

Living Stream Ministry

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To all the saints and the churches in the Lord's recovery:

For a number of years the website *The Bible—Recovery Version* (bible.read.online in English; biblialeer.online in Spanish; bible.ru.ru in Russian) has offered unlawful access to most of the ministry publications of Living Stream Ministry and of Bible Book Depot, as well as a corresponding Android application for mobile devices. Many saints use these resources to read the ministry publications, including the *Holy Bible Recovery Version* and the Life-study messages. Today, we must issue a serious warning regarding this website and its application.

The Bible—Recovery Version website was created in Kiev, Ukraine, by Brother Ruslan Skuratov. This website has offered ministry books, hymns, and other materials illegally for many years, all taken from publications copyrighted by BBD or LSM without permission. The BBD brothers responsible for the publication work in the Russian-speaking world have repeatedly tried to fellowship with Skuratov, asking him to respect the copyrights of LSM and BBD and to shut down his website, but every time Skuratov has bluntly rejected that fellowship. He continued to develop his site and at a certain point even began to bring accusations against BBD. Later, LSM in fellowship with the work in the Ukraine and the church in Kiev, repeatedly asked this brother to take down the illegal materials, and each time he refused. Eventually, LSM contacted Skuratov through a Ukrainian law firm, but he still would not comply.

In addition to *The Bible—Recovery Version* website, in 2016 Skuratov created an Android application that delivers the contents of his website.

In addition to Skuratov's violation of copyright law by offering illegally uploaded material, recently he began to refer his readers to materials published by those who oppose the Lord's recovery. These materials contain spiritual poison that can inflict serious spiritual damage to the saints.

In particular, an online version of John Ingalls' book *Speaking the Truth in Love* was recently uploaded to this website and conspicuously promoted on its front page. From 1987 to 1989, the late John Ingalls stirred up a serious rebellion in Anaheim, California, against the Lord's recovery. This rebellion spread and affected a great number of saints and churches. As a result of that rebellion, a number of saints left the Lord's recovery. Some were so disheartened that they lost their faith in the Lord and in His truth and went into the world. Later he published more books in which he continued to oppose the Lord's recovery and poison the saints. Now his book is presented freely on *The Bible—Recovery Version* website side by side with Watchman Nee and Witness Lee's ministry books.

We do not want any of the saints to be poisoned spiritually by this kind of material. Therefore, we urge all the saints not to use *The Bible—Recovery Version* website, not to install its Android application on their devices, and not to offer or recommend these to others, especially to new ones. If this application is installed to your device, we encourage you to remove it immediately. We should be faithful to be separated to the Lord and not touch death (Num. 19:11, 13-16; Lev. 11:31). By using this website and this application you may unconsciously poison yourselves and poison others.

May the Lord preserve us in the oneness of the Spirit for the building up of His Body.

In Him,

The brothers who oversee Living Stream Ministry