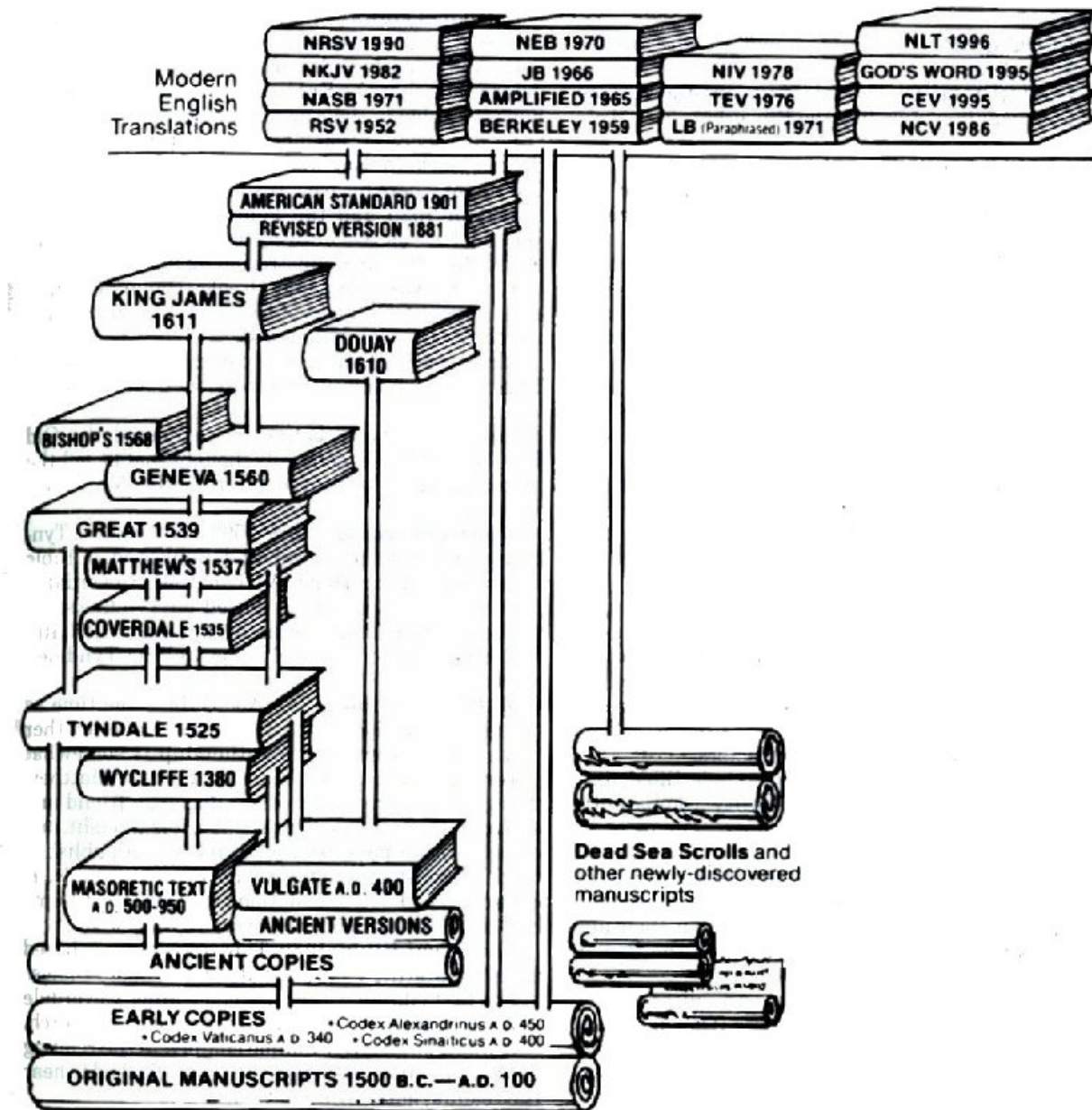


## The Progression of Bible Translations



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The first translation of the entire Bible into English was by John Wycliffe in 1382. Wycliffe did not translate from the Hebrew and Greek but from a Latin edition of the Bible known as the Vulgate. For the first time, the common people could hear the Bible in their own language. They quickly realized that many of the church leaders were astray from the Bible in both what they taught and how they lived. Wycliffe and his followers met with great opposition from the church for their work, and many were killed. Forty years after Wycliffe died his bones were

dug up and burned, and the ashes thrown into a nearby river. This was meant to be a lesson for others like John Wycliffe who might attempt unauthorized translations!