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One common reason all new bible translators use to justify new translations is the “archaic words.” They claim the archaic words are too difficult to read or understand. The Authorized Version written 400 years ago was understood then and now which make it ageless. The new translations have made the Bible “easier” to read, whereby they can “coast” people into reading it. In other words, lowering the standards while at the same time negatively impacting the doctrine.

**If you run across an archaic word you don’t understand then:**

* keep reading for the context
* prayerfully store in your mind for God to shed light on its meaning in His word
* compare other scriptures, 2 Timothy 3:16
* use of Webster’s 1828 Dictionary *–* is also helpful in some cases

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| **WORD** | **VERSE** | **MEANING** |
| ambassage | Luke 14:32 | message |
| anon | Mark 1:30 | soon |
| bishopric | Acts 1:20 | overseership |
| botch | Deuteronomy 28:27 | boils |
| bowels | Philippians 1:8 | inward affection, tender mercy |
| bray | Proverbs 27:22 | pound |
| brigandines | Jeremiah 46:4 | breastplate |
| broided | 1 Timothy 2:9 | braided |
| bruit | Jeremiah 10:22 | rumor |
| by and by | Mark 6:25 | immediately, straightway |
| cankered | James 5:3 | corrode |
| careful | Luke 10:41 | anxious |
| carriages | Acts 21:15 | baggages |
| charger | Mark 6:25 | platter |
| charity | 1 Corinthians 13:1 | love |
| coasts | Matthew 2:16 | border |
| collops | Job 15:27 | to be plump, obesity |
| concupiscence | 1 Thessalonians 4:5 | lust |
| conversation | Galatians 1:13 | behavior |
| dam | Deuteronomy 22:6 | mother |
| daysman | Job 9:33 | umpire |
| dispensation | Ephesians 3:2 | stewardship |
| do you to wit | 2 Corinthians 8:1 | to understand |
| draught | Matthew 15:17 | privy |
| dure | Matthew 13:21 | endure |
| fetched a compass | Acts 28:13 | wander about |
| jangling | 1 Timothy 1:6 | vain discussion |
| leasing | Psalms 4:2 | lying |
| let | 2 Thessalonians | hinder |
| list | John 3:8 | choose, will |
| milch | Genesis 32:15 | milk giving animal |
| muffler | Isaiah 3:19 | a long veil |
| murrain | Exodus 9:3 | plague |
| naughtiness | James 1:21 | wickedness |
| prevent | 1 Thessalonians 4:15 | precede |
| quit | 1 Samuel 4:9 | to act manly |
| ravin | Genesis 49:27 | tear in pieces |
| rereward | 1 Samuel 29:2 | withdraw |
| scrip | Matthew 10:10 | pouch |
| shamefacedness | 1 Timothy 2:9 | modesty |
| strait | 2 Kings 6:1 | narrow |
| take no thought | Matthew 6:25 | don’t worry |
| thoroughly | 2 Timothy 3:17 | to equip fully |
| vaunt oneself | 1 Corinthians 13:4 | to boast |
| verily | John 3:3 | surely, amen |
| ware | Nehemiah 10:31 | merchandise |
| waymark | Jeremiah 31:21 | guiding pillar |
| wist | Exodus 16:15 | understand, be sure |
| wit | Genesis 24:21 | to know, understand |
| wot | Genesis 21:26 | perceive, understand |

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