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O. *The Sub-texts of the Gospels: Its implications for Inspiration and the King James Version*

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Although the information contained in the New Testament books were written by particular individuals, the New Testament as we now possess it, is not exactly the product of these original persons, but rather, it is the product of multiple authors/scribes. Thus, there are compositional layers in the text of the gospels. By comparing the variant readings from the various manuscripts of the gospels, these subtexts can be illustrated. Additionally, a more comprehensive understanding of inspiration can be understood from the phenomenon of textual layering and further illustrated in the rendition of English versions, the King James Version being used as a test case.