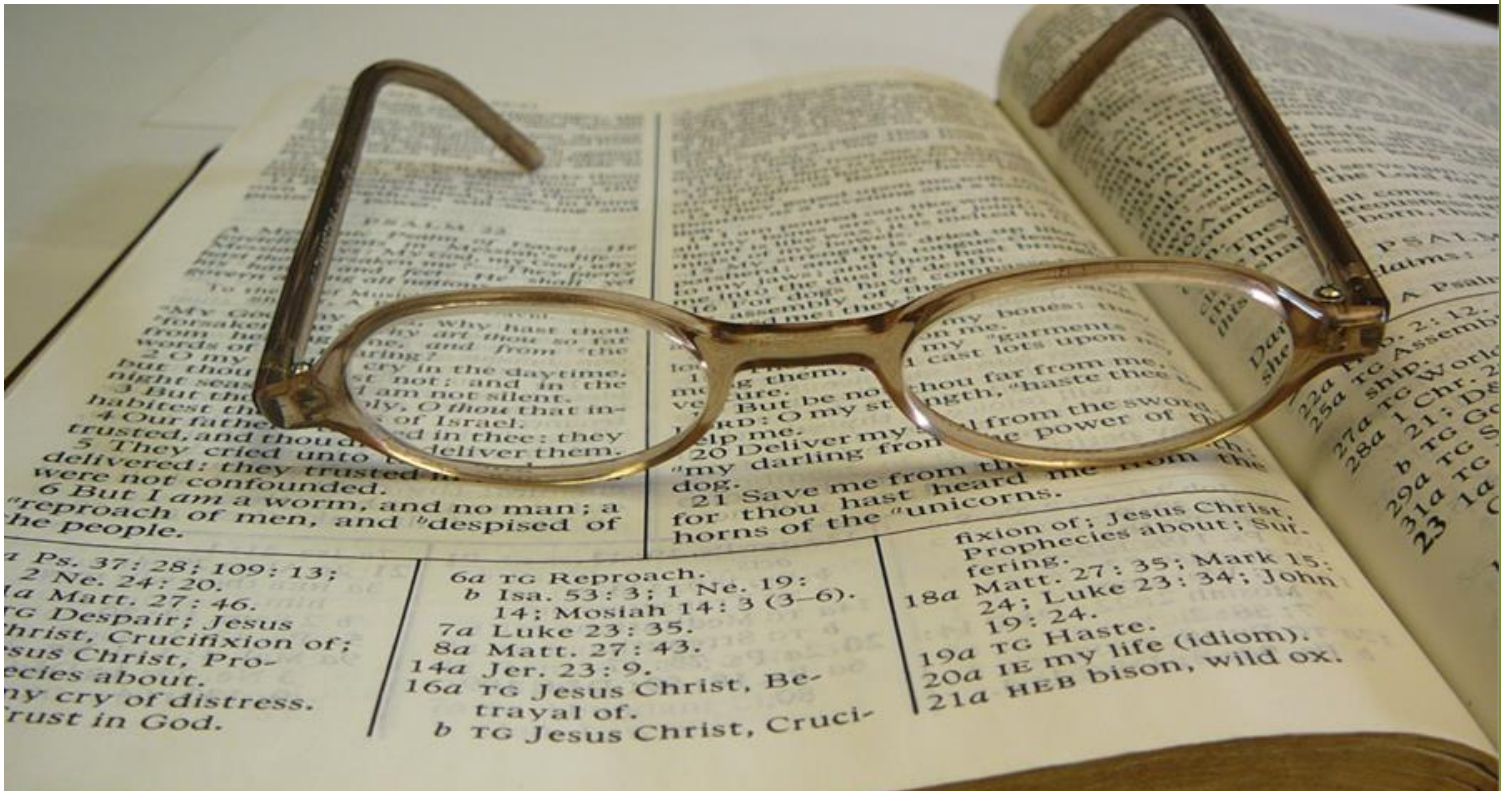




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## Bibliology

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Student Guide

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## BIBLIOLOGY AND HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE

### ***This is the First Course in the CDI Program***

The core CDI courses are:

1. **Bibliology and How to Study the Bible**
2. Doctrine
3. New Testament
4. Old Testament
5. Church History
6. Evangelism, Teaching and Preaching

### ***Bibliology and How to Study the Bible ~ 2 Timothy 3:16 & 2 Timothy 2:15***

This is a composite course that lays a foundation for studying the Bible and then leads the student in Bible study exercises built upon that foundation.

***Bibliology*** integrates multiple subjects to provide an understanding of what the Bible is, where it came from, how it was written and why it is to be studied.

***How to Study the Bible*** is a comprehensive Five-Step Bible Study Method that combines word studies in the original languages with circumstantial, biographical and topical studies. The final step is **to paraphrase** the passage studied.

Many Christians have a fragmented Christian education where their knowledge of Scripture is disjointed. The objective of *Bibliology and How to Study the Bible* is to provide an approach **to studying the Bible** that will produce an accurate and unified understanding of Scripture.

Upon completing this course you will have the tools necessary to study the Bible in the original languages, knowledge of Biblical culture that will allow you to better understand the Bible, and a framework to integrate those passages studied with the rest of the Bible. The ultimate intent is that in correctly handling 'the Word of Truth' you will come to know what you believe, why you believe it and have the ability to 'earnestly contend for the Faith that was once for all delivered to the saints' - Jude 3

## REGISTRATION WITH THE CDI AS LOCAL INSTRUCTORS AND STUDENTS

The CDI Learning Management System requires all Local Instructors and Students to register individually. Once registered with the CDI, access to all courses and videos are open to view and/or download. For those taking CDI courses in a classroom setting the Learning Management System will track student progress if they periodically log in and check off lessons completed.

## HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This student’s guide is used in conjunction with the online video course developed for *Bibliology and How to Study the Bible*.

As a first step, you must register with the CDI prior to taking this course. Registration is found at [www.vmcontenders.org/register](http://www.vmcontenders.org/register)





This guide is designed to be used as you attend either a Local Instructor led class or a self-study of this course. This guide can help you in three ways:

- 1. Follow along with the video and take notes.** Space is provided in the guide to take notes as you work through the sessions.
- 2. Utilize worksheets:** The student’s guide includes activity worksheets which allow you to apply what you have learned. If you are going through this course as a self-study session, you may also want to download the Local Instructor guide as well. The Instructor’s guide has extra notes filled in as well as instructions to the Local Instructors on how to conduct an assignment. Also, in the Instructor’s guide, a copy of each worksheet, including answers and hints, follows the worksheet.
- 3. Assess progress:** Finally, this guide includes a final assessment that you can take to test your knowledge.

### How the guide is organized.

This guide is broken into sessions that follow along with the course videos. Also in this guide are learning objectives, reviews, quizzes and a glossary of terms. The curriculum is designed to be presented in Module and Session sequence.

Each module also uses the following icons:

Icon	Meaning
	<b>Group Activity</b> These assignments will be conducted in class. For those distance learners, instructions are in your guide on how to complete these activities. <b><i>It is highly recommended that distance learners complete these activities.</i></b>
	<b>Assignments</b> Assignments for the class including outside reading.
	<b>Exam</b> All exams are open book.
	<b>Key Point</b> A specific item to remember.

### **Special Note**

*Bibliology and How to Study the Bible* was taped during live two-hour classroom sessions taught by Pastor Ron Salleé at Contenders Bible School of Machias Community Church. These sessions, as presented in the Contenders Discipleship Initiative, have been broken into smaller segments for Local Instructor/mentor-led classes as well as independent distance learners.

At times throughout the course you will hear Pastor Ron ask students to turn to a specific page within the student guide.

Throughout the video course you will see corrections appear on the screen to alert you to find the correct page numbers and new material added to the new student guide for *Bibliology and How to Study the Bible*.

## **STUDENT EVALUATIONS**

Contenders Discipleship Initiative uses a narrative evaluation approach rather than issuing grades during a student's course of study. An online form is completed after each course that indicates what a student has learned.

The complete Contenders Discipleship Initiative Narrative Evaluation consists of two written evaluations for each course: one from the Local Instructor for each student attending a course and one from the student giving a self-assessment.

Students who subsequently apply to Village Missions will need to have these evaluations recorded in the CDI Learning Management System for each course.

The online Local Instructor's Student Evaluation can be found at:

[http://vmcontenders.org/pastor\\_assessment.html](http://vmcontenders.org/pastor_assessment.html)

The Student Self Evaluation form can be found at:

[http://vmcontenders.org/student\\_assessment.html](http://vmcontenders.org/student_assessment.html)

The student's Self Evaluation summarizes your accomplishments while taking the course, any new understandings achieved, and the your goals for the future.

## **REPORTING ERRORS CONCERNING COURSE MATERIAL**

Every effort has been made to ensure the guide and videos are correct. However, if you do see something you believe is in error, please use the web form at:

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## BIBLIOLOGY COURSE SYLLABUS

This course is designed to give you an appreciation for the Bible as God’s Word and the necessity of in-depth study. Those who complete this course will have the tools to conduct independent studies of Scripture and the ability to apply the Rules of Hermeneutics for proper interpretation of the text.

The Doctrine of Inspiration  
Biblical Culture and Its Relationship to Biblical Interpretation  
Survey of Old and New Testaments  
Introduction to Hebrew/Greek Study Tools Including Computer-Aided Bible Study  
Hermeneutics  
Typology  
Five-Step Bible Study Method

Classroom work to include but not limited to:

Biblical Time Line  
Quizzes and Tests

Outside assignments to include but not limited to:

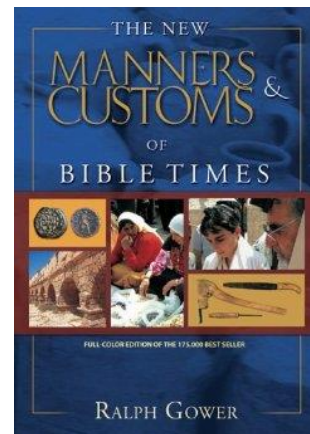
Outline each chapter of Old and New Testament  
Reading “The New Manners & Customs of Bible Times” – Gower  
Completion of typology assignment  
Written work for each of the five steps in the Bible study method  
1) Word study  
2) Circumstantial study  
3) Topical study  
4) Biographical study  
5) Paraphrase

Students should purchase

**NEW MANNERS AND CUSTOMS OF BIBLE TIMES**

by Ralph Gower

ISBN 080245965X





## COURSE GOAL

The goal of the course is that you will be able to understand the meaning of a passage of Scripture and be able to communicate that to others. The means used is the Five-Step Bible Study Method which concludes with a paraphrase of the passage being studied. To effectively paraphrase a passage requires one to first understand what is being said and then what that means.

The Five-Step Bible Study is mandated by the doctrine of Bibliology and built upon the discipline of Hermeneutics as laid out during the first half of the course.

The Doctrine of Verbal Inspiration mandates detailed exegesis – also known as a “Word Study”.

Exegesis answers the question, “What does the text say?”

The Doctrine of Plenary Inspiration mandates Topical Study.

Topical Study answers the question, “What does the Bible say?”

Hermeneutics further requires both Biographical Studies and a Circumstantial Study.

Hermeneutics then answers the question, “What does it mean?”

Paraphrase requires one to know all of the above to restate the meaning.

Paraphrase insures that understanding has taken place.

Additional notes:

- Assignments for the Five-Step Bible Study are given out of 1 John 1:1-2:2.
- The Exegesis is of the whole passage.
- Circumstantial Study is of Ephesus and answering the 12 Questions.
- Biographical Study is of John the Apostle.
- Topical Study is limited to koinonia with a further topic limit by student.
- Paraphrase is of the whole passage.

**1 John 1:1-2:2**  
**New King James Version (NKJV)**

***What Was Heard, Seen, and Touched***

***1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life— 2 the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us— 3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. 4 And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.***

***Fellowship with Him and One Another***

***5 This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.***

***8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.***

***2 My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.***

## COURSE SCHEDULE

Fill out this schedule on first day of class.

### Dates and Times

- \_\_\_\_\_ INTRODUCTION
- \_\_\_\_\_ OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY
- \_\_\_\_\_ NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY
- \_\_\_\_\_ OLD TESTAMENT AUTHENTICITY
- \_\_\_\_\_ NEW TESTAMENT AUTHENTICITY
- \_\_\_\_\_ INSPIRATION of SCRIPTURE
- \_\_\_\_\_ AUTHORITY of SCRIPTURE
- \_\_\_\_\_ INTRODUCTION to HERMENEUTICS
- \_\_\_\_\_ RULES OF INTERPRETATION
- \_\_\_\_\_ TYPOLOGY
- \_\_\_\_\_ BIBLE STUDY TOOLS / TAKE HOME MID-TERM
- \_\_\_\_\_ BIBLE STUDY METHODS - EXEGESIS
- \_\_\_\_\_ BIBLE STUDY METHODS - CIRCUMSTANTIAL STUDY
- \_\_\_\_\_ BIBLE STUDY METHODS - TOPICAL STUDY
- \_\_\_\_\_ BIBLE STUDY METHODS - BIOGRAPHICAL STUDY
- \_\_\_\_\_ BIBLE STUDY METHODS – PARAPHRASE
- \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ FINAL TEST / REVIEW

## **SESSION 1, PART 1 – INTRODUCTION TO BIBLIOLOGY**

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

The Basics of Online Video Learning  
Theistic Belief Systems  
Revelation (Definition)  
General Revelation

### ***2 Timothy 3:16***

#### ***New King James Version (NKJV)***

***16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness...***

### **Bibliology Class Content**

- The Doctrine of Inspiration
- Biblical Culture and Its Relationship to Biblical Interpretation
- Survey of Old and New Testaments
- Introduction to Hebrew/Greek Study Tools Including Computer-Aided Bible Study
- Hermeneutics
- Typology
- Five-step Bible Study Method

Classroom work to include but not limited to:

- Biblical Time Line
- Quizzes and Tests

Outside assignments to include but not limited to:

- Outline each chapter of Old and New Testament
- Reading “The New Manners & Customs of Bible Times” – Gower
- Completion of typology assignment

Written work for each of the five steps in the Bible Study Method

- 1) Word study
- 2) Circumstantial study
- 3) Topical study
- 4) Biographical study
- 5) Paraphrase

## **Class Schedule**

Introduction  
Old Testament Survey  
New Testament Survey  
Old Testament Authenticity  
New Testament Authenticity  
Inspiration of Scripture  
Authority of Scripture  
Introduction to Hermeneutics  
Rules of Interpretation  
Typology  
Bible Study Tools / Take Home Mid-Term Test  
Bible Study Methods – Exegesis  
Bible Study Methods – Circumstantial Study  
Bible Study Methods - Topical Study  
Bible Study Methods - Biographical Study  
Bible Study Methods – Paraphrase  
Final Test / Review

## **Seven Subjects Covered**

1. Bible Survey – Old and New Testaments
2. Biblical Culture – Understanding the culture of the time the Bible was written. You should have already ordered a copy of “The Manners & Customs of Bible Times” by Ralph Gower.
3. Bibliology – Theology of Scripture – What the Bible is About
4. Introduction to Bible Languages – Hebrew and Greek
5. Hermeneutics – The Science of Interpreting the Bible
6. Typology – Old Testament Pointing to the New Testament (persons, places and things)
7. Bible Study Method – Five-Step Method
  - 1) Word study
  - 2) Circumstantial study
  - 3) Topical study
  - 4) Biographical study
  - 5) Paraphrase

## **Introduction**

### Theistic Belief Systems:

1. Pantheism - All is God
2. Polytheism - Many gods
3. Atheism - Belief in no God
4. Deism - Belief in a non-personal God
5. Theism - Belief in a personally involved God

### Revelation - Truth Revealed

#### General Revelation

1. Nature's witness

***Psalm 19:1-4; Acts 14:17; Psalm 104:5-9; 2 Peter 3:4-5; Romans 1:19-20***

2. History's witness

***1 Kings 8:56; Acts 7:2-53; Acts 17:26-28***

3. Conscience's witness

***Ecclesiastes 3:11; 2 Corinthians 3:3; Romans 2:14-15***

## SESSION 1, PART 2 - INTRODUCTION TO BIBLIOLOGY

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Special Revelation (Definition)

The Spoken Word

The Written Word

The Walking Word



Special Revelation

Spoken Word

***Genesis 1:3 , 2:16; Jeremiah 1:9; Hebrews 1:1***

Examples:

***"saith the Lord" - 854 ; "Lord said" - 221 ; "Lord God said" - 4 ;***

***"Lord spake" - 144 ; "Lord speaketh" - 2; "word of the Lord" - 258; "words of the Lord" - 19; "voice of the Lord" - 50 ; "mouth of the Lord" - 11;***

***"God Commanded" - 14; "Lord commanded" - 105.***

***1,682 references to the spoken Word.***

Written Word

***Deuteronomy 28:58; Jeremiah 36:4; John 20:31***

***"written" - 277; "write" - 91; "writings" - 1; "book" - 188; "scroll" - 2;***

***"parchments" - 1; "scripture" -32; "scriptures" - 21.***

Walking Word (Jesus, the Word made flesh)

***Hebrews 1:1-3; John 1:14/18; Revelation 19:13.***

### **The Spoken Word**

1682 references to the spoken revelation of God

### **The Written Word**

613 references to the written Revelation of God.

