Question 91 - Why have seven Bible editions over the centuries earned a dubious reputation?

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   In essence it was due to various unintentional mistranslations of various verses. For example:

   A. *The Breeche’s Bible*, because it states that Adam and Eve, “sewed fig-tree leaves together and made themselves breeches” (Gen. 3:7).

   B. *The Bug Bible*, because it advises, “Thou shalt not nede to be afrayed for eny bugges by night” (Psa. 91:5).

   C. *The Murderer’s Bible*, for it says, “Let the children first be killed” (instead of filled) (Mk. 7:27).

   D. *The Printers’ Bible*, which laments the fact that “printers (not princes) have persecuted me without a cause” (Psa. 119:61).

   E. *The wife Hater’s Bible*, for saying, “If any man come to me, and hate not his father . . . yea, and his own wife also” (instead of life) (Lk. 14:26).

   F. *The Wicked Bible*, for translating the 7th commandment as follows: “Thou shalt commit adultery” (Ex. 20:14).

   G. *The Vinegar Bible*, for rendering Lk. 20:13, “then said the Lord of the vinegar” (instead of vineyard).

   H. *The Lions Bible*, which reads, “thy son . . . shall come forth out of thy lions,” instead of loins (1 Kings 8:19).

   I. *The Camels Bible*, which reads, “And Rebekah and her camels . . . followed . . . the servant,” instead of damsels (Gen. 24:61).