



# The ...U,V and W's of R/D

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# Part 8: Preterism

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Last time





# A mystery

- KJV 1 Corinthians 15:51 Behold, **I shew you a mystery**;  
We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
- TBT 1 Corinthians 15:51 ἰδοὺ, **μυστήριον ὑμῖν λέγω**·  
Πάντες μὲν οὐ κοιμηθησόμεθα, πάντες δὲ ἀλλαγησόμεθα,

# To change (one form to another)

- ▶ KJV Acts 6:14 For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Moses delivered us.
- ▶ KJV Romans 1:23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.
- ▶ KJV 1 Corinthians 15:51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
- ▶ KJV 1 Corinthians 15:52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
- ▶ KJV Galatians 4:20 I desire to be present with you now, and to change my voice; for I stand in doubt of you.
- ▶ KJV Hebrews 1:12 And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

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- ➔ <sup>TBT</sup> **2 Thessalonians 2:7** τὸ γὰρ μυστήριον ἤδη ἐνεργεῖται τῆς ἀνομίας· μόνον ὁ κατέχων ἄρτι, ἕως ἐκ μέσου γένηται.

## ἐνεργέω, ἐνέργω; 1 aorist ἐνήργησα;

- KJV Romans 7:5 For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death.<sup>1</sup>
- TBT Romans 7:5 ὅτε γὰρ ἡμεν ἐν τῇ σαρκί, τὰ παθήματα τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν τὰ διὰ τοῦ νόμου ἐνηργεῖτο ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν εἰς τὸ καρποφορῆσαι τῷ θανάτῳ.

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# κατέχων verb participle present active nominative masculine singular from **κατέχω**

- Matt. 21:38\*
- Lk. 4:42\*
- Lk. 8:15\*
- Lk. 14:9\*
- Jn. 5:4\*
- Acts 27:40\*
- Rom. 1:18\*
- Rom. 7:6\*
- 1 Co. 7:30\*
- 1 Co. 11:2\*
- 1 Co. 15:2\*
- 2 Co. 6:10\*
- 1 Thess. 5:21\*
- 2 Thess. 2:6-7\*
- Phlm. 1:13\*
- Heb. 3:6\*0, 14\*
- Heb. 10:23\*



## Suggestive usage: “Hold Fast”

➤<sup>KJV</sup> **1 Thessalonians 5:21** Prove all things; **hold fast** that which is good.

➤<sup>TBT</sup> **1 Thessalonians 5:21** πάντα δοκιμάζετε · τὸ καλὸν **κατέχετε** ·

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- <sup>KJV</sup> **Romans 7:6** But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein **we were held**; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not *in* the oldness of the letter.<sup>1</sup>
  - <sup>TBT</sup> **Romans 7:6** νυνὶ δὲ κατηργήθημεν ἀπὸ τοῦ νόμου, ἀποθανόντος ἐν ᾧ **κατειχόμεθα**, ὥστε δουλεύειν ἡμᾶς ἐν καινότητι πνεύματος, καὶ οὐ παλαιότητι γράμματος.

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- <sup>KJV</sup> **Hebrews 3:6** But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we **hold fast** the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.
  - <sup>TBT</sup> **Hebrews 3:6** Χριστὸς δὲ ὡς υἱὸς ἐπὶ τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ· οὐ οἶκός ἐσμεν ἡμεῖς, ἐάνπερ τὴν παρρησίαν καὶ τὸ καύχημα τῆς ἐλπίδος μέχρι τέλους βεβαίαν **κατάσχωμεν**.

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- <sup>KJV</sup> **Hebrews 3:14** For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;
  - <sup>TBT</sup> **Hebrews 3:14** μέτοχοι γὰρ γεγονάμεν τοῦ Χριστοῦ, ἔάνπερ τὴν ἀρχὴν τῆς ὑποστάσεως μέχρι τέλους βεβαίαν κατάσχωμεν·

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- <sup>KJV</sup> **Hebrews 10:23** **Let us hold fast** the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for he *is* faithful that promised;)
  - <sup>TBT</sup> **Hebrews 10:23** **κατέχωμεν** τὴν ὁμολογίαν τῆς ἐλπίδος ἀκλινῆ, πιστὸς γὰρ ὁ ἐπαγγειλάμενος·

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# In the midst

- <sup>KJV</sup> **Philippians 2:15** That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;<sup>1</sup>
- <sup>TBT</sup> **Philippians 2:15** ἵνα γένησθε ἄμεμπτοι καὶ ἀκέραιοι, τέκνα Θεοῦ ἀμώμητα ἐν μέσῳ γενεᾶς σκολιᾶς καὶ διεστραμμένης, ἐν οἷς φαίνεσθε ὡς φωστῆρες ἐν κόσμῳ,



# The Abyss

- ▶ KJV Revelation 9:1 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit. 2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit. (Rev 9:1 KJV)

# Today

- <sup>6</sup> And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.<sup>1</sup>
- <sup>7</sup> For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth *will let*, until he be taken out of the way. (2Th 2:6-7 KJV)

## Translation – paraphrase - Interpretation:

- <sup>6</sup> καὶ νῦν τὸ κατέχον οἴδατε, εἰς τὸ ἀποκαλυφθῆναι αὐτὸν ἐν τῷ ἑαυτοῦ καιρῷ.
- And NOW you (the Thessalonians) know who (Satan) is the restrainer (the one who is preventing the anti-Christ from being revealed now) – he is doing this in order that this same lawless one be revealed (who is currently in the abyss) at just the right time.
- <sup>7</sup> τὸ γὰρ μυστήριον ἤδη ἐνεργεῖται τῆς ἀνομίας· μόνον ὁ κατέχων ἄρτι, ἕως ἐκ μέσου γένηται. (2Th 2:6-7 TBT)
- For the mystery of lawlessness is working already and it is only Satan's timetable that is steadfastly withholding antichrist's appearance until Satan be removed from the aerial regions by God's judgment on him and his angels.

# Mystery hidden and explained

- ▶ 44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.
  - ▶ 45 And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.1 (Dan 11:44-45 KJV)
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- ▶ <sup>8</sup> And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:
  - ▶ <sup>9</sup> *Even him*, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,
  - ▶ <sup>10</sup> And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. (2Th 2:8-10 KJV)

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Another source of information about what books influenced the thinking of the American founding generation are the lists of recommended books they themselves drew up. Both John Adams and Thomas Jefferson drew up a list of key texts in letters they wrote and, in the case of Jefferson, he actually donated his personal library (twice) to Congress to create the beginnings of what is now the Library of Congress and also drew up a catalog for the University of Virginia library.

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1. St. Paul
2. Montesquieu
3. Sir William Blackstone
4. John Locke
5. David Hume
6. Plutarch
7. Cesare Beccaria
8. John Trenchard and Thomas Gordon
9. Delolme
10. Samuel Pufendorf
11. Sir Edward Coke
12. Cicero
13. Thomas Hobbes
14. William Robertson
15. Hugo Grotius
16. Jean-Jacques Rousseau
17. Lord Bolingbroke
18. Francis Bacon
19. Richard Price
20. William Shakespeare
21. Livy
22. Alexander Pope
23. John Milton
24. Tacitus

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