Q2. Does God preserve His Word?

Is 40:8 ⁸ The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the <u>word of our God shall stand for ever</u>.

Matt 24:35 ³⁵ Heaven and earth shall pass away, but <u>my</u> words shall not pass away.

1 Pet 1:23-25 ²³ Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and <u>abideth for ever</u>. ²⁴ For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: ²⁵ But <u>the word of the Lord</u> <u>endureth for ever</u>. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you. Does God preserve His Word through the centuries?

KJV Ps 12:6-7 6 The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. 7 Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever. KJV

THE MODERN VERSIONS:

Should we perhaps investigate why the modern translations are so different? How did this happen?

NIV: Ps 12:6-7 6 And the words of the LORD are flawless, like silver purified in a crucible, like gold refined seven times. 7 You, LORD, will keep the needy safe and will protect us forever from the wicked,

ESV: Ps 12:6-7 6 The words of the LORD are pure words, like silver refined in a furnace on the ground, purified seven times. 7 You, O LORD, will keep them; **YOU will guard us** from this generation forever.

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Is the Gospel Untouched?

Jesus: "He that believes on me <u>has</u> everlasting life".John 6:47

SALVATION:

- KJV 1 Corinthians 1:18 (KJV)
 ¹⁸ For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.
- ESV 1 Corinthians 1:18 (ESV)
 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
- NIV 1 Corinthians 1:18 (NIV)
 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
- NKJV 1 Corinthians 1:18 (NKJV)
 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
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Why is it important to trace the spread of the gospel?

	KJV			ESV	
Matt 7:14		14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto		14 For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and	
ا		life, and few there be that find it.		those who find it are few.	
			KJV		ESV
JC	ohn 3:36	ha be se	He that believeth on the Son th everlasting life: and he that lieveth not the Son shall not e life ; but the wrath of God ideth on him.		36 Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.
			KJV		ESV
Mark 1		10:24	24 And the disciples were astonished his words. But Jesus answereth again and saith unto them, Children, how ha is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!	n,	24 And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them

The new versions make it appear that salvation is perhaps not a free gift, that we have endure <u>hard</u>ship and <u>difficulty</u>, to <u>obey</u>, go through a process of <u>being saved</u> **before** we are children of God. Is that the gospel?