"Christocentric" - John 5:39

All Scripture is about Jesus. From Genesis to Revelation the Bible tells one story and it is His story.

## The Bible

The Bible was written by a diversity of 40 different authors over a period of 1,500 years, in a variety of locations. However, the Bible is uniquely one book, with one voice, consisting of 66 different books.

Its authors came from all walks of life. Some were kings, shepherds, warriors, fishermen, even a Gentile doctor and a tax collector.

### The Bible is:

1. The Revelation of God - 1 Sam 3:21; 2 Tim 3:15; Rom 16:25-26
2. Supernaturally Given & Preserved - 2 Pe 1:20-21; Lk 21:33; 1 Pe 1:25
3. Alive and Life Giving - Heb 4:12; 1 Pe 1:23
4. A Balm and a Weapon - Prov 4:20-22; Matt 4:4, 7, 10, Eph 6:10-17
5. Object and Source of Faith - 1 Thess 2:13; Rom 10:17
6. Complete - Rev 22:18-19
7. Comprehensive - 2 Tim 3:16-17
8. Infallible - Matt 5:18; 1 Kings 8:56,
9. Inerrant - 2 Pe 1:16-19
10. True - Jn 8:44; 2 Cor 4:4; Jn 17:17;
11. A Historical Record:
  - a) from eternity past to eternity future
  - b) of God's dealings with man
  - c) of two divergent streams of humanity, the godly and ungodly
  - d) of the nation of Israel
  - e) of God's promised Messiah Gen 3
12. "Christocentric" - John 5:39
13. To Be Studied - 2 Tim 2:15; 2 Peter 1:19; Heb 2:1-3; 2 Peter 3:16



## ASSIGNMENT: SURVEY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

*Assignment Number 1.* Copy the headings or passage summaries from each chapter in your Bible. Don't take a shortcut and copy an outline find somewhere in your Bible or online. The point is to go through every chapter in your Bible and write down the headings to see how all the people, places and events flow into the OT.

*Assignment Number 2.* Find the approximate date when each of the books of the Bible was written and the time period it covered. Use the worksheet in this guide book. For this part of the assignment you can use any resources available.





## **CLASS ACTIVITY: CREATING A BIBLE TIMELINE REFERENCE**

### **Group 1 Timeline References**

#### **Biblical Events (all dates Approximated):**

CREATION and the FALL of MAN – 4000 BC  
The FLOOD – 2350 BC  
The TOWER of BABEL – 2235 BC  
The CALL of ABRAHAM – 2091 BC  
ISSAC offered as a sacrifice – 2054 BC  
JACOB’S name change to ISRAEL – 1906 BC  
JOSEPH BECOMES EGYPT’S PRIME MINISTER – 1886 BC  
JACOB’S FAMILY ENTERS EGYPT – 1875 BC  
MOSES BORN – 1525 BC  
The EXODUS – 1446 BC  
JOSHUA and the ISRAELITES CROSS RIVER JORDAN – 1406 BC  
SAUL BECOMES ISRAEL’S FIRST KING - 1043 BC  
DAVID BECOMES ISRAEL’S SECOND KING – 1010 BC  
SOLOMON BECOMES ISRAEL’S THIRD KING – 970 BC  
SOLOMON BUILDS ISRAEL’S FIRST TEMPLE – 966 BC  
The KINGDOM is DIVIDED into ISRAEL & JUDAH – 931 BC  
ISRAEL GOES into ASSYRIAN CAPTIVITY – 722 BC  
JUDAH GOES into BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY – 586 BC  
The JEWS RETURN from EXILE – 537 BC  
The SECOND TEMPLE is BUILT – 515 BC  
NEHEMIAH REBUILDS JERUSALEM’S WALLS – 444 BC  
JEWS CONQUERED by ALEXANDER – 320 BC  
JEWS LIBERATED by the MACCABEES – 165 BC  
JEWS CONQUERED by ROME – 60 BC  
HEROD REMODELS the SECOND TEMPLE – 20 BC  
JESUS is BORN – 3 BC  
JESUS is CRUCIFIED – 30 AD  
PAUL is CONVERTED – 34 AD  
PAUL BECOMES a MISSIONARY – 45 AD  
PAUL BEHEADED in ROME – 65 AD 68 AD

## **Group 2 Timeline References:**

### **POST BIBLICAL EVENTS (all dates Approximated):**

NERO PERSECUTES the CHURCH - 65AD

JERUSALEM DESTROYED - 70AD

DOMITIAN PERSECUTES the CHURCH - 90AD

CONSTANTINE DECLARE CHRISTIANITY OFFICIAL RELIGION of the ROMAN EMPIRE - 313AD

POPE LEO the GREAT CLAIMS APOSTOLIC SUCCESSION and AUTHORITY - 440AD

ROME FALLS to the GOTHs - 475AD

The ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH GAINS POLITICAL DOMINION - 590AD

The DARK AGES BEGIN - 590AD

LEIF ERICSON DISCOVERS NORTH AMERICA - 1000AD

GUTENBERG PRINTS the BIBLE on the FIRST PRINTING PRESS - 1455AD

COLUMBUS "DISCOVERS" AMERICA - 1492AD

PROTESTANT REFORMATION - 1517AD

PILGRIMS LAND at PLYMOUTH - 1620AD

AMERICAN COLONIES DECLARE INDEPENDENCE from ENGLAND - 1776AD

CHARLES DARWIN PUBLISHES "ORIGIN of SPECIES" - 1859AD

AMERICAN CIVIL WAR - 1861AD AIDS FIRST DIAGNOSED - 1981AD

## **Group 3 Timeline References**

### **KEY PEOPLE (all dates approximated):**

ADAM – 4000/3070 BC

SETH – 3870/2960 BC

METHUSELAH – 3310/2350 BC

NOAH – 2950/2000 BC

SHEM – 2450/1850 BC

ABRAHAM – 2166/1991 BC

ISSAC – 2066/1886 BC

JACOB – 2006/1859 BC

JOSEPH – 1916/1806 BC

MOSES – 1525/1405 BC

## **Group 4 Timeline References**

### **PROPHET'S Ministry (all dates approximated):**

ISAIAH – 739/681 BC

JEREMIAH – 626/570 BC

EZEKIEL – 592/570 BC

DANIEL – 605/538 BC

HOSEA – 760/720 BC

JOEL – 835/? BC

AMOS – 786/746 BC

OBADIAH – 850/840 BC

JONAH – 786/746 BC

MICAH – 737/696 BC

NAHUM – 615/612 BC

HABAKKUK – 612 BC



## CLASSROOM ACTIVITY: ADDING BOOKS OF THE BIBLE TO TIMELINE

Complete this page along with OT and NT outline assignment. Use a different color “Sharpie” when adding these to the timeline.

### Timeline Reference

**BOOKS OF THE BIBLE** (find approximate time period covered & when written):

- |                      |                     |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. GENESIS           | 2. EXODUS           |
| 3. LEVITICUS         | 4. NUMBERS          |
| 5. DEUTERONOMY       | 6. JOSHUA           |
| 7. JUDGES            | 8. RUTH             |
| 9. I SAMUEL          | 10. II SAMUEL       |
| 11. I KINGS          | 12. II KINGS        |
| 13. I CHRONICLES     | 14. II CHRONICLES   |
| 15. EZRA             | 16. NEHEMIAH        |
| 17. ESTHER           | 18. JOB             |
| 19. PSALMS           | 20. PROVERBS        |
| 21. ECCLESIASTES     | 22. SONG OF SOLOMON |
| 23. ISAIAH           | 24. JEREMIAH        |
| 25. LAMENTATIONS     | 26. EZEKIEL         |
| 27. DANIEL           | 28. HOSEA           |
| 29. JOEL             | 30. AMOS            |
| 31. OBADIAH          | 32. JONAH           |
| 33. MICAH            | 34. NAHUM           |
| 35. HABAKKUK         | 36. ZEPHANIAH       |
| 37. HAGGAI           | 38. ZECHARIAH       |
| 39. MALACHI          | 40. MATTHEW         |
| 41. MARK             | 42. LUKE            |
| 43. JOHN             | 44. ACTS            |
| 45. ROMANS           | 46. I CORINTHIANS   |
| 47. II CORINTHIANS   | 48. GALATIANS       |
| 49. EPHESIANS        | 50. PHILIPPIANS     |
| 51. COLOSSIANS       | 52. I THESSALONIANS |
| 53. II THESSALONIANS | 54. I TIMOTHY       |
| 55. II TIMOTHY       | 56. TITUS           |
| 57. PHILEMON         | 58. HEBREWS         |
| 59. JAMES            | 60. I PETER         |
| 61. II PETER         | 62. I JOHN          |
| 63. II JOHN          | 64. III JOHN        |
| 65. JUDE             | 66. REVELATION      |

## SESSION 2 - OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

- The Bible's OT - NT division
- The Differences between the Old Covenant and the New Covenant
- Jewish Divisions of Scripture
- The Septuagint

### **2 Timothy 3**

#### ***New King James Version (NKJV)***

***16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness***

The Bible is divided into two main sections called the "Old" and "New" Testaments. The word "Testament" means a "covenant" or an "agreement."

Both covenants are sealed by "blood" and both are mediated by a man.

*the Old Covenant* is mediated by Moses

**the New Covenant** is mediated by Jesus

*the Old Covenant* is sealed with the blood of animals

**the New Covenant** is sealed with the blood of Jesus

*the Old Covenant* flows from Mount Sinai

**the New Covenant** flows from Mount Calvary

*the Old Covenant* gives a law and demands obedience

**the New Covenant** gives grace and demands belief

*the Old Covenant* is a type or foreshadowing

**the New Covenant** is the antitype or fulfillment

"the \_\_\_\_\_ is in the \_\_\_\_\_ contained - the \_\_\_\_\_ is in the \_\_\_\_\_ explained."

"the \_\_\_\_\_ is in the \_\_\_\_\_ concealed - the \_\_\_\_\_ is in the \_\_\_\_\_ revealed."

Jewish divisions of OT Scripture - Luke 24:44 (read)  
Often shortened to "the Law & the Prophets"



1. the Law – Torah
2. the Prophets - Nebi'im
3. the Writings – Kethubim

NOTE: There are 24 books in the Hebrew OT - Samuel, Kings, Chronicles, Ezra-Nehemiah, and "the Twelve" minor prophets are one-volume books in the Hebrew Canon of Scripture.

Greek Septuagint divides of OT Scripture into 39 books  
70 Greek-speaking scholars.



### **1. The Pentateuch - 5 books of Moses**

- 1) Genesis -
- 2) Exodus -
- 3) Leviticus -
- 4) Numbers -
- 5) Deuteronomy -

### **2. The Historical books - 12 books**

- 6) Joshua -
- 7) Judges -
- 8) Ruth -

9) I Samuel -

10) II Samuel -

11) I Kings -

12) II Kings -

13) I Chronicles -

14) II Chronicles -

15) Ezra -

16) Nehemiah -

17) Esther -

### **3. The Poetical books - 5 books**

18) Job -

19) Psalms -

20) Proverbs -

21) Ecclesiastes -

22) Song of Solomon –

#### **4. The Prophetical books - 17 books**

a) Major - 5 books

23) Isaiah -

24) Jeremiah -

25) Lamentations -

26) Ezekiel -

27) Daniel -



b) Minor - 12 books

28) Hosea -

29) Joel -

30) Amos -

31) Obadiah -

32) Jonah -

33) Micah -

34) Nahum -

35) Habakkuk -

36) Zephaniah -

37) Haggai -

38) Zechariah -

39) Malachi -



## **ASSIGNMENT: FINISH OT OUTLINE AND START NT OUTLINE**

Finish the Old Testament outline and start the New Testament outline.

Write down the chapter headings in the New Testament. If there are headings in between the chapter headings, write those down as well.

Ensure you write the book of the Bible and the chapter number. You might want to use this outline later.

## SESSION 3 - NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

- Time Compression
- 400 "Silent" Years Between the OT and the NT
- Outline of the New Testament and its Four Divisions
- The General Epistles of the NT

### Review

- OT survey
- Integration of prior Bible knowledge from past sermons, Bible study, and devotional reading
- Understanding of the scope and flow of history and how the Bible fits
- A sense of time compression, where the distant past isn't so distant after all
- Bible events become current events
- A personal connection to Bible characters and stories
- God is really here!



### Intertestamental Literature - 400 "Silent" Years

Malachi ends Old Testament with judgment, but the last 5 verses contain the promise of the coming Redeemer.

The Apocrypha is the title given to 14 books included in the Roman Catholic canon of Scripture between the OT and the NT. Apocrypha means "hidden things" and originally implied that these writings were only for the "inner circle" - kept for the wise among the people. Later it came to identify the obscurity of origin and authorship of these books.

They were never accepted as Scripture by the Jews and were never quoted by Jesus or the Apostles. The early Church did not accept them as Scripture.

### Four Views Concerning the Apocrypha:

1) The Roman Catholic view, solidified at the Council of Trent (1546) and by the

## THE FIRST BOOK OF ESDRAS

### CHAPTER I

AND Josias held the feast of the passover in Jerusalem unto his Lord, and offered the passover the fourteenth day of the first month;

2 Having set the priests according to their daily courses, being arrayed in long garments, in the temple of the Lord.

3 And he spake unto the Levites, the holy ministers of Israel, that they should hallow themselves unto the Lord, to set the holy ark of the Lord in the house that king Solomon the son of David had built;

4 And said, Ye shall no more bear the ark upon your shoulders: now therefore serve the Lord your God, and minister unto his people Israel, and prepare you after your families and kindreds,

5 According as David the king of Israel prescribed, and according to the magnificence of Solomon his son: and standing in the temple according to the several dignity of the families of you the Levites, who minister in the presence of your brethren the children of Israel,

6 Offer the passover in order, and make ready the sacrifices for your brethren, and keep the passover according to the commandment of the Lord, which was given unto Moses.

