

THE ENGLISH BIBLE

TIMELINE



1378 WYCLIFFE BIBLE

The first Bible ever translated into the English language was hand-written. It was the genius of **John Wycliffe** (c. 1330–1384), the Oxford professor known as the "Morning Star of the Reformation."

TYNDALE BIBLE

1526

William Tyndale (1494–1536) was the first to translate the New Testament into English from the Greek. His translation was also the first published on the printing press.



1535 COVERDALE BIBLE

The first complete English Bible printed on the press was by **Myles Coverdale** (1488–1569). A student of Tyndale, he took his work and supplied a fresh translation of the Old Testament (from translations).

GREAT BIBLE

1539

The first authorized English Bible, by King Henry VIII, was a revision of the Coverdale Bible with an enlarged typeset.



1560 GENEVA BIBLE

The first complete English translation from the original languages. This was the first to incorporate Tyndale's unpublished works of certain Old Testament books and to add annotations.

KING JAMES BIBLE

1611

This Puritan masterpiece was largely a revision of the Geneva Bible and thus Tyndale's work. It achieved a remarkable excellence as a result of the many years of work and insight that had preceded it.

