is also called the **Book of Susannah**. That book is about a beautiful married woman that two peeping toms build up their lust for her and try to convince her to have sexual relationships with them and they told her if she didn't that they would lie against her and say that they saw her sleeping with a young man that was not her husband. She refused them and they accused her and put her on trial but in the middle of the trial the Holy Spirit entered into Daniel who rose up and accused the two men of lying. Then he interrogated them and declared them guilty and all of the people killed the two men.

### The History of Susanna [in Daniel]

Set apart from the beginning of Daniel, because it is not in the Hebrew

{1:1} There dwelt a man in Babylon, called Joacim:

{1:2} And he took a wife, whose name was Susanna, the daughter of Chelcias, a very fair woman, and one that feared the Lord.

{1:3} Her parents also were righteous, and taught their daughter according to the law of Moses.

{1:4} Now Joacim was a great rich man, and had a fair garden joining unto his house: and to him resorted the Jews; because he was more honourable than all others.

{1:5} The same year were appointed two of the ancients of the people to be judges, such as the Lord spake of, that wickedness came from Babylon from ancient judges, who seemed to govern the people.

{1:6} These kept much at Joacim's house: and all that had any suits in law came unto them.

{1:7} Now when the people departed away at noon, Susanna went into her husband's garden to walk.

{1:8} And the two elders saw her going in every day, and walking; so that their lust was inflamed toward her.

{1:9} And they perverted their own mind, and turned away their eyes, that they might not look unto heaven, nor remember just judgments.

{1:10} And albeit they both were wounded with her love, yet durst not one shew another his grief.

{1:11} For they were ashamed to declare their lust, that they desired to have to do with her.

{1:12} Yet they watched diligently from day to day to see her.

{1:13} And the one said to the other, Let us now go home: for it is dinner time.

{1:14} So when they were gone out, they parted the one from the other, and turning back again they came to the same place; and after that they had asked one another the cause, they acknowledged their lust: then appointed they a time both together, when they might find her alone.

{1:15} And it fell out, as they watched a fit time, she went in as before with two maids only, and she was desirous to wash herself in the garden: for it was hot.

{1:16} And there was no body there save the two elders, that had hid themselves, and watched her.

**Also added to Daniel is Chapter 14:1-42** which is the *Book of Bel and Dragon*, which is The History of the Destruction of Baal and the Dragon. It starts out with a King Astyages and Daniel standing in front of an idol to Baal. The King asks Daniel why he doesn't bow to it and Daniel tells him because he isn't real. The King asks him then how does Baal consume all of the food that we offer to him? So they come up with a plan to test how the food sacrifices are being consumed. They put the food in the room with the idol and the King puts his seal on the door so it cannot be broken. They go back the next day and the food is gone. But Daniel had taken ashes and spread them out on the floor of the room and it was revealed that the priests and their families were sneaking up into the room through a trap door in the floor and eating the food. - There's more about a brass dragon that the King was worshiping that Daniel cut the head off of and was thrown into a lions den for a week.

## 1. Roman Catholic Purgatory and prayers for the dead

### 2 Maccabees 12:43-45:

**43** And when he had made a gathering throughout the company to the sum of two thousand drachms of silver, he sent it to Jerusalem to offer a sin offering, doing therein very well and honestly, in that he was mindful of the resurrection:

**44** For if he had not hoped that they that were slain should have risen again, it had been superfluous and vain to pray for the dead.

**45** And also in that he perceived that there was great favour laid up for those that died godly, it was an holy and good thought. Whereupon he made a reconciliation for the dead, that they might be delivered from sin.

## 2. Offerings for the dead and for sins

### Tobit 12:8-9:

**8** Prayer is good with fasting and alms and righteousness. A little with righteousness is better than much with unrighteousness. It is better to give alms than to lay up gold:

**9** For alms doth deliver from death, and shall purge away all sin. Those that exercise alms and righteousness shall be filled with life:

## 3. The Apocrypha also teaches making magic potions:

### Tobit 6:1-8:

**1** And as they went on their journey, they came in the evening to the river Tigris, and they lodged there.

**2** And when the young man went down to wash himself, a fish leaped out of the river, and would have devoured him.

**3** Then the angel said unto him, Take the fish. And the young man laid hold of the fish, and drew it to land.

**4** To whom the angel said, Open the fish, and take the heart and the liver and the gall, and put them up safely.

**5** So the young man did as the angel commanded him; and when they had roasted the fish, they did eat it: then they both went on their way, till they drew near to Ecbatane.

**6** Then the young man said to the angel, Brother Azarias, to what use is the heart and the liver and the gal of the fish?

**7** And he said unto him, Touching the heart and the liver, if a devil or an evil spirit trouble any, we must make a smoke thereof before the man or the woman, and the party shall be no more vexed.

**8** As for the gall, it is good to anoint a man that hath whiteness in his eyes, and he shall be healed.

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