7 And unto the people that was found there Josias gave thirty thousand lambs and kids, and three thousand calves: these things were given of the king's allowance, according as he promised, to the people, to the priests, and to the Levites.

8 And Helkias, Zacharias, and Syelus, the governors of the temple, gave to the priests for the passover two thousand and six hundred sheep, and three hundred calves.

9 And Jeconias, and Samaias, and Nathanael his brother, and Assabias, and Ochiel, and Joram, captains over thousands, gave to the Levites for the passover five thousand sheep, and seven hundred calves.

10 And when these things were done, the priests and Levites, having the unleavened bread, stood in very comely order according to the kindreds.

11 And according to the several dignities of the fathers, before the people, to offer to the Lord, as it is written in the book of Moses: and thus did they in the morning.

12 And they roasted the passover with fire, as appertaineth: as for the sacrifices, they sod them in brass pots and pans with a good savour.

13 And set them before all the people: and afterward they prepared for themselves, and for the priests their brethren, the sons of Aaron.

14 For the priests offered the fat until night: and the Levites prepared for themselves, and the priests their brethren, the sons of Aaron.

15 The holy singers also, the sons of Asaph,

were in their order, according to the appointment of David, to wit, Asaph, Zacharias, and Jechuthan, who was of the king's retinue.

16 Moreover the porters were at every gate; it was not lawful for any to go from his ordinary service: for their brethren the Levites prepared for them.

17 Thus were the things that belonged to the sacrifices of the Lord accomplished in that day, that they might hold the passover,

18 And offer sacrifices upon the altar of the Lord, according to the commandment of king Josias.

19 So the children of Israel which were present held the passover at that time, and the feast of sweet bread seven days.

20 And such a passover was not kept in Israel since the time of the prophet Samuel.

21 Yea, all the kings of Israel held not such a passover as Josias, and the priests, and the Levites, and the Jews, held with all Israel that were found dwelling at Jerusalem.

22 In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josias was this passover kept.

23 And the works of Josias were upright before his Lord with an heart full of godliness.

24 As for the things that came to pass in his time, they were written in former times, concerning those that sinned, and did wickedly against the Lord above all people and kingdoms, and how they grieved him exceedingly, so that the words of the Lord rose up against Israel.

25 Now after all these acts of Josias it came to pass, that Pharaoh the king of Egypt came to raise war at Carchamis upon Euphrates: and Josias went out against him.

26 But the king of Egypt sent to him, saying, What have I to do with thee, O king of Judea?

27 I am not sent out from the Lord God against thee: for my war is upon Euphrates: and now the Lord is with me, yea, the Lord is with me hastening me forward: depart from me, and be not against the Lord.

28 Howbeit Josias did not turn back his chariot from him, but undertook to fight with him, not regarding the words of the prophet Jeremy spoken by the mouth of the Lord.

29 But joined battle with him in the plain of Magiddo, and the princes came against king Josias.

30 Then said the king unto his servants, Carry me away out of the battle; for I am very weak. And immediately his servants took him away out of the battle.

31 Then gat he up upon his second chariot; and being brought back to Jerusalem died, and was buried in his father's sepulchre.

32 And in all Jewry they mourned for

Vatican Council of 1870, is that these books are equal with the rest of Scripture and pronounce a curse upon anyone who does not accept this view.

2) Early Protestant view that while the Apocrypha is not to be considered equal with the rest of Scripture it is useful and good for devotional reading.

3) Later Protestant view rejects totally the Apocrypha and in fact the term Apocryphal has taken on a pejorative connotation.

4) Modern view rejects the authority of the Apocrypha as Scripture, but does see value in the historical content for gaining an understanding of the times in which they were written.

The Apocryphal books are:

- I & II Esdras
- Tobit
- Judith
- Wisdom of Solomon
- Ecclesiasticus
- Baruch
- The Letter of Jeremiah
- The Prayer of Azariah
- Susanna, Bel and the Dragon
- The Prayer of Manasseh
- I & II Maccabees



## **The Pseudepigrapha**

Intertestamental literature not accepted into the Christian or Jewish canon of Scripture and often attributed to an ancient hero of faith.

Pseudepigrapha means "writings falsely attributed." Ongoing discovery and research provide differing lists of contents. A recent publication listed 52 writings. Some of the writings are anonymous; thus some scholars prefer the name "outside books" for all of these writings, emphasizing that they did not become part of canon.

Some ancient Christians and the Roman church have used the term "Apocrypha," since for them what Protestants call Apocrypha is part of their canon.

Twelve of the Pseudepigraphical books are:

- First Enoch
- Second Enoch
- Second Baruch
- The Sibylline Oracles
- The Testament of Moses
- The Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs
- The Book of Jubilees
- The Psalms of Solomon
- Third Maccabees
- Fourth Maccabees
- The Life of Adam and Eve
- The Letter of Aristeas

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## **Outline of the New Testament - Four Divisions**

### **1. Gospels**

1) Matthew -

2) Mark -

3) Luke -

4) John -

### **2. Historical**

5) Acts -

### **3. Pauline Epistles**

a) Church Epistles

6) Romans -

Chapters 1-11

Chapters 12-16

7) I Corinthians -

8) II Corinthians -

9) Galatians -

10) Ephesians -

    Chapters 1-3

    Chapters 3-6

11) Philippians -

12) Colossians -

13) I Thessalonians -

14) II Thessalonians -

    b) Pastoral Epistles

15) I Timothy -

16) II Timothy -

17) Titus -

18) Philemon -

c) Special Epistle

19) Hebrews -



#### **4. General Epistles**

20) James -

21) I Peter -

22) II Peter -

23) I John -

24) II John -

25) III John -

26) Jude -

#### **5. Prophecy**

27) Revelation -



**TEST: BIBLE SURVEY QUIZ**

Place the books in the correct order under the categories *on the following page*.

	Acts
	Amos
	Colossians
	Daniel
	Deuteronomy
	Ecclesiastes
	Ephesians
	Esther
	Exodus
	Ezekiel
	Ezra
	Galatians
	Genesis
	Habakkuk
	Haggai
	Hebrews
	Hosea
	I Corinthians
	I Samuel
	I Thessalonians
	I Timothy
	I Kings

	I Chronicles
	I Peter
	I John
	II Samuel
	II Kings
	II Chronicles
	II Thessalonians
	II Timothy
	II Corinthians
	II John
	II Peter
	III John
	Isaiah
	James
	Jeremiah
	Job
	Joel
	John
	Jonah
	Joshua
	Jude
	Judges

	Lamentations
	Leviticus
	Luke
	Malachi
	Mark
	Matthew
	Micah
	Nahum
	Nehemiah
	Numbers
	Obadiah
	Philemon
	Philippians
	Proverbs
	Psalms
	Revelation
	Romans
	Ruth
	Song of Solomon
	Titus
	Zechariah
	Zephaniah

**Place the books of the Bible in the correct division and order:**

**Old Testament**

**Pentateuch**

**Historical**

**Poetical**

**Prophets**

***Major***

***Minor***

**New Testament**

**Gospels**

**Historical**

**Epistles**

***Church***

***Pastoral***

***General***

**Prophecy**



## ASSIGNMENT: BEGIN READING MANNERS AND CUSTOMS

Begin reading **“The New Manners and Customs of Bible Times”** by Ralph Gower.

Read through and look up all Scripture references.

Write down any questions you have so you can ask them in class.

Final Test will include questions from this assignment.

The entire book needs to be read by the time the class gets to Bible Study Methods and Tools.

Pay attention to the side bars as you read!

## SESSION 4, PART 1 - AUTHENTICITY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

- Internal Proofs or Evidences for Belief
- Theistic View - Given by God then Kept by God
- Theme: God's Plan of Salvation
- Purity of Doctrine and Ethics
- Harmony with Empirical Science
- Diversity of Human Authorship (for both OT & NT)
- Fulfilled Prophecy

- Internal proofs or evidences for belief
- External proofs
- Methods of transmission
- Writing materials used to record Scripture
- Languages of the OT
- Translation of the OT Hebrew into Greek
- Canon of the OT



### **Internal Proofs**

- Theistic View – Given by God then kept by God
- Theists believe that God has chosen to reveal Himself

We believe:

- Unity of Theme & Extent of Scope
- Main Theme:

Scope: Broadness of Coverage

Purity of Doctrine and Ethics

Harmony with Empirical Science

Diversity of Human Authorship for both OT and NT

Fulfilled Prophecy

Israel

The Nations

Amazing Prophecy: 100 years before Babylon becomes a nation, 150 years before Jerusalem taken captive.

Reared by a shepherd after his grandfather, the king of Media, ordered that he be killed.

As an adult, Cyrus organized the Persians into an army and revolted against his grandfather and father. He defeated them and claimed their throne. Cyrus' military exploits have become legendary. However, he is best remembered for his policies of peace. His famous decree in 539 BC (2 Chron. 36:22-23; Ezra 1:1-4) freed the captives Babylon had taken during its harsh rule. Among these prisoners were the Jews taken from Jerusalem in 586 BC.

They were allowed to return to rebuild the Temple and city. Along with this freedom Cyrus restored the valuable treasures of the Temple taken during the Exile. Since the Jews had done well in Babylon financially, many of them did not want to return to the wastes of Judah. From these people Cyrus exacted a tax to help pay for the trip for those who did wish to rebuild Jerusalem.

Messiah

Gen 22:5

The NT serves as a proof and validation for the OT

## SESSION 4, PART 2 – AUTHENTICITY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

External Proofs

Archeology - Secular History - Jewish Nation - Jesus Quotes the OT

Apostles quote the OT - Early Church Fathers Quote the OT

Methods of Transmission

Writings Materials Used to Record Scripture

Languages of the Old Testament

Translation of the Old Testament Hebrew into Greek

Canon of the Old Testament

### External Proofs

Archeology

### Secular History

Jewish Nation

Jesus

Apostles

Early Church Fathers

Gospel of Jesus



### Method of Transmission

Autographs & Manuscripts

Autographs

The Original MSS of the OT (autographa) are not available

Used, Worn out, Destroyed

Copied and Recopied

MSS

The Hebrew text is amply represented by both pre- and post-Christian MSS



The first collection of Hebrew MSS made by Benjamin Kennicott (1776-80), published by Oxford, listed 615 MSS of the OT.

Later Giovanni de Rossi (1784-88) published a list of 731 MSS. The main MSS discoveries in modern times are:

The Cairo Geniza (1890). In the Cairo synagogue attic store room alone were discovered some 200,000 MSS and fragments. 10,000 of these are Biblical.

The Dead Sea Scrolls discovered between 1947 and 1960 in a cave on the western Dead Sea shore near a ruin called Khirbet Qumran. Eleven caves from the Qumran area have since yielded manuscripts, mostly in small fragments.

These date between 200 B.C. and A.D. 70, mostly around the lifetime of Jesus.

They comprise three main kinds of literature:

1. Copies of Old Testament books, the oldest we now possess;
2. Some non-biblical Jewish books known from elsewhere (such as First Enoch and Jubilees);
3. The Essenes community's own compositions, including: biblical commentaries (for example, on Habakkuk and Nahum), which interpret biblical prophecies as applying to the community and its times; rules of community conduct; and liturgical writings such as prayers and hymns.

**The Dead Sea Scroll Old Testament (DSS. OT) essentially the same as our modern OT!**

The total number of OT Hebrews MSS fragments throughout the world is enormous!

**Since we no longer have the original manuscripts how can we be sure that the manuscript copies we have are still the Word of God?**

### **Textual Transmission**

How can we be sure that our present MSS are reliable?

To answer this question, we need to explore the way scribes copied the original manuscripts of the Old Testament and passed the copies along to us. Scholars call this process textual transmission.



## Scribes

- When the Old Testament writers finished their scrolls, there were no copying machines or printing presses to duplicate their writing for the public. They depended on scribes - men who patiently copied the Scriptures by hand when extra copies were needed and when the original scrolls became too worn to use any longer. The scribes attempted to make exact copies of the original scrolls, and the scribes who followed them attempted to make exact copies of the copies.
- By the time Jesus was born, the most recent Old Testament book (Malachi) had been copied and recopied over a span of more than four hundred years; the books that Moses wrote had been copied this way for more than fourteen hundred years. Yet during that time the scribes guarded the Old Testament text very well.

## Sopherim

Jeremiah is the first to mention the scribes as a professional group in Jer. 8:8

- The Hebrew word sopherim literally means "the counters"; the early scribes earned this title because they counted every letter of every book of Scripture to make sure they didn't leave out anything.
- Before he began his work each day, the scribe would test his reed pen by dipping it in ink and writing the name Amalek, then crossing it out (cf. Deut. 25:19). Then he would say, "I am writing the Torah in the name of its sanctity and the name of God in its sanctity."
- The scribe would read a sentence in the manuscript he was copying, repeat it aloud, and then write it. Each time he came to the name of God, he would say, "I am writing the name of God for the holiness of His name." If he made an error in writing God's name, he had to destroy the entire sheet of papyrus or vellum that he was using.
- After the scribe finished copying a particular book, he would count all of the words and letters it contained. Then he checked this tally against the count for the manuscript that he was copying. He counted the number of times a particular word occurred in the book, and he noted the middle word and the middle letter in the book, comparing all of these with his original. By making these careful checks, he hoped to avoid any scribal errors.

**Writing Materials**

Clay tablets – Not Very portable

Papyrus – Not Very Durable

Vellum – Both Portable and Durable

Paper – Not available

Scrolls and Codices (Codex) – Two Binding Methods

Disposal – Unrepairable Copies Destroyed

## Languages of the Old Testament

### 1. Hebrew

- a. Simple language
- b. Biblical Hebrew has a very small vocabulary
- c. Built on three letter root words  
three Hebrew consonants  
carry the idea of holiness:

קדש

(note that Hebrew reads right to left)

We will use phonemes from English (the basic symbols that represent sounds) to represent those Hebrew characters:

קדש q d sh

קדש = qdsh = the idea of holiness

qadosh = holy

qodesh = holiness

qadash = he was holy

yiqdosh = he will be holy

eqadash = I will be holy

qidshu = be ye holy

qaddeshu = make holy

Meqaddesh = making holy

yithqaddashu = they will sanctify themselves

None of the vowel sounds were written. They had to be supplied by the reader from memory!

