

PECCABILITY VS Impeccability

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I understand the issues of peccability (capable of sinning): Impeccability, perfection, faultlessness, purity the opposite of this is imperfection, faultiness, inadequacy, limitation, failure, defectiveness; etc.

The Lord Jesus Christ was BOTH 100% man and 100% God. He cannot be separated from Himself to be just 100% man and be on the side of imperfection, faultiness, inadequacy, limitation, failure or defectiveness. The Lord Jesus Christ is above that because He is 100% God at the same time.

The issue is that the Lord Jesus Christ was HOLY from childhood:

Acts 4:27, "For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,"

Acts 4:30, "By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus."

He not only would not sin; it was impossible for Him to sin. This is why I do not believe that he COULD have sinned. 1 John 5:17, "All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death."

IF "All unrighteousness is sin..." and IF the Lord Jesus Christ COULD have sinned how would He be righteous being in affect a sinner by lust? James 1:14-15, "But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."

Romans 10:3, "For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth."

1 John 2:1-2, "My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world."

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The peccability verse: Hebrews 4:15, "For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin." Is in favor of impeccability because it does not say "...he did not sin." Or "...he chose not to sin." It said "...yes WITHOUT sin." There was no lust in him for Satan to tempt him with even though he tried. The attempt was not without reason or purpose. And yes Satan was trying to make the Lord Jesus Christ SIN. Here is the issue. Satan thought that the Lord Jesus Christ was packable and COULD sin. He did not know who he was dealing with!

1 Corinthians 2:6-8, “Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.”

For impeccability: Hebrews 6:18, “That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:”

Notice that it is IMPOSSIBLE for God to lie, right? Is the Lord Jesus Christ God?

John 1:1-2, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God.” and John 1:14, “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.”

Then it is impossible for Him to lie! Impossibility dictates impeccability.

Hebrews 5:5-10, “So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee. As he saith also in another place, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec. Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared; Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him; Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.”

Hebrews 7:1-3, “For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him; To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace; Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.”

The Lord Jesus Christ was BORN this King – Priest – Prophet: he was born first of righteousness and then of peace. He could not make peace by His death if he was not righteous; and by that death He made peace with God for us. He was HOLY, RIGHTEOUS, SINLESS, and IMPECCABLE! His victory was sure before He was incarnated!

IF He could have sinned; but didn't; then how do you know that he COULD have sinned? I know he couldn't have sinned because he did not lust after anything He was tempted with.

Just because Satan tempted Him does not make it a sure thing that the Lord Jesus Christ COULD have sinned. I am sure once again that Satan thought that he could get the Lord Jesus Christ to sin. Satan believed in the peccability of Jesus; and did not consider Him to be WHO He was.

The issue of Impeccability also can be seen in the Bible Issue: Is the Bible Trustworthy? Is the Bible Impeccable? Many do not believe it is; and suggest that there are ERRORS in the Bible.

The Bible Issue!

Yes the issue of "originality" is a wrong issue: it should be about the authority of God and His words.

There was a shift around 1881 with the advent of the Westcott and Hort Greek Text and their translation the RV. The issues that arose had to do with the so called science of Textual Criticism and the rules behind it. That could take a while to get through: the best thing I can give you is to look at my Bible Study web page: <http://biblestudies.av1611kjb.org> and just about any of the studies that start with AV1611KJB – will give you some information on the subject.

The main things to remember are that God is not considering “originality” to be an issue in the Bible. AND; God told you that He will preserve His words forever. God never “lost” His words and expected sinful man to find or restore them. If originals were important to God; He would not have allowed Jehudi to penknife an original manuscript of Jeremiah (Baruch who wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah) and then rewire it as a copy and adding more words including THIS story! (see Jeremiah 36:23-32). It is a duel original! Next: can God inspire a copy? Well I just answered that one; so how about a translation?

Isaiah 40:3, “The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.” We can agree that this was “originally” written in Hebrew. Right? So, John the Baptist comes on the scene in Matthew 3:3, “For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” Quoting Isaiah 40:3 and Matthew records this in Greek. SO it was translated in the Original Manuscript of Matthew. Was that inspired in the New Testament “original”? SO, God CAN inspire a copy and a translation!

Here is our verse for inspiration: 2 Timothy 3:16-17, “All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.”

Notice the present tense “is given” and not “was given”. Also notice the previous verse: 2 Timothy 3:15, “And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.” Timothy had the “holy scriptures...” that Paul told him that “All scripture is given by inspiration of God...” He was talking about what Timothy HAD in his hands. You know he did not have the original of Isaiah or Jeremiah or Job! Paul was talking about copies of copies and for the New Testament they were translated from Hebrew to Greek when quoting the Old Testament. That would account for over half the New Testament!

God preserved ONE Bible that has not been corrupted in the King’s English; under a King whose name is the English transliteration of James which is a Greek transliteration of the Hebrew Jacob.

Old Testament KINGS; New Testament JAMES. Isaiah 41:21, “Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong reasons, saith the King of Jacob.”

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