

# THE INSPIRED TRANSLATION

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# HOLY SCRIPTURES.

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WE herewith cite the reader to revised, corrected, and supplied texts, found in The Holy Scriptures, as given by Joseph Smith the Seer. We have sought to select the most important ones, but it is probable some such have escaped our search. All who carefully and impartially compare these texts with the various versions extant, will readily discover their superiority in respect to morals, doctrine, harmony of facts, perspicuity of statement, and can but admit that herein a needed and important work has been accomplished. Mr. Mitchell, of the firm of J. B. Lippincott & Co., who printed and bound the first edition, when reading the advanced sheets, also other competent judges, said to the writer that Joseph Smith, by his translation of the Bible, conferred a great benefit upon society in improving its moral sentiments and tendencies. Such we apprehend will be the opinion of all competent critics who examine the work without prejudice, comparing it with the numerous other versions.

This translation, whether viewed as a work done by the inspiration of God, or by human skill and wisdom, reflects great honor upon the Seer, because of its moral excellence, its doctrinal unity, and the manner in which it clears many texts of doubtful meaning and application.

In conclusion, we respectfully suggest that the reader compare the texts cited directly with the various versions at hand, and carefully note the changes.

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