קדש

The q d sh sounds could represent:

holy, holiness, he was holy, he will be holy,

I will be holy, be ye holy, make holy,

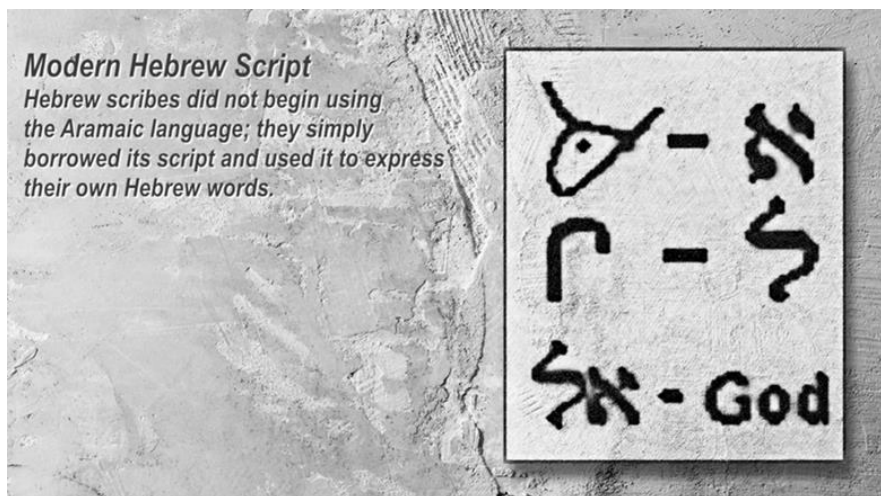
making holy, they will sanctify themselves

Even though it was a simple language, with a limited vocabulary Biblical Hebrew required the reader to know the content first in order to be able to read it!

## Languages of the OT

From the time King David, the sopherim had used a round Paleo-Hebrew (early Hebrew) script to copy the Old Testament manuscripts, because they could write it on parchment, unlike the wedge-shaped cuneiform script of the Canaanites.

An important change in the Hebrew language occurred around 500 BC. Aramaic had become the common language of commerce and education in the Near East. The sopherim began using a square Aramaic script that they learned during their Exile in Babylon.



Papyrus manuscripts from a Jewish colony on Elephantine Island (in the N Delta) prove that the old cursive script was no longer used in 250 BC. The Dead Sea scrolls cover this period of transition; some of these are written in the rounded Paleo-Hebrew script, but most are in the square Aramaic.

Note that Hebrew scribes did not begin using the Aramaic language; they simply borrowed its script and used it to express their own Hebrew words. They could do this because both Hebrew and Aramaic were Semitic languages, and their scripts stood for the same alphabet, which in turn signified many of the same sounds in both languages. (We see a modern example of this in English and French. Since they were both shaped by the same classical language, Latin, their alphabets and some of their sounds are the same.)

When Hebrew scribes had borrowed the Aramaic script, they also started borrowing Aramaic words and phrases to express traditional Hebrew ideas just as we commonly use the French words *coiffure* and *lingerie*). Gradually they came to insert Aramaic words into the text to take the place of older Hebrew words that they no longer used. And sometimes they added editorial notes in Aramaic to clarify what the text said; Jeremiah 10:11 is such a note.

### **Vowels**

Paleo-Hebrew had no vowels, and early scribes probably used dots to separate their words, as the Phoenicians did. They did not put spaces between words, as we do. In the tenth century BC, the Arameans (who lived in what is now Syria) had begun putting special letters at the end of each word to indicate final long vowels.

Two centuries later, Moabites of Canaan began doing the same, and they passed the idea on to the Hebrew scribes.

After the Exile, Hebrew scribes began to associate four of the Hebrew consonants with

vowel sounds **aleph** א = a **heh** ה = e **vav** ו = o **yud** י = i

Language experts call these letters the *matres lectionis* (Latin, "mothers of reading"). But the Hebrew scribes did not develop a system for showing the vowel sounds until after AD 500.

A person who read an Old Testament manuscript in the time of Jesus found a continuous string of letters, and had only the three simple devices (dots between words, final long vowels, and the matres lectionis) to guide him in identifying, breaking up and pronouncing the words. He had to supply a good deal, in fact, from memory.

For example, let us say we were going to write Isaiah 61:1 (in English) the way it would have appeared in the scroll that Jesus read in the synagogue of Nazareth (Luke 4: 18): "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me ..." If we use the letters from our English translation but write it in the old Hebrew style, it would look something like this

**TH.SPRT.F.TH.LRD.S.PN.M.BCS.H.H.NNTD.M.**

That's not easy to read, is it? But Hebrew and other Semitic languages ran from right to left; so to get a better picture of what the verse looked like, try this:

**.M.DTNN.H.H.SCB.M.NP.S.DRL.HT.F.TRPS.HT**

### **Aramaic**

Language close to Hebrew

Became the spoken language of Jews in Palestine

Six chapters of Daniel and four chapters of Ezra



### **Septuagint**

The Old Testament has come down to us in other languages besides Hebrew and Aramaic. After 300 BC, Greek versions began to appear.

A community of 70 Greek-speaking Jewish scholars in Alexandria compiled a Greek version of the Old Testament called the Septuagint or LXX.

### **Cannon of O.T.**

Definition:

- Greek
- Hebrew

Confirmed by:



## **ASSIGNMENT: CONTINUE ASSIGNED READING OUTSIDE OF CLASS**

Continue reading **'The New Manners and Customs of Bible Times'** and finish before Mid-Term Test.



## SESSION 5, PART 1 – AUTHENTICITY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

### Internal Proofs

- Theistic View
- Theme and Scope
- Fulfilled Prophecy

### External Proofs

- Apostolic Martyrs – eye witnesses sealing their testimony with their blood
- Early Christian Martyrs – close enough to verify and convinced enough to die
- Historical Corroboration – Josephus, Tacitus, etc.
- Existence and Persistence of the Church

### Internal Proofs

The new is in the old contained, the old is in the new explained.

#### Fulfilled Prophecy

Genesis 3:15 ➔ “seed of a woman” Luke 2:7; Galatians 4:4

Genesis 12:3 ➔ “descendant of Abraham” Matthew 1:1; Acts 3:25; Galatians 3:16

Genesis 17:19 ➔ “descendant of Isaac” Matthew 1:2; Romans 9:7

Numbers 24:17 ➔ “descendant of Jacob” Matthew 1:2

Genesis 49:10 ➔ “descendant of Judah” Matthew 1:2

Isaiah 11:1 ➔ “descendant of Jesse” Matthew 1:6

Isaiah 9:7 ➔ “heir to the throne of David” Matthew 1:1; 1:6

Micah 5:2 ➔ “born in Bethlehem” Matthew 2:1

Isaiah 7:14 ➔ “born to a virgin” Matthew 1:18

Hosea 11:1 ➔ “called out of Egypt” Matthew 2:14-21

Isaiah 9:1b-2 ➔ “ministry in Galilee” Matthew 4:12-16

Deuteronomy 18:15 ➔ “ministered as a prophet” John 6:14

- Psalm 110:4 ➔ “ministered as a priest (though not a Levite)” Hebrews 5:1-10; 7:1-28
- Isaiah 53:3 ➔ “rejected by the Jews” John 1:11; 5:43; Luke 23:18; Acts 3:14-15
- Isaiah 11:2 ➔ “Spirit of wisdom and understanding” Matthew 13:54
- Isaiah 35:5-6 ➔ “deaf, dumb, blind and lame healed” Luke 7:22
- Isaiah 61:1 ➔ “good news preached to the poor and broken hearted” Luke 7:22
- Zechariah 9:9 ➔ “humble entry on a donkey” John 12:13-14
- Psalm 41:9 ➔ “betrayed by a friend” Mark 14:10
- Zechariah 11:12 ➔ “sold for 30 pieces of silver” Matthew 26:15
- Zechariah 11:13 ➔ “money cast down in temple” Matthew 27:5
- Zechariah 11:13 ➔ “money given to a potter” Matthew 27:7
- Isaiah 53:8 ➔ “condemned without a fair trial” Matthew 27:1
- Psalm 35:11-12 ➔ “accused by false witnesses” Matthew 26:59-61
- Isaiah 50:6 ➔ “beaten and spit upon” Mark 14:65, Matthew 27:30
- Psalm 129:3 ➔ “scourged” John 19:1
- Psalm 102: ➔ “mocked” Matthew 27:29-31
- Psalm 22:6-8 ➔ “taunted with ‘No help from God for you!’” Matthew 27:39-43
- Psalm 22:16 ➔ “hands and feet pierced” John 19:23; 20:25
- Psalm 22:18 ➔ “clothing parceled out, but one piece gambled for whole” John 19:23-24
- Psalm 22:7 ➔ “insulted while dying with wagging heads and scorn” Matthew 27:39
- Isaiah 53:12 ➔ “crucified with sinners” Matthew 27:38
- Psalm 69: 21 ➔ “given gall and vinegar to drink” Matthew 27:34; 48
- Psalm 34:20 ➔ “no bones broken” John 19:33

Psalm 22:1 ➡ “forsaken of God” Matthew 27:46

Daniel 9:24-26 ➡ “died at the appointed time foretold to Daniel”

Seven seventies (490 years) is the determined time. The death of Christ happened at the Passover in the month Nisan, in the four thousand seven hundred and forty-sixth year of the Julian period. Four hundred and ninety years, reckoned back from the above year, leads us directly to the month Nisan in the four thousand two hundred and fifty-sixth year of the same period; the very month and year in which Ezra had his commission from Artaxerxes Longimanus, king of Persia, to restore and rebuild Jerusalem.

Isaiah 53:9 ➡ “buried in a rich man’s tomb” Matthew 27:57-60

Psalm 16:10 ➡ “raised from the dead” Matthew 28:5-9

Hosea 6:2 ➡ “rise from the dead on the third day” Matthew 27:57-28:6

Matthew 27:57-28:6

- Christ was in the tomb for the part of one day, a whole day and the part of another day... legally three days as reckoned by the Jews, but closer to two days if reckoned by the hour meter on the tomb.

### **External Proofs**

Apostolic Martyrs – eye witnesses sealing their testimony with their blood

Early Christian Martyrs – close enough to verify and convinced enough to die

Historical corroboration – Josephus, Tacitus, etc.

Existence and persistence of the Church

## SECTION 5, PART 2 – AUTHENTICITY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Canon of the New Testament

History of Transmission

Translations

Theories of Translation

Canon of the New Testament

Those writings included in Scripture

Greek "Kanon" - rod

Hebrew "qaun" - reed

Canon - Measuring device. Word used to describe those books of the Old and New Testament that measured up to the standard of Scripture.

Features of the New Testament Canon of Scripture

Must have Apostolic...

Canon Complete

## **History of Transmission**

Pre-Press

Post-Press

“Majority Text” or the Received Text

## **Translations**

Hegesippus quotes from Syriac Version about 150 AD

Jerome's Latin Vulgate

Dark Ages (1000 years of Church domination)

Wycliffe: Sponsored first complete translation of Bible into English (1383).

Tyndale: (1494-1536) English

religious reformer and martyr whose translation of the New Testament was the basis of the King James Bible.

King James: (1604) commissioned a translation that was completed in 1611

Many modern Translations based on the Wescott and Hort Greek text

## Theories of Translation

"Formal Equivalence": the translator attempts to render the exact words, form for form, or word for word of the original language into the receptor language.



### "Dynamic Equivalence"

The reproduction in a receptor language (e.g., English) of the closest natural equivalent of the source language (e.g., Hebrew or Greek) message, first in terms of meaning, and second in terms of style.

Examples:

Strictly literal:

- New American Standard Bible

Literal:

- New King James Version
- Revised Standard Version
- New American Bible

Literal with freedom to be idiomatic:

- New Revised Standard Version

Thought-for-thought:

- New International Version
- New Jerusalem Bible
- Revised English Bible
- New Jewish Version

Dynamic equivalent (modern speech):

- Today's English Version/Good News for Modern Man

Paraphrase:

- The Living Bible
- The Message Bible



## ASSIGNMENT: CONTINUE ASSIGNED READING OUTSIDE OF CLASS

Continue reading **'The New Manners and Customs of Bible Times'** and finish before Mid-Term Test.

## SESSION 6, PART 1 - INSPIRATION OF SCRIPTURE

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

- Revelation (review) – Truth Revealed
- Inspiration
- General Inspiration
- Special Inspiration
- Incorrect views on Special Inspiration
- Verbal Inspiration

Revelation (review) - Truth revealed / otherwise / unknown

General Revelation

Special Revelation

Inspiration

General inspiration

Special inspiration

Scripture:

***Jer 1:9 Then the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.***

***Tim 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.***

***Cor 2:13 (NIV) This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words.***

***2 Pet 1:20-21 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.***

Incorrect views on Special Inspiration

Thematic Inspiration –

Partial Inspiration –

Incomplete Inspiration –

Mechanical Inspiration –

Verbal Inspiration and Plenary Inspiration (Plenary will be covered in next session)

### **Verbal Inspiration**

Definition:

Examples:

#### **Each word**

Prov 30:5-6 (KJV) Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.

Prov 30:5-6, Rev 22:18-19, Deut 4:2

#### **Each tense**

Mat 22:31-32 (KJV) But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying, I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

#### **Each singular or plural**

Gal 3:16 (KJV vs. NIV) cf. Gen 13:15; 17:8

Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.

Write down the meaning of zerah

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Galatians 3:29

In Christ we are the seed.

**Each gender**

1 Tim 2:1 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

1 Tim 2:12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.

**Each number**

Rev 13:18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is six hundred threescore and six.

Look up Matthew 5:18

**REVIEW: WHAT ARE THE IMPLICATIONS OF VERBAL INSPIRATION?**

What are the implications of Verbal Inspiration?

What does it mean for Bible Study?

What does it mean for Christian Doctrine?

What does it mean for Church Practice?

What does it mean for Christian Living?

## SESSION 6, PART 2 - THE INSPIRATION OF SCRIPTURE

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

- Plenary Inspiration
- Proofs of Inspiration
- Methods of Special Inspiration
- The Bible Is Inspired – not the Bible characters

What are the implications of verbal inspiration?

What does that mean for Bible Study?

What does that mean for Christian doctrine, practice and living?



Plenary Inspiration Definition:

The whole of Scripture is inspired both in substance and in structure

Examples:

Exodus 34:27 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel.

***1 Chr 28:19 "All this," David said, "I have in writing from the hand of the LORD upon me, and he gave me understanding in all the details of the plan."***

***Luke 1:1-3 Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile an account of the things accomplished among us, just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word have handed them down to us, it seemed fitting for me as well, having investigated everything carefully from the beginning, to write it out for you in consecutive order, most excellent Theophilus; so that you might know the exact truth about the things you have been taught.***

***2 Tim 3:16 (NASB) All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness;***

## **REVIEW: PLENARY INSPIRATION**

What are the implications of Plenary Inspiration?

What does it mean for Bible Study?

What does it mean for Christian Doctrine?

What does it mean for Church Practice?

What does it mean for Christian Living?

**Proofs of Inspiration fall into two categories - internal and external**

### **Internal**

**LIGHT, FAITH, HOPE, LOVE, BLOOD, GRACE, WORD, JUST, PERFECT, ATONEMENT, COVENANT, ALTAR, SHED, WINE, DRUNKEN, PRAISE, PEACE, TITHES, VISION, SHEILD, REWARD, I AM, IMPUTED, RIGHTEOUSNESS, ANGEL OF THE LORD, WORSHIP, MERCY, FIRE, OBEY, SOW, SALVATION**

### **External**

## Methods of Special Inspiration

The Bible is inspired - not men - the Bible records the lies, mistakes, sins, etc. of men, but do not lie itself.

2 Peter 1:20-21 New King James Version (NKJV)

***<sup>20</sup> knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,  
<sup>21</sup> for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.***

## **REVIEW: METHODS OF INSPIRATION**

What are the implications of Methods Inspiration?

What does it mean for Bible Study?

What does it mean for Christian Doctrine?

What does it mean for Church Practice?

What does it mean for Christian Living?

