

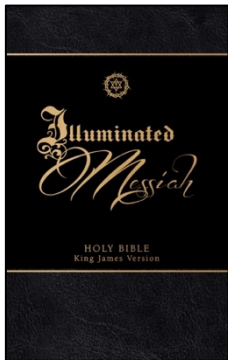
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The Illuminated Messiah Bible (KJV)

Air Force Vet & Award-Winning Artist Presents Beautiful Artistry Featuring the Messianic Theme of Jesus from Genesis to Revelation



Minneapolis, MN: The infallible, living Word of God as penned in the historic King James version has had a powerful influence on language and literature since 1611 under the reign of King James I. The King James Bible is entwined with poetic cadence and vivid imagery, and is the standard by which all translations of the most printed book of all time are measured.

The Illuminated Messiah Bible (BroadStreet® Publishing) featuring illustrations by award winning artist, **Tim Gagnon** (pronounced gahn-yo), presents a collection of sixty-six beautiful portraits containing Messianic themes of Jesus with a detailed theological explanation behind each stunning creation.

Tim, who dabbled in black magic and occults in his youth, decided to serve the Lord with his artistic talents after he became a Christian. As an Air Force vet, Tim offers his time to other military vets in VA hospitals and helps them share their stories through online art classes.

The Illuminated Messiah Bible (KJV) is a truly unique illumination in three specific areas:

- Unlike other modern illuminations that use abstract, non-representational art, artist Tim Gagnon has used figurative, narrative paintings done in oils and acrylic paint on gilded eight-by-ten-inch panels. It took Gagnon five years to finish this labor of love.
- The *Illuminated Messiah Bible* is the only illuminated Bible to have a theme, in this case Jesus the Messiah, that depicts the Messianic theme of Jesus from Genesis to Revelation.
- The sixty-six illuminations, while remaining stand-alone artwork, combine to form a hidden, larger-than-life-sized portrait of the crucified Christ as a Mizrahi Jew. These panels that form the cross stand twelve feet high and nine feet wide.

“Long ago if you wanted to see some of the greatest works of art, you went to church, but over time that weaned. To pay homage to Jesus, our Messiah, and the illuminated Bibles created in the Middle Ages, I offered my artistry that combines art and theology,” said Gagnon. “I wanted to intertwine my faith and artistry to glorify God and share His message of hope, love and salvation to the world.”

Gagnon, who features his private art collection on a traveling exhibit to churches, hopes his God-given artistic talent will inspire readers to see the beauty in God’s Word and guide them to grow in their faith. Information is available at www.IlluminatedMessiah.com and www.gagnonatelier.com.



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About the Artist:



Tim Gagnon, “The Fire Painter,” is an award-winning artist, author, speaker, and instructor best known for creating works of art live on stage while his paintbrushes are on fire. For nearly two decades, he has performed and exhibited in galleries, churches, conferences, schools, and stadiums across the country. In 2008 he earned a Bachelor’s degree in Theology from the Christian Life School of Theology in Columbus, GA and a Master’s in Fine Art (Painting) from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco, CA in May of 2015. An Air Force Veteran, Tim proudly serves with the Patriot Art Foundation, teaching Veterans to share their stories through the arts. He serves on the board, teaches online classes for VA hospitals and is the Host of the Patriot Arts Podcast. In 2019, Tim founded the non-profit Gagnon Atelier to assist churches and civic organizations to reach their communities through the Visual Arts. Tim resides in Panama City Beach, FL. Facebook @tim.gagnon.3 or @GagnonAtelier YouTube & Instagram @GagnonAtelier

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Suggested Interview Questions:

1. Tim, how would you describe The Illuminated Messiah Bible?
2. Are art illuminations something new to biblical artwork or church history?
3. What inspired you to create the illustration and how did you decide which passages of the Bible to feature?
4. How long did it take you to paint each of the 66 portraits? What was the most difficult part of creating these masterpieces?
5. As a young man you dabbled in occults, but two men guided you to become a Christian. How important is mentorship regarding someone’s faith walk?
6. When did you know you wanted to be an artist? Why did you pursue an art career that features biblical and spiritual themes?
7. Why do you believe that visual art can be used as a demonstration of worship?
8. You are an Air Force Veteran, and you teach online art classes for VA hospitals. How has that experience been for you?
9. You feature a traveling exhibit of your work to churches. How can churches sign up for this?
10. Do you have any advice for artists, or aspiring artists, who want to feature visual representation of their faith in their artwork?
11. How can modern churches incorporate the Visual Arts into their services and outreach?
12. Tell us about The Gagnon Atelier and your ministry?
13. Where can we find out more information about you and your artwork?