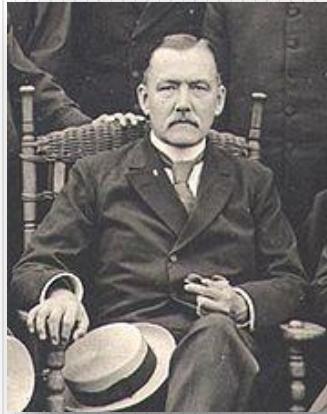


# Robert Dick Wilson

**Robert Dick Wilson** (February 4, 1856 – October 11, 1930) was an American linguist and Presbyterian scholar who made major contributions in verifying the reliability of the Hebrew Bible. In his quest to determine the accuracy of the original manuscripts, Wilson eventually learned 45 languages, including Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek, as well as all the languages into which the Scriptures had been translated up to 600 AD.



## THE MAN

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**Dick Wilson demolished the critics of his day, especially the likes of the heretic S. R. Driver and the *Graf-Wellhausen School*. Wilson's major publications, in which he not only annihilated the liberal critics, but also fortified the foundations of the study of the Old Testament with brilliant elucidations and conclusions, like nobody before or since.**

**Wilson became the leading professor at Princeton Theological Seminary where he spent many years defending the Bible against all comers, as well as turning out students with a sound foundation of rare learning. Nearing the age of seventy, Wilson nevertheless produced a stirring moment for his students when, after a dissertation on the complete trustworthiness of Scripture, the renowned scholar said with tears streaming down his face –**

**"Young men, there are many mysteries in this life I do not pretend to understand, many things hard to explain. But I can tell you this morning with the fullest assurance that --**

***Jesus loves me, this I know  
For the Bible tells me so!"***

# **“The Love of God”**

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# DEUT 7:6B-8

...the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that *are* upon the face of the earth. **7** The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye *were* fewest of all people: **8** But because the LORD loves you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.



# WHAT MANNER OF LOVE

## **I John 3:1**

<sup>1</sup> Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

- I Cor 5:14 — compelling Love.
- Romans 5:8, Eph 5:2 — a sacrificial and forgiving love.
- Romans 8:35 — a cleaving and inseparable love.
- I John 4:10 — a debt relieving love.
- I John 4:12-16 — an abiding love.
- Num 23:19 — covenant love.



# THE ELECT

## Jeremiah 31:3

<sup>3</sup> The LORD has appeared of old to me, *saying*:  
"Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
Therefore with *lovingkindness* I have drawn you.

- Given *unmerited* kindness.
- *Lengthened* mercy to us.
- *Preserved & procured* divine grace and favor.



# MEPHIBOSHETH A TYPE

## **II Sam 9:6-8**

<sup>6</sup> Now when Mephibosheth the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, had come to David, he fell on his face and prostrated himself. Then David said, "Mephibosheth?" And he answered, "Here is your servant!" <sup>7</sup> So David said to him, "Do not fear, for I will surely show you kindness for Jonathan your father's sake, and will restore to you all the land of Saul your grandfather; and you shall eat bread at my table continually." <sup>8</sup> Then he bowed himself, and said, "What *is* your servant, that you should look upon such a dead dog as I?"



# STEADFAST LOVE

## **John 13:1**

<sup>1</sup> Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

Phil 1:6

<sup>6</sup> being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete *it* until the day of Jesus Christ;



# GOD'S THOUGHTS

## **Jer 29:11-13**

**11** For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you *a future and a hope*. **12** Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. **13** And you will seek Me and find *Me*, when you search for Me with all your heart.

"...an expected end" — to be expectant of God for the thing that you long for.



# A LOVE OF HOPE

## **II Thes 2:16, 17**

<sup>16</sup> Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given *us* everlasting consolation and good hope by grace,  
<sup>17</sup> comfort your hearts and establish you in every good word and work.