## SESSION 7, PART 1 - THE AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Inspiration and Authority  
Pretenders to the Throne of Authority  
Supposed Contradictions in Scripture

### **Review**

Revelation – Truth Revealed  
General Revelation: nature, history, conscience  
Special Revelation: spoken, written, walking Word

### **Inspiration**

General Inspiration: to effect with emotion or thought  
Special Inspiration: process by which God conveyed the Special Revelation to man

### **Illumination –**

Look up the following:

John 16:13-14

1 Cor 2:10-13

1 John 2:27

### **Definition Review**

Infallible – cannot fail  
Inerrant – without error  
Immutable – cannot be changed  
Science books change their avowed theories  
Even religions change  
Because Scripture is God Breathed  
2 Timothy 3:16-17  
2 Timothy 4:1-2

**Authority -**

**Faith as Belief –**

**Faith as Doctrine –**

**Faith as Religion –**

**Authority for Practice –**

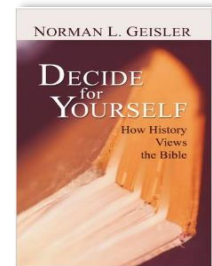
**Pretenders to the Throne**

**Supposed contradictions in Scripture  
Two views**

## SECTION 7, PART 2 - THE AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

- Apparent Factual Discrepancies
- Apparent Ethical Discrepancies
- Apologetics
- Historical Views on Inspiration
- Statement of Faith concerning Scripture



### **Apparent Factual Discrepancies**

### **Apparent Ethical Discrepancies**

### **Apologetics**

The study of defending Christian Doctrine



*'Decide for yourself- How History Views the Bible'*

Book by Norman Geisler ISBN 978-1592447831 Excellent summaries of each of these. Out of print, but available online used as of 2013 for less than \$15 at Amazon.com

**Views on inspiration**

Scripture – 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Early Church Fathers - Justin Martyr, Irenaeus, Tertullian

Medieval Fathers - Augustine, Thomas Aquinas

Reformation Fathers - Martin Luther, John Calvin

Orthodoxy - A.A. Hodge, B.B. Warfield

Liberalism - Harold DeWolfe, Harry Emerson Fosdick

Fundamentalism - John R. Rice

Neoorthodoxy - Karl Barth, Emil Brunner

Liberal-Evangelical - C.S. Lewis

Neoevangelical - G.C. Berkouwer, Jack Rogers (Fuller Seminary)

**Statement of Faith Concerning Scripture**

*"I believe in the verbal, plenary inspiration of the Bible and that it is the infallible, inerrant and immutable Word of God and the sole source of authority for all faith and practice."*

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – DOCTRINAL STATEMENT**

Does your church have a Doctrinal Statement?

What does it say about the Bible?

What do you believe about the Bible?

What English translation of the Bible do you use?

What Greek text is your English translation based on? Does illumination imply a private interpretation?

## **Machias Community Church Doctrinal Statement of Faith**

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God. II Tim. 3:16,17; II Peter 1:21
2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Gen. 1:26; Matt. 3:16; John 14:16
3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His substitutionary and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory. John 8:58; Heb. 9:11-14; Rom. 5:8; Acts 1:10,11
4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential. John 3:3
5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. John 14:25-26
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation. John 5:28
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ, who have the mutual responsibility of helping each other grown in grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ. Eph. 4:4-6; Gal. 6:1-10

## SESSION 8, PART 1 – INTRODUCTION TO HERMENEUTICS

At the end of this session, you will be able to answer the following:

- What is hermeneutics?
- Why is hermeneutics necessary?
- What is required of the Biblical interpreter?

### **2 Timothy 3:16**

#### ***New International Version (NIV)***

***<sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,***

### **Hermeneutics**

- What is hermeneutics?
- Why is hermeneutics necessary?
- What is required of the Biblical interpreter?
- What must be avoided for correct interpretation?
- What tools are required for correct interpretation?
- What preparation is necessary?
  - Word study
  - Twelve circumstantial questions to ask

### **What is Hermeneutics?**

Defined:

Described:

Decreed:

### **Why is Hermeneutics necessary?**

**Look up these Scriptures**

**Acts 20:29-30**

**2 Peter 2:1; 3:16**

**1 Timothy 4:1**

**2 Timothy 3:13**

**1 John 4:1**

**Jude 3 and 4**

**What are the necessary requirements of the Biblical interpreter?**

## SESSION 8, PART 2 – INTRODUCTION TO HERMENEUTICS

At the end of this session, you will be able to answer the following:

- What must be avoided for correct interpretation?
- What tools are required for correct interpretation?
- What preparation is necessary?

What must we avoid?

What tools and/or special knowledge is required?

Preparations for interpretation

Careful EXEGESIS: “What does the passage say?”

Before we can ask “what does it mean,” we must know what it says!

Twelve questions to answer

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.
- 11.
- 12.

## **DISCUSSION: HERMENEUTICS**

Twelve questions to answer. Before we can ask “what does it mean,” we must know what it says!

1. Who is speaking?
2. Who is being spoken to?
3. What is the occasion?
4. What is the intent of the speaker?
5. What is the response of the one(s) spoken to?
6. When is this occurring?
7. Where is this occurring?
8. Where does this appear in Scripture?
9. Are there any parallel passages?
10. Are there any significant numbers?
11. Are there any repeated phrases, words or themes?
12. How is the speaker speaking: plainly or with figures of speech?

## SESSION 8, PART 3 – HERMENEUTICS: FIGURES OF SPEECH

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:



### Introduction to Figures of Speech

- A. There are over 200 distinct figures of speech some of which have 30-40 variations!
- B. Figures may be classified as to whether they affect the words or affect the thought.
- C. THREE Classification of figures of speech:
  - 1. Figures involving omission (ellipsis) where something is omitted in the words themselves or in the sense conveyed by them.
  - 2. Figures involving addition (pleonasm) where words are added by way of repetition, amplification.
  - 3. Figures involving change where words are changed in meaning, order and application.
- D. If you fail to take into account figures of speech you will misinterpret Scripture!

### Understanding figures of speech

**Simile** - expressed comparison between two objects

Jeremiah 23:29 "Is not My word like a fire?" says the LORD, "And like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

**Metaphor** - implied comparison between two objects

Matthew 5:13-16 "You are the salt of the earth... you are the light of the world."

**Allegory** - various metaphors united in story form

John 6:51-65 "I am the living bread... eat my flesh... drink my blood... 'hard saying'... these words are spirit."

**Fable** - narrative allegory using personification

2 Kings 14:9 Jehoash king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, "The thistle that was in Lebanon sent to the cedar that was in Lebanon, saying, 'Give your daughter to my son as wife'; and a wild beast that was in Lebanon passed by and trampled the thistle."



**Anthropomorphism** - Ascribing human attributes to God

Psalm 89:13 You have a mighty arm; Strong is Your hand, and high is Your right hand.

**Personification** - ascribing personal attributes to animals or inanimate objects

Numbers 16:32 the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households and all the men with Korah, with all their goods.

**Apostrophe** - turning away from those addressed to speak to another

Psalms 33:20-22 Our soul waits for the LORD; He is our help and our shield. For our heart shall rejoice in Him, Because we have trusted in His Holy Name.

Let Your mercy, O LORD, be upon us, Just as we hope in You.

**Parenthesis** - turning away from the subject to add an explanation

Hebrews 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. (Can turn into a digression if subject changes or the parenthesis is not closed.)

**Digression** - the subject actually changes to another subject. Sometimes what starts as a Parenthesis ends up becoming a Digression if there is no return to the original subject.

**Interrogatory** - affirmation expressed in the form of a question sometimes called a rhetorical question

1189 chapters in the Bible

3298 questions (English)

Only 453 chapters do not have a question

In NT 260 chapters

In NT 1024 questions!

Study of classes of interrogatories in the Bible is huge!

Positive affirmation, negative affirmation, affirmative negation, demonstration, reproaches, absurdities, etc.

Example of the Affirmative Negation:

Genesis 18:14 Is anything too hard for the LORD?

**Hyperbole** – exaggeration to make a point

Judges 7:12 Now the Midianites and Amalekites, all the people of the East, were lying in the valley as numerous as locusts; and their camels were without number, as the sand by the seashore in multitude.

**Irony** - words mean their exact opposite

Ecclesiastes 11:9 Rejoice, O young man, in your youth, And let your heart cheer you in the days of your youth; Walk in the ways of your heart, And in the sight of your eyes; But know that for all these God will bring you into judgment. (Luke 12:20 - Jesus calls that man a fool)

**Metonymy** - "other name"

e.g., the White House said = it really means the administration

1. Cause stands for effect & vice versa

Mark 9:17 A mute spirit = demon caused muteness

2. Subject stands for associated idea or circumstance

Psalm 23:5 table = provision full cup = abundance

3. Sign spoken of stands for thing signified

Gen 49:10 scepter = kingship / Judah = Judah's descendant(s)

**Synecdoche** - Part for whole or vice versa

John 13:14 If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

**Enigma** - allegory in the form of a riddle

Judges 14:14 eater>eats strong>sweets; Rev 13:18 666

**Type** - metaphor using persons or objects to foreshadow

John 3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up,

**Symbol** - represents something else by association, resemblance, or convention, especially a material object used to represent something invisible. Daniel's vision the beast/horns = kingdoms/kings

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**Parable** - story of natural events illustrating truth

Matt 13:3-8 Parable of the sower

**Antithesis**- impressing truth through contrasting expressions

Matt 7:13-14 Narrow vs. Wide gate / path

**Climax** - impressing truth through an ascending order of rhetorical intensity

Rom 8:29-30 foreknown>predestined>called>justified>glorified

**Proverb** - poetic form consisting of two parallelisms:

1. a) synonymous – both saying the same thing
2. b) antithetical – one positive the other negative
3. c) synthetic - one leading into the other

**Apothegm** – short pithy, witty saying

Luke 4:23 You will surely say this proverb to Me, "Physician, heal yourself!"

Assuredly, I say to you, "No prophet is accepted in his own country."

**Acrostic** - arrangement of words based on first letter

Ps 119 is an acrostic using the Hebrew alphabet starting with aleph beth gimel dalet etc.

**Paradox** - truths that appear to be mutually exclusive.

Matt 8:22 But Jesus said to him, "Follow Me, and let the dead bury their own dead."

**Chiasm** – A chiasm is a writing style that uses a unique repetition pattern for clarification and/or emphasis

Correspondence

Parallelism

Alternation

Introverted

Complex

Comes from the Greek letter X (chi)

Galatians 2:16

knowing that a man is justified

not by the works of the law

but [ justified ] by faith in Jesus Christ,

even we have believed in Christ Jesus,

that we might be justified by faith in Christ

and not by the works of the law;

for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.

**Ellipsis** - something is missing! You the reader must supply it. In the example of a Chiasm there was a word missing in Galatians 2:16 that the attentive reader would automatically supply. Some translations supply the Ellipsis and indicate it by putting the text in *italics* but [ justified ] by faith in Jesus Christ

This is not adding to the Word of God! To not supply the Ellipsis would actually be taking away from the Word of God!

BUT – Who supplies the Ellipsis?

## SESSION 8, PART 4 – HERMENEUTICS: IDIOMATIC USAGE

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Idiomatic usage

“Hebraisms” and Greek idioms

Things to note when studying scripture:

“Hebraisms” and Greek idioms

Idioms are sayings where the words do not convey their usual meaning:

“Step on it”

“Get the lead out”

“Shake a leg”

These all mean hurry, but cannot be taken literally.

Knowing the idiom is essential to understanding the meaning.

Those who are ignorant of Hebrew and Greek idioms make many mistakes trying to understand what the Bible is saying!

Identify multiple names for the same person place or thing

Identify multiple persons, places or things with the same name

Note lists enumerated or otherwise

Note repeated words or phrases



## TEST: FIGURE OF SPEECH QUIZ

Using the definition of Figures of Speech, identify, the figures of speech used by Jesus in Matthew 7.

FIGURES OF SPEECH Quiz - indicate verse(s) from Matthew 7 for each:

**Verse:**

**Figure:**

Acrostic

Antithesis

Antithetical Proverb

Apostrophe

Climax

Hyperbole

Interrogation

Irony

Metaphor

Parable

Simile

Synecdoche

Synthetic Proverb

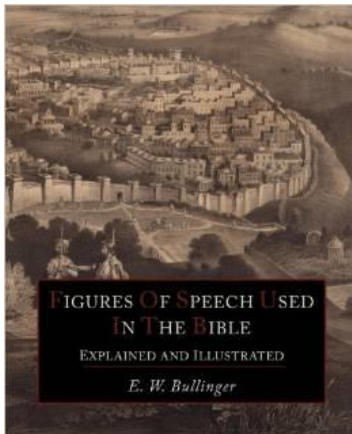
Extra credit: **Chiasm** \_\_\_\_\_ ; **Ellipsis** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Book to Study**

“Figures of Speech in the Bible Explained and Illustrated” by Ethelbert Bullinger

**ISBN-13:** 978-1614271949

Bullinger sets out 217 distinct figures of speech present in Scripture. He gives for each the pronunciation and etymology of its name, and then a number of passages of Scripture in which it appears, accompanied by a full explanation.





## SESSION 9 - HERMENEUTICS: RULES OF INTERPRETATION

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

The fundamental principle of hermeneutics  
Seven rules of hermeneutics

The FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE in Biblical Interpretation  
Scripture is its own best interpreter/commentator  
*"Comparing Spiritual things with Spiritual Things" - 1 Cor 2:13*

Linear hermeneutic not circular.

### SEVEN RULES OF HERMENEUTICS

1. TAKE THE WORDS IN THEIR USUAL AND ORDINARY SENSE

2. TAKE THE WORDS IN THE SENSE THAT THE WRITER NORMALLY USED THEM

3. TAKE THE WORDS IN THE SENSE THAT THE PHRASE INDICATES also called the "SHORT CONTEXT"

Examples of context-sensitive words:

The word "Faith" ***system of belief or act of trusting***

The word "Salvation" ***from disease or from sin***

The word "Grace" ***free, unmerited favor or God-given gift / ability / ministry***

The word "Flesh" ***meat, tissue or sin nature***

The word "Blood" ***red, viscose liquid or life***

**Example: the Greek word Koinonia/Koinonos**

**Communion**

**Partake**

**Participation**

**Partnership**

**Fellowship**

**Benevolence**

**Contribution**

**Distribution(OKJV) / Sharing**

**Communication / Sharing**

**Communicating / Sharing**

**Partakers**

**Companions**

**Partner(s)**

4. TAKE THE WORDS IN CONTEXT also called the "LONG CONTEXT"

Example: the word "mystery" Eph 3:3

How that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already)

The whole passage from Ephesians 1-3 (specifically 1:9 to 3:12) explains what is meant by the word 'mystery' and we understand that it was something that had been unknown, but was now being made known – not 'mysterious' – Not mystery religion

5. CONSIDER THE OBJECT OR DESIGN OF THE PASSAGE

a) general purpose of the writer - stated or unstated

b) specific purpose - stated or unstated  
what is the point of view?

For example John, in his gospel toward the end, says,  
"and truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name." John 20:30-31

6. CONSULT PARALLEL PASSAGES

a) Quotes: Where Scripture quotes Scripture NT<OT

b) Exact parallels: Less specific than a quote but directly addressing the same subject  
Treasury of Scripture Knowledge / Nave's Topical Bible

c) Inexact or incomplete parallels: Where the subject is addressed elsewhere indirectly or even antithetically.

## 7. RECOGNIZE PARALLEL EXCLUSION

- a) Any Bible doctrine is a doctrine of the whole Bible  
Plenary Inspiration gives us this 'negative' rule
  
- b) Note any lack of parallel passages in the rest of Scripture  
Such lack would advise extreme caution  
Remember the fundamental principle:  
The Bible is its own best Interpreter/Commentator
  
- c) 'Proof Texting' is not valid – Do not take a single verse and attempt to use it to validate a peculiar doctrine or teaching!

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## TEST: HERMENEUTICS

All tests and quizzes are open book and open notes. Rote memorization for a test is soon forgotten. The idea is to learn how to use available resources.

**Give four reasons why Hermeneutics is necessary.**

**Give three necessary requirements of the Biblical interpreter.**

**List two things we must avoid as interpreters of the Bible.**

**What tools and/or special knowledge is required? Name one of each.**

**List six of the twelve questions to answer before interpretation begins.**

**What is THE fundamental principle in Biblical interpretation?**

**Give the name and explain three figures of speech used in the Bible.**

**List and explain the seven rules of Hermeneutics below:**

## SESSION 10, PART 1 – TYPOLOGY

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

- Typology (definition)
- The relationship between OT & NT typology
- The relationship between the type and antitype
- Scriptural foundation for typology

Explore relationship between OT & NT typology

From a Scriptural perspective

Fundamental Principle of Hermeneutics: Bible is its own best Interpreter / Commentator

Definition of Typology: a type is an Old Testament person, place, thing, or occurrence that *prefigures* a person, place, thing, or occurrence found in the New Testament called the antitype.

acronym PPTO

an OT example is a type

the prefix anti in this case means 'instead of' rather than 'against'

Scriptural Foundation for Typology

I Cor 10:6-11 EXAMPLES - TUPOS (too-pas) a die struck to leave an imprint.

Paul begins and ends this passage with the tupos translated examples.

In between he gives four examples from the OT of God's people suffering judgment because of sin.

Hebrews is the NT book of Typology.

Heb. 8:5 EXAMPLE/COPY - hupodeigma (hoop-od'-igue-mah) an exhibit for imitation or warning. SHADOW - SKIA (skee'-ah) a shadow. PATTERN - TUPOS as above.

A **type** is a example, a copy, a shadow, a pattern.

It is not the important thing, it is pointing to the important thing:

the **anti-type**



Heb 9:9 FIGURE/ILLUSTRATION - PARABOLE (para-bo-lay) a simulation.

Heb 10:1 SHADOW - SKIA (skee-ah) as above.

Col 2:17 SHADOW - SKIA as above.

Luke 24:27; 44 - John 5:39 the Bible is CRISTO-CENTRIC

What did Jesus think of Typology?

Did Jesus teach using Typology?

Luke 24:27

And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me."

John 5:39

You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.

The Bible is Christocentric

The correct way to use the OT is to demonstrate Jesus.

He is the one casting the shadow!

Two varieties of Types

Strong Type:

Antithetical Type:

**Types and Antitypes - Examples:**

<b>The Strong Type - Strong Similarity</b>	
<b>Isaac</b>	<b>Jesus</b>
Promised Child	Promised Child
Born Contrary to Nature	Born Contrary to Nature
Heir to the Promise	Heir to the Promise
Offered by Father	Offered by Father
A Willing Sacrifice	A Willing Sacrifice
Mount Moriah	Mount Calvary
Restored to Father	Restored to Father

<b>The Antithetical Type - Sharp Contrast</b>	
<b>Moses</b>	<b>Jesus</b>
Law Jn 1:17	Grace & Truth Jn 1:17-18
Fading Glory II Cor 3:7	Increasing Glory II Cor 3:6
People Ran from Him Ex 34:30	People Ran to Him Mark 9:15
Kills a Man Ex 2:12	Resurrects a Man John 11:43
Turns Water to Blood Ex 7:20	Turns Water to Wine Jn 2:1-10
Unable to Save Jer 15:1	Saves to the Uttermost Heb 7:25
Servant in the House Heb 3:5	Son over the House Heb 3:5-6
Law Broken in Hands Ex 32:19	Law Kept in Heart PS 40:8
Gave Earthly Bread Jn 6:31	Gave Heavenly Bread Jn 6:33
Prayed for a Leper Nu 12:15	Healed a Leper Matt 8:2-3
1st Passover Heb 11:28	Last Passover Lu 22:15
40 days on a Mountain Top and Was Visited by God Ex 34:28	40 days in the Desert and was Visited by the Devil Matt 4:2

## SESSION 10, PART 2 – TYPOLOGY

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Classifications of Types  
Rules for Interpreting Types  
Numerology

Classification of types:

PERSONS:

INSTITUTIONS:

OFFICES:

EVENTS:

OBJECTS:

ACTIONS:

## Interpreting Types

### Numerology

Definition: The study of the spiritual significance of numbers

Danger:

### Assignments: TAKE HOME MID-TERM AND COMPLETE STRONG TYPE

Take home Mid-Term Review (Test)

It is open book test that you can finish at home.

Complete The Strong Type of Joseph: find and record the NT fulfillment of Jesus



## TEST: MID-TERM REVIEW

### Open book, open notes

#### 24 Definitions for the 24 Fingers and Toes of the Son of Rapha:

1. General Revelation:
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3. Special Inspiration:
4. Illumination:
5. Torah:
6. Pentateuch:
7. Apocrypha:
8. Pseudepigrapha:
9. Sopherim:
10. Papyrus:
11. Vellum:
12. Septuagint:

13. Canon of Scripture:

14. Verbal Inspiration:

15. Plenary Inspiration:

16. Infallible:

17. Inerrant:

18. Immutable:

19. Hermeneutics:

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21. Parallel Exclusion:

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23. Antitype:

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Acrostic \_\_\_\_\_

Antithesis \_\_\_\_\_

Antithetical Proverb \_\_\_\_\_

Apostrophe \_\_\_\_\_

Climax \_\_\_\_\_

Fable \_\_\_\_\_

Hyperbole \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Scripture is its own \_\_\_\_\_.

**1 Essay Question for the 1 True God:**

Write out your doctrinal statement of faith concerning the Bible:

The amazing Strong Type of Joseph is even more remarkable in that it is not mentioned as a type in the New Testament. It was left for us to discover its marvelous fulfillment in Jesus.



**ASSIGNMENT: STRONG TYPE OF JOSEPH - FIND THE FULFILLMENT CONCERNING JESUS**

<b>The Strong Type Of Joseph</b>		
	<b>Supply Scripture:</b>	
<b>COMPARE - Genesis &amp; Gospels</b>	<b>Joseph</b>	<b>Jesus</b>
Shepherd	37:2	
Beloved Son	37:3	
Father/Mother Noted His Words	37:11	
Did His Father's Will	37:13	
Sent to Brethren	37:14	
Sought Out His Brethren	37:16	
Hated by Brethren	37:4	
Plotted Against By His Brethren	37:18	
A Timid Attempt to Deliver Him	37:21-30	
Stripped of His Robe	37:23	
Held Captive	37:24	
Tormentors Sat & Watched	37:25	
Jude Sold Him	37:26	
Sold for Pieces of Silver	37:28	
Gentiles Carried Him Away	37:28	
A Faithful Servant	39:1-2	
Tempted without Sin	39:8-9	
Suffered Though Innocent	37--41	
Identified w/ Two Condemned Men	40:2-4	
Saved One of Them	40:5-22	
All Astonished at His Wisdom	41:39	
All Had to Bow to His Authority	41:43	
Savior of the World <u>in his 30's!!!</u>	41:46-57	
Brothers Blessed for His Sake	45:16-23	
Gentile Bride	41:50	
Forgiving Spirit	50:14-21	

## **SESSION 11, PART 1 - REVIEW OF JOSEPH AND JESUS WORKSHEET**

At the end of this session, you will have completed the following:

A review of the Jesus and Joseph worksheet.

Use your worksheet on the previous page and follow along with the video to check your answers.

The New Testament writers used the Old Testament typology to demonstrate that Jesus is the Christ.

What do you think of the fact that none of the New Testament writers mentioned the strong type of Joseph?

Why didn't they use such a detailed OT type to demonstrate the amazing fulfillment in Jesus?

This a great 'proof' that the Holy Spirit of God is the author of the Bible who guides His servants in selecting narratives and facts to include in the Inspired Special Revelation.

The glaring omission by the New Testament writers of the strong type of Joseph proves to me beyond a shadow of doubt that:

- 1) The details of the story of Jesus were not contrived or Joseph would have been surely have been mentioned
- 2) Jesus' life is the fulfillment of something written thousands of years before
- 3) God the Holy Spirit does guide His revelation

## SESSION 11, PART 2 - REVIEW OF MID-TERM

At the end of this session, you will have completed the following:

A review of the Mid-Term test

Explain the concepts and terms from the previous sessions.

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2 Samuel 21:20 Son of Rapha had 6 fingers & toes

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### 1 Essay Question for the 1 True God: John 17

Should contain these elements:

1. Inspiration: verbal, plenary, original languages
2. Infallible, Inerrant, Immutable
3. Authority for faith and practice

## SESSION 12, PART 1 - BIBLE STUDY TOOLS

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Bible Study Tools  
Five-Step Bible Study Methods

### **Bible Study Tools**

Bible

“Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance”

Lexical Aids: “Vine’s Expository Dictionary”, “Zodhiates Word Study” OT/NT, Dictionary

Bible Dictionaries: Unger’s

Bible Atlas: Baker’s

### **Computer-Aided Bible Study**

Bible Study Software

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<http://www.e-sword.net/> For your desktop/laptop PC

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<http://www.e-sword.net/ipad/> For your iPad

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<http://biblehub.com/> This site has multiple Bible study tools.

<http://www.blueletterbible.org/> This site offers word studies.

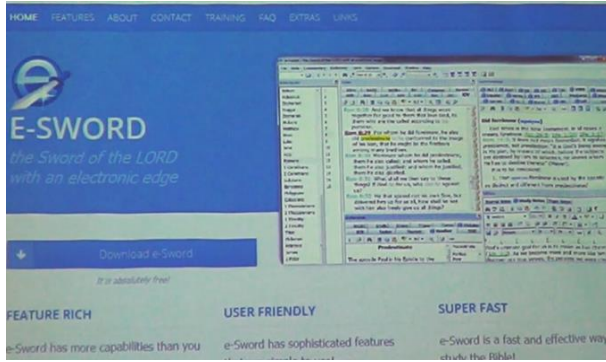
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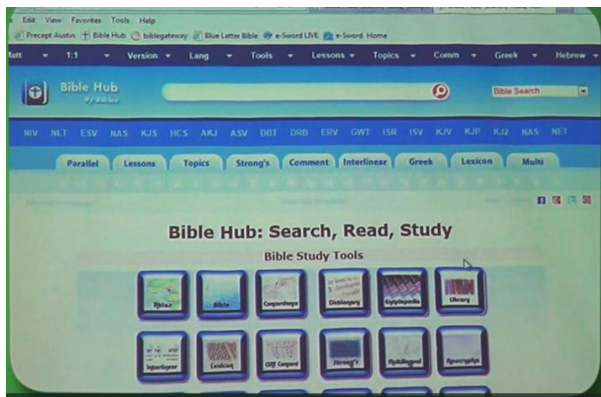
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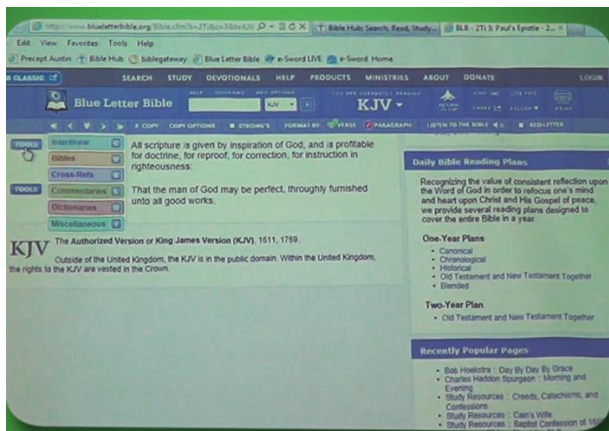
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### **Looking Up Words**

Make sure you use some of the class time to discuss how to look up a Hebrew or Greek along with an English word using Strong's Concordance.

The book that would allow you to look up usage of a particular Hebrew or Greek word is still called a concordance but rather than being an English word (or Spanish or any other language) it would be called a Hebrew Concordance or a Greek Concordance.

Most editions of the book version of Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the KJV include a Hebrew and a Greek Concordance.

Many online or Computer based electronic Bible Study programs also allow you to do a search on the Hebrew and/or Greek words if you are searching a Bible version that includes the Strong's numbers. For example, using e-Sword, select the KJV+ (which includes Strong's numbers) then in the search window type g2842 for instances of koinonia used in the New Testament.

Note that with e-Sword you can choose to search Strong's numbers with any Bible version that has the + symbol such as LXX+ (Septuagint) GNT-WH+ (Westcott/Hort Greek New Testament) or even the HOT+ (Hebrew Old Testament -Tanakh).

Searching on just one number will only give you instances of that particular root word so you might want to also search on related roots like g2843 and g2844 for instance.

Another thing to keep in mind, is that when you look a word up in Strong's you are only seeing the 'root' word. That is why we also want you to dig into the TVM Tense/Voice/Mood of the word. When you actually look at the Hebrew or Greek manuscript the word may appear differently than in the Strong's entry for that word. This is because of the TVM.

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## SESSION 12, PART 2 – FIVE-STEP BIBLE STUDY METHOD: EXEGESIS

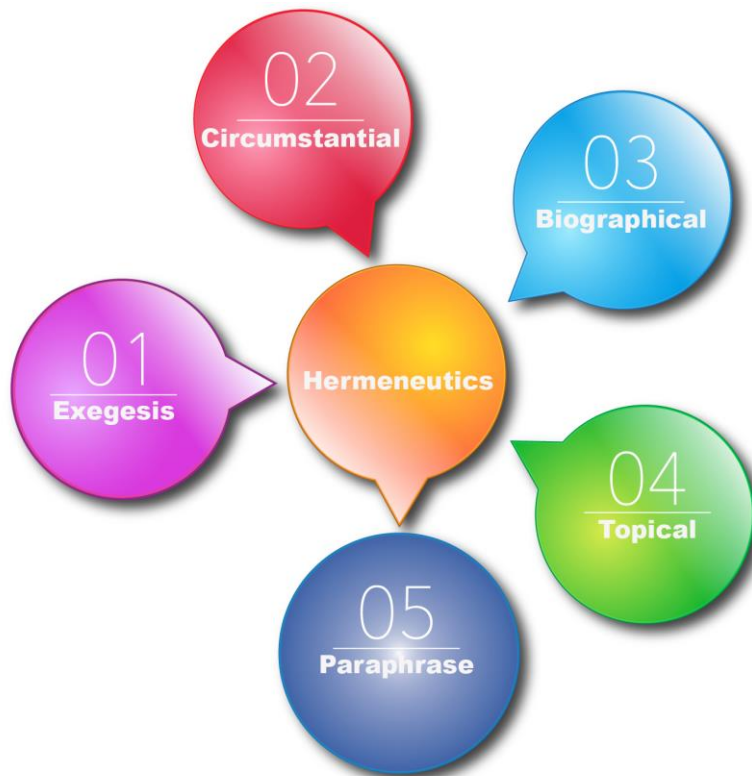
At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

The meaning of clear exegesis

The critical steps in the examination of Scripture in the original language

Five-Step Bible Study Method

1. Word Study ~ Exegesis
2. Circumstantial Study
3. Biographical Study
4. Topical Study
5. Paraphrase



### EXEGESIS

Critical examination of a text -  
Studying the words in the original language.

### EXEGESIS

Answers the question: "What does it say?"  
Necessary because of Verbal Inspiration

## EXEGESIS

Verbal inspiration applies to original languages:

Hebrew (OT) and Koine Greek (NT)

Differ from English in grammar & structure

## EXEGESIS

Hermeneutics answers the question: "What does it mean?"

EXEGESIS comes before HERMENEUTICS



Steps to Clear Exegesis:

1. **Select a limit** and **read** the selected passage several times.
2. **Look up** the **Strong's** definition for each word in the passage being studied and **write down** noteworthy definitions. Computer Aided Bible Study (notes page)
3. Read the text in several **different translations**.
4. **Look up** the lexical definition for noteworthy word in the passage being studied and **write down** definitions. Use **VINES**, Robertson's Word Pictures (**RWP**), or online **word study tools**
5. **Examine the morphology** of each word of the passage and **write down** anything of note.
6. Write out the passage **adding** any alternate or noteworthy **definitions** to fill out the meaning in English (similar to the Amplified addition.)

## ASSIGNMENT: EXEGESIS

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The passage assigned is: 1 John 1:1-2:2

Follow the 5 steps Exegesis using:

Books, computer software or online tools

Write out the passage, adding any alternate or noteworthy definitions

## SESSION 13 - EXEGESIS REVIEW AND CIRCUMSTANTIAL STUDY

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Exegesis

How to do a Circumstantial Study

2 Timothy 3:16 ~ Koine Greek

πάς γραφή θεόπνευστος καὶ ὠφέλιμος πρὸς διδασκαλία  
πρὸς ἐλεγμὸν πρὸς ἐπανόρθωσις πρὸς παιδεία τὴν ἐν δικαιοσύνῃ

πάς γραφή θεόπνευστος - Greek  
pas graphe theopneustos - Transliteration  
pahs grahFEY theAHpneustahs - Pronunciation  
**every scripture God breathed - English**

καὶ ὠφέλιμος πρὸς διδασκαλία  
kai ophelimos pros didaskalia  
ki oFELLEemos prahs deedaskaLEEah  
**and helpful for doctrine**

πρὸς ἐλεγμὸν  
pros elegchos  
prahs ellieKHASS  
**for reproof**

πρὸς ἐπανόρθωσις  
pros epanorthosis  
prahs eppanORthosis  
**for correcting**



πρὸς παιδεία  
pros paideia  
prahs pieDIEah  
for training

τὴν ἐν δικαιοσύνῃ  
ten en dikaiosune  
tehn ehn deekiahSOONeh  
in righteousness

### **Five-Step Bible Study Method**

1. Word Study ~ Exegesis
2. Circumstantial Study
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4. Topical Study
5. Paraphrase

#### EXEGESIS

Critical examination of a text -  
Studying the words in the original language.

#### EXEGESIS

Answers the question "What does it say?"  
Necessary because of Verbal Inspiration

#### EXEGESIS

Verbal inspiration applies to original languages:  
Hebrew (OT) and Koine Greek (NT)  
Differ from English in grammar & structure

#### EXEGESIS

Hermeneutics answers the question "What does it mean?"  
EXEGESIS comes before HERMENEUTICS

### **EXEGESIS 1 John 1:1-2:2**

## 1 John 1-2:2 New King James Version (NKJV)

### *What Was Heard, Seen, and Touched*

*1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life— 2 the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us— 3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. 4 And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.*

### *Fellowship with Him and One Another*

*5 This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.*

*8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.*

*2 My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.*



### Steps to Clear Exegesis:

1. **Select a limit** and **read** the selected passage several times.
2. **Look up** the **Strong's** definition for each word in the passage being studied and **write down** noteworthy definitions. Computer Aided Bible Study (notes page)
3. Read the text in several **different translations**.
4. **Look up** the lexical definition for noteworthy word in the passage being studied and **write down** definitions. Use **VINES**, Robertson's Word Pictures (**RWP**), or online **word study tools**
5. **Examine the morphology** of each word of the passage and **write down** anything of note.
6. Write out the passage, **adding** any alternate or noteworthy **definitions** to fill out the meaning in English (similar to the Amplified addition.)

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#### **CIRCUMSTANTIAL STUDY**

#### **Answer the Twelve INTERNAL Questions:**

1. Who is speaking?
2. Who is being spoken to?
3. What is the occasion?
4. What is the intent of the speaker?
5. What is the response of those spoken to?
6. When is this occurring?
7. Where is this occurring?

8. Where does this appear in Scripture?
  
9. Are there any parallel passages?
  
10. Are there any significant numbers?
  
11. Are there any repeated phrases, words or themes?
  
12. How is the speaker speaking: plainly or figures of speech?

**Additional questions about the EXTERNAL circumstances:**

1. What was the Geographical situation?
2. What was the Cultural situation?
3. What was the Political situation?
4. What was the Ecclesiastical situation?
5. What was the Economic situation?
6. What was the Writer's situation?

**Resources for the EXTERNAL Questions:**

Bible: Ephesians, 1 & 2 Timothy, Acts 19 & 20:16-38

Bible Dictionaries: Hard copy (Unger's) or digital/online

Internet Searches: Setting of 1 John

## **ASSIGNMENT: CIRCUMSTANTIAL STUDY WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT**

Perform a circumstantial study on 1 John to include Ephesians.

This includes the writer's residence and Ephesians (the writer's home church) also secular events on the timeline.

### **Answer the 12 internal questions.**

1. Who is speaking?
2. Who is being spoken to?
3. What is the occasion?
4. What is the intent of the speaker?
5. What is the response of those spoken to?

6. When is this occurring?

7. Where is this occurring?

8. Where does this appear in Scripture?

9. Are there any parallel passages?

10. Are there any significant numbers?

11. Are there any repeated: Phrases, Words or Themes?

12. How is the speaker speaking: plainly or figures of speech?

**Answer the 6 external questions**

1. What was the Geographical situation?
2. What was the Cultural situation?
3. What was the Political situation?
4. What was the Ecclesiastical situation?
5. What was the Economic situation?
6. What was the Writer's situation?



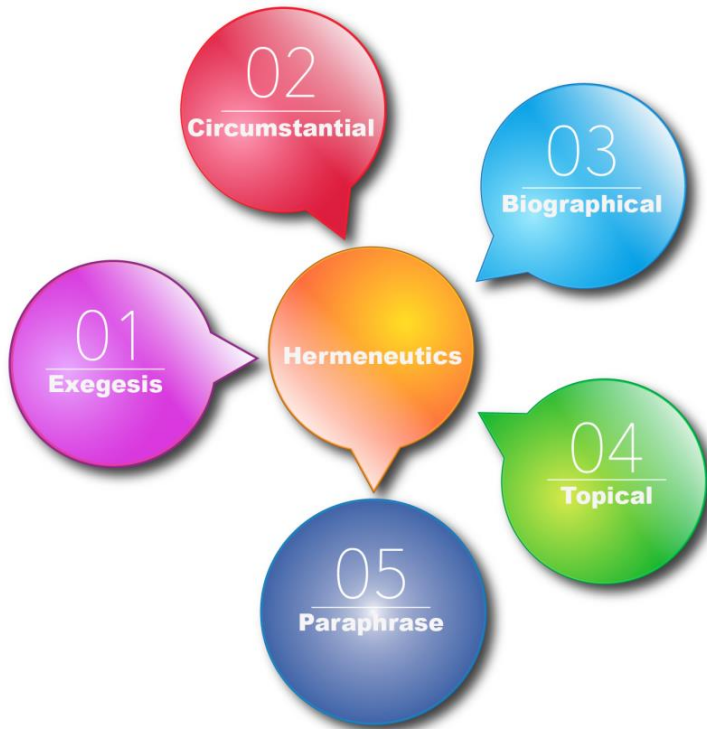
## SESSION 14 - CIRCUMSTANTIAL REVIEW / BIOGRAPHICAL STUDY

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Circumstantial Study Review  
How to do a Biographical Study

### Five-Step Bible Study Method

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## CIRCUMSTANTIAL STUDY

Answer Twelve INTERNAL Questions

Answer Six EXTERNAL Questions

1. Who is speaking? **Apostle John**
2. Who is being spoken to? **Ephesians / all believers**
3. What is the occasion? **Antichrist / left 1st love**
4. What is the intent of the speaker? **Fellowship**
5. What is the response of those spoken to? **We Don't Know**
6. When is this occurring? **Now**
7. Where is this occurring? **Whole World**
8. Where does this appear in Scripture? **NT near End**
9. Are there any parallel passages? **Yes: Jn, 2Th2, Rev**
10. Are there any significant numbers? **(3) 1 Jn 5:7-8**
11. Are there any repeated phrases, words or themes? **Light, Darkness, Love, Sin, Forgiveness, Fellowship**
12. How is the speaker speaking: plainly or figures of speech? **Both: light/darkness are figurative**

Additional questions about the EXTERNAL circumstances:

1. What was the Geographical situation? **Ephesus**
2. What was the Cultural situation? **Gnosticism**
3. What was the Political situation? **Persecution**
4. What was the Ecclesiastical situation? **Lost 1st Love**
5. What was the Economic situation? **Wealth**
6. What was the Writer's situation? **Old Age/End**

## BIOGRAPHICAL STUDY

- Author of passage under study
- Others named in passage under study
- Brings personal context to study
- Allows application of Hermeneutics 2nd rule: "the writer's context"



## **ASSIGNMENT: BIOGRAPHICAL STUDY**

List everyone identified in the passage.

Write a paper describing the change that took place in John.

There is a difference between young John the disciple and aged Apostle John. How are we going to find out the difference?

Compare the three Synoptic gospels with the Gospel of John and how he writes about himself.

## SESSION 15 - BIOGRAPHICAL REVIEW / TOPICAL STUDY

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Biographical Study Review  
How to do a Topical Study

### Five-Step Bible Study Method

1. Word Study ~ Exegesis
2. Circumstantial Study
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5. Paraphrase



Study the author of the passage

Study others named in the passage

To bring a personal context to study, and to allow application of the 2<sup>nd</sup> rule of hermeneutics.

The writer's context

**Part 1 List everyone identified in the passage.**

God the Father, Jesus, Holy Spirit, Antichrist, Devil, Cain, Able [Cain's brother], false prophets/spirits

**Part 2 Write a paper describing the change that took place in John.**

Young John the disciple > Aged Apostle John

Three Synoptics: Matthew, Mark and Luke

- Brash and youthful, brother of James, Son of Thunder
- Inner circle along with James & Peter
- Close affinity to Peter; more so than James or even Jesus

Young John the disciple > Aged Apostle John

Gospel of John

- Written on purpose with purpose
- Presents Jesus as God the Son yet the Son of Man
- Disciple Jesus loved ~ Ego or Revelation?

Young John the disciple > Aged Apostle John

Insight:

- John now realizes who Jesus was...not just a great prophet
- John now realizes what he witnessed
- John now realizes what that Jesus Love him
- John now has fellowship w/ Jesus & the Father & the Spirit

Young John the disciple > Aged Apostle John

Further Insight:

- Now after all the rest are gone: Peter, James, the rest of the Apostles, Mary the mother of Jesus...all gone
- But he has fellowship with the one Who said, I will never leave you nor forsake you – look, I'm with you until the very end!
- FELLOWSHIP with the Father through Jesus the Son in the Holy Spirit has become John's message...and he wrote 1 John to share with us that message of Fellowship!

### **Five-Step Bible Study Method**

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Plenary Inspiration mandates Topical Studies  
As does the fundamental principle of hermeneutics

Remember:

Any doctrine of the Bible is a doctrine of the whole Bible ~ not just one or two verses.

With Topical Studies we search all of Scripture to let the Bible be its own best commentator Tools for Topical Studies

### **Two Steps to Topical Studies**

1. Find the topics in the passage and write them down
  - Note Main Theme of passage
  - Expressed purpose of the writer
  - Inferred/deduced purpose of the writer
  - Note Key Words of passage
  - Repeated words/concepts
  - Emphasized words/concepts
2. Study each of the topics found in the passage
  - Outline the scope of each topic separately
  - Identify sub-topics and write them down
  - Study one sub-topic at a time
  - Repeat for all sub-topics of each topic
  - Study antithetical topics

### **Step 1 Find the topic suggested by the passage**

### **Step 2 Find the sub-topic found in the passage**

Tools for Topical Studies

Concordances

1. Strong's Exhaustive
2. Young's Analytical

Topical Bibles

1. Nave's
2. Thompson's Chained Reference

Example Topic

κοινός – common (unholy)

κοινώω – make common (defile)

κοινωνία – fellowship

κοινωνέω – to share with others

κοινωνικός – willing to give

κοινωνός – Companion

Topic mapped out as heavenly, earthly, eternal, temporal, spiritual or physical

Sub topics:

Father/Son/Holy Spirit

God/Man

Believers/Unbelievers

Believers/Works of Darkness



## **ASSIGNMENT: STUDY THE FELLOWSHIP IN 1 JOHN 1:1-2:2**

Fellowship

Communion

Participation

1. Study the topic **ΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΑ**
2. Identity the sub-topic you want to study
3. Study it exhaustively from Genesis to Revelation
4. Take notes while you are doing your study
5. Write a paper expressing what you have learned
6. Use a Concordance or Nave's Topical Bible or any other resource you need.



## SESSION 16 - TOPICAL STUDIES REVIEW / PARAPHRASE / FINAL TEST

At the end of this session, you will be able to explain the following:

Topical Studies Review  
Seven Fundamental Rules of Hermeneutics  
How to Paraphrase Scripture  
Final Test Assigned

### Five-Step Bible Study Method

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As does the Fundamental Principle of Hermeneutics

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Any doctrine of the Bible is a doctrine of the whole Bible ~ not just one or two verses.  
With topical studies we search all of Scripture to let the Bible be its own best commentator.

Steps to Topical Studies

Find the **Topics** in the passage and write them down

Note main theme of passage

Expressed purpose of the writer

Inferred/deduced purpose of the writer

Note key words of passage

Repeated words/concepts

Emphasized words/concepts

A “Word Cloud” is a visual representation of the frequency of word usage. What do you think a Word Cloud of 1 John 1:1-2:2 would look like? I used [www.wordle.net](http://www.wordle.net) and entered the NKLV English text of 1 John 1:1-2:2 and this is the Word Cloud that was generated.



Note main theme of passage: **ΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΑ**

Expressed purpose of the writer: **ΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΑ**

Inferred/deduced purpose of the writer: **ΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΑ**

Note key words of passage: **ΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΑ**

Repeated words/concepts: **ΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΑ**

Emphasized words/concepts: **ΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΑ**

G2842 κοινωνία and related words:

G2839 - G2844

κοινός – κοιNAHs

κοινόω – κοιNAHoh

κοινωνία - koinoNEEah

κοινωνέω – koinoNAYoh

κοινωνικός – koinoneeKAHs

κοινωνός – koinoNAHs

G2842 κοινωνία and related words:

G2839 - G2844

κοινός – common (unholy)

κοινόω – make common (defile)

κοινωνία – fellowship

κοινωνέω – to share with others

κοινωνικός – willing to give

κοινωνός – Companion

I John 1:,3,6,7 Fellowship

1 Cor 1:9 Fellowship

2 Cor 13:14 Communion

1 Cor 10:20-21 Partake

2 Cor 6:14 Participation

2 Cor 8:23 Partnership

2 Cor 8:4 Benevolence

Rom 15:26 Contribution

2 Cor 9:13; 1 Tim 6:18; Heb 13:16 Sharing

Philemon 1:6 Communicating your faith

Matt 23:30; 2 Cor 1:7; 1 Pet 5:1; 2 Pet 1:4 Partakers

Heb 10:33 Companions

Luke 5:10; Philemon 1:17 Partner(s)

The Short context (how the word is being used) is the reason why this same Greek word needs many different English words to translate it 'in context'.

Fellowship with God seems to be the ultimate message of 1 John: To Know God > Love God > Walk with Him in the Light > To Walk with Him in the Light > Fellowship with Him

Ultimately this is the message of the whole Bible:

The **fellowship** that God created us to have with Him

The **fellowship** that was lost in the Garden of Eden

The **fellowship** that Jesus came to restore - reconcile

The **fellowship** that we now experience in the Spirit

Is the **fellowship** that will ultimately be fully restored

Revelation 22:4 And they shall see His face...

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**Fundamental Principle:** The Bible is its own best Interpreter / Commentator

**Seven Rules of Hermeneutics:**

1. Words in usual & ordinary sense (then & there)
2. Writer's context (how writer used a word/phrase)
3. Short context (how the word is being used in place)
4. Long context (the word explained by the passage)
5. Purpose of passage (stated or unstated)
6. Parallel passages (exact quotes>similar ideas)
7. Note parallel exclusions (no apparent parallel)

**Paraphrase**

1. A restatement of a text in another form to clarify meaning
2. A restatement of a text in other words as a studying or teaching device

Review of Translation - Formal Equivalence aka Word for Word

**"Formal Equivalence"**

- translator attempts to render the exact words of the original language into the receptor language [parent>daughter]
- aka "form for form" or "word for word"
- Requires interpretation of the short context
- Does not attempt to resolve figures of speech nor take into account idiomatic usage

**"Dynamic Equivalence"**

- reproduction in a receptor language of the closest natural equivalent of the source language message
- aka "thought for thought"
- first in terms of meaning second in terms of style
- translation aims to have the same dynamic impact upon modern readers as the original had upon its audience

### **Process of Paraphrasing**

- Re-phrase the passage to bring out the dynamic equivalence – this is NOT a translation
- Involves interpretation - must be supported by hermeneutics
- Review and reassessment will be necessary
- Provides the basis for Biblical teaching and preaching



Nehemiah 8:8 “they read distinctly, gave the sense and helped the people understand the meaning”



### **ASSIGNMENT: PARAPHRASE 1 JOHN 1:1-2:2**

Paraphrase 1 John 1:1-2:2

Start work on the paraphrase assignment in class in small groups and then complete the paraphrase individually outside of class. A follow up session should be devoted to sharing the results of this paraphrase assignment.

For those using these videos as a distance learner, please share your completed paraphrase assignment with another trusted individual for assessment and critique.

## TEST: FINAL EXAM

### I. HOW WE GOT OUR BIBLE

Quote: II Timothy 3:16-17 & II Peter 1:20-21 (use back of page)

Define:

1. General Revelation:
2. Special Revelation:
3. General Inspiration:
4. Special Inspiration:
5. Verbal Inspiration:
6. Plenary Inspiration:
7. Canon of Scripture:
8. Papyrus:
9. Vellum
10. Sopherim:
11. Manuscript:
12. Original Autograph:
13. Transcription:
14. Translation:



15. Paraphrase:

16. Apologetics:

List three of the internal proofs of inspiration of the Bible:

List three of the external proofs of the inspiration of the Bible:

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List the five methods God used in special inspiration:

Explain the relationship between the Old and the New Testament:

What two main languages was the Bible originally written in?

Why are the oldest manuscripts considered to be the best manuscripts?

Why are the oldest manuscripts considered not to be the best manuscripts?

## **II. HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE**

Quote: II Timothy 2:15 (use back of page)

Define:

1. Exegesis:
2. Hermeneutics:
3. Type:
4. Antitype:
5. Parallel Passage:
6. Parallel Exclusion:
7. Idiom:
8. Illumination:

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What question does Exegesis answer?

What question does Hermeneutics answer?

Give four of the eight reasons why Hermeneutics is necessary:

List the fundamental principle of Hermeneutics:

List the seven rules for Hermeneutics:

List three of the five personal requirements of the interpreter:

List three of the six things the interpreter must avoid:

List six of the twelve preliminary questions to ask in Hermeneutics:

List three of the seven rules for interpreting types:

Define and give both a generic and a scriptural example of:

Simile

Metaphor

Hyperbole

Irony

Ellipsis

Synecdoche

Metonymy

Parenthesis

Digression

## APPENDIX A PROPHECIES CONCERNING MESSIAH AND THEIR FULFILLMENT

Genesis 3:15 ➔ “seed of a woman” Luke 2:7; Galatians 4:4

Genesis 12:3 ➔ “descendant of Abraham” Matthew 1:1; Acts 3:25; Galatians 3:16

Genesis 17:19 ➔ “descendant of Isaac” Matthew 1:2; Romans 9:7

Numbers 24:17 ➔ “descendant of Jacob” Matthew 1:2

Genesis 49:10 ➔ “descendant of Judah” Matthew 1:2

Isaiah 11:1 ➔ “descendant of Jesse” Matthew 1:6

Isaiah 9:7 ➔ “heir to the throne of David” Matthew 1:1; 1:6

Micah 5:2 ➔ “born in Bethlehem” Matthew 2:1

Isaiah 7:14 ➔ “born to a virgin” Matthew 1:18

Hosea 11:1 ➔ “called out of Egypt” Matthew 2:14-21

Isaiah 9:1b-2 ➔ “ministry in Galilee” Matthew 4:12-16

Deuteronomy 18:15 ➔ “ministered as a prophet” John 6:14

Psalms 110:4 ➔ “ministered as a priest (though not a Levite)” Hebrews 5:1-10; 7:1-28

Isaiah 53:3 ➔ “rejected by the Jews” John 1:11; 5:43; Luke 23:18; Acts 3:14-15

Isaiah 11:2 ➔ “Spirit of wisdom and understanding” Matthew 13:54

Isaiah 35:5-6 ➔ “deaf, dumb, blind and lame healed” Luke 7:22

Isaiah 61:1 ➔ “good news preached to the poor and broken hearted” Luke 7:22

Zechariah 9:9 ➔ “humble entry on a donkey” John 12:13-14

Psalms 41:9 ➔ “betrayed by a friend” Mark 14:10



Zechariah 11:12 ➡ “sold for 30 pieces of silver” Matthew 26:15

Zechariah 11:13 ➡ “money cast down in temple” Matthew 27:5

Zechariah 11:13 ➡ “money given to a potter” Matthew 27:7

Isaiah 53:8 ➡ “condemned without a fair trial” Matthew 27:1

Psalms 35:11-12 ➡ “accused by false witnesses” Matthew 26:59-61

Isaiah 50:6 ➡ “beaten and spit upon” Mark 14:65, Matthew 27:30

Psalms 129:3 ➡ “scourged” John 19:1

Psalms 102: ➡ “mocked” Matthew 27:29-31

Psalms 22:6-8 ➡ “taunted with ‘No help from God for you!’” Matthew 27:39-43

Psalms 22:16 ➡ “hands and feet pierced” John 19:23; 20:25

Psalms 22:18 ➡ “clothing parceled out, but one piece gambled for whole” John 19:23-24

Psalms 22:7 ➡ “insulted while dying with wagging heads and scorn” Matthew 27:39

Isaiah 53:12 ➡ “crucified with sinners” Matthew 27:38

Psalms 69: 21 ➡ “given gall and vinegar to drink” Matthew 27:34; 48

Psalms 34:20 ➡ “no bones broken” John 19:33

Psalms 22:1 ➡ “forsaken of God” Matthew 27:46

Daniel 9:24-26 ➡ “died at the appointed time foretold to Daniel” note 1 below

Isaiah 53:9 ➡ “buried in a rich man’s tomb” Matthew 27:57-60

Psalms 16:10 ➡ “raised from the dead” Matthew 28:5-9

Hosea 6:2 ➡ “rise from the dead on the third day” Matthew 27:57-28:6 note 2 below

**Note 1:** Seven seventies (490 years) is the determined time. The death of Christ happened at the Passover in the month Nisan, in the four thousand seven hundred and forty-sixth year of the Julian period. Four hundred and ninety years, reckoned back from the above year, leads us directly to the month Nisan in the four thousand two hundred and fifty-sixth year of the same period; the very month and year in which Ezra had his commission from Artaxerxes Longimanus, king of Persia, to restore and rebuild Jerusalem.

**Note 2:** Christ was in the tomb for the part of one day, a whole day and the part of another day. Legally three days as reckoned by the Jews, but closer to two days if reckoned by the hour meter on the tomb.

## GLOSSARY

**Amen** -- means "so be it" or "it is certainly so."

**Aramaic** - A family of languages (traditionally referred to as "dialects") belonging to the Semitic family. More specifically, it is a part of the Northwest Semitic subfamily, which also includes Canaanite languages such as Hebrew and Phoenician. The Aramaic script was widely adopted for other languages and is ancestral to both the Arabic and modern Hebrew alphabets. It was the language that Jesus probably used the most and the language of large sections of the biblical books of Daniel and Ezra, and is the main language of the Talmud.

**Anthropomorphism** - Ascribing human attributes to God.

**Apocrypha** - The Apocrypha is the title given to 14 books included in the Roman Catholic canon of Scripture between the OT and the NT. Apocrypha means "hidden things" and originally implied that these writings were only for the "inner circle - kept for the wise among the people. Later it came to identify the obscurity of origin and authorship of these books. They were never accepted as Scripture by the Jews and were never quoted by Jesus, the Apostles. The early Church did not accept them as Scripture.

**Apologetics** – Presents a rational basis for the Christian faith, defending the faith against objections.

**Bibliology** – The Study of the Bible, including its origin, preservation, interpretation, inerrancy, infallibility, canonicity, authority, and languages.

**Biblical Worldview** - A personal perspective on humanity, deity and the rest of the universe based on the Bible. The Protestant biblical worldview includes eight beliefs:

- Absolute truth exists.
- The source of moral truth is the Bible.
- The Bible is without error in all of its teachings.
- That eternal spiritual salvation cannot be earned through works while on earth.
- Jesus led a sinless life while on earth.
- Everyone has a responsibility to share their religious beliefs with others.
- Satan is a living entity, not just a symbol of evil.
- God is the creator of the universe, omnipotent, omniscient who still rules the universe today.

**Canon –canonicity** – The issue of what books should be included as Holy Scripture which has been settled. There are 66 books that are orthodox to all Christians.

**Catastrophism** – The doctrine that major changes in the earth's crust result from catastrophes rather than evolutionary processes.

**Digression** - The subject actually changes to another subject.

**Dynamic Equivalence** – A method or style used to convert source text (e.g. Hebrew or Greek) into another language (e.g. English). It attempts to convey the thought expressed in the source text using equivalent expressions from a contemporary language like English ('thought for thought' translating).

**Enigma** - Allegory in the form of a riddle.

**Exegesis** – From the Greek meaning to “lead out,” it is the critical explanation or interpretation of Biblical text.

**Fable** - Narrative allegory using personification.

**General Revelation** - Can be known by all: nature, history, conscience.

**Gospel** - Gospel means “good news” or “glad tidings,” specifically the Good News of Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection for our salvation, healing, and provision; and the hope of eternal life that Jesus made available to us by God's grace.

**Hermeneutics** - The study of the methodological principles of interpretation of the Bible.

**Hyperbole** – Exaggeration to make a point.

**Idiom** – Localized figure of speech in which words do not convey their usual meaning.

**Infallible** – Cannot fail.

**Illumination** - Process/God causes His special revelation to be understood by human heart.

**Inerrancy of the Scriptures** - Scripture, having been inspired by God the Holy Spirit, is free from all falsehood, fraud, or deceit. The sinfulness and human limits of the writers of Scripture did not introduce distortion or falsehood into God's Word.

**Inspiration**- "to breathe in."

**Interrogatory** - Affirmation expressed in the form of a question sometimes called a rhetorical question.

**Immutable** - Cannot change.

**Koine** - The common form of Greek spoken and written during Hellenistic and Roman antiquity. Koine is the language of the Christian New Testament, of the Septuagint (the 3rd-century BC Greek translation of the Hebrew Bible), and of most early Christian theological writing by the Church Fathers. Koine Greek is also known as "Biblical", "New Testament" or "patristic" Greek.

**Paraphrase** - A restatement of a text in another form to clarify meaning or a restatement of a text in other words as a studying or teaching device.

**Papyrus** - Writing material made from papyrus reed, not very durable.

**Personification** - Ascribing personal attributes to animals or inanimate objects.

**Plenary** - Complete in every way.

**Pentateuch** - Same as Torah, first five books of Hebrew Scripture.

**Pseudepigrapha** - "Writings falsely attributed." Ongoing discovery and research provide differing lists of contents. A recent publication listed 52 writings. Some of the writings are anonymous; thus some scholars prefer the name "outside books" for all of these writings, emphasizing that they did not become part of canon.

**Septuagint** - A version of the Old Testament, so called because it was the work of seventy interpreters.

**Sopherim** - Jewish scholar and teacher (of law as based upon the Old Testament and accumulated traditions). The Hebrew word sopherim literally means "the counters;" the early scribes earned this title because they counted every letter of every book of Scripture to make sure they didn't leave out anything.

**Special Inspiration** - Process God caused Special Revelation communicated to man.

**Special Revelation** - Given to some for all: spoken, written, Walking Word.

**Synoptic Gospels** - Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Synoptic means with one eye, signifying that the synoptic gospels, as opposed to the gospel according to John, tend to have the same perspective on Jesus' ministry.

**Synecdoche** - a figure of speech in which a part is made to represent the whole or vice versa.

**Symbol as a Figure of Speech** - represents something else by association, resemblance, or convention, especially a material object used to represent something invisible.

**Testament** - The name of each general division of the canonical books of the sacred Scriptures; the Old Testament; the New Testament. The name is equivalent to covenant, and in our use of it, we apply it to the books which contain the old and new dispensations; that of Moses, and that of Jesus Christ.

**Torah** - first five books of Hebrew Scripture.

**Type as a Figure of Speech** - A metaphor using persons or objects to foreshadow.

**Typology** - An Old Testament person, place, thing, or occurrence that *prefigures* a person, place, thing, or occurrence found in the New Testament called the antitype.

**Uniformitarianism** - A geological doctrine. It states that current geologic processes, occurring at the same rates observed today, in the same manner, account for all of Earth's geological features. It assumes that geological processes are essentially unchanged today from those of the unobservable past, and that there have been no cataclysmic events in earth's history. As present processes are thought to explain all past events, the Uniformitarian slogan is, "the present is the key to the past."

**Vellum** - writing material from animal skins, durable, also called parchment.

**Verbal Inspiration** - each word of the original text is inspired.

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