

I. Introduction – Books used in this study: *40 Questions about Interpreting the Bible*, Robert L. Plummer; *Exegetical Fallacies*, D.A. Carson; *Journey into God's Word*, J. Scott Duvall, J. Daniel Hays; *A Handbook of NT Exegesis*, Craig Blomberg; *Interpreting the NT Text*, Darrell L. Bock, Buist M. Fanning; *Introduction to Biblical Hermeneutics*, Walter C. Kaiser Jr., Moises Silva; *Biblical Theology in the Church*, Michael Lawrence; *Interpreting the NT*, David Alan Black, David S. Dockery, editors; *Old Testament Theology*, John Sailhamer; *Recapturing the Voice of God*, Steven Smith.

- A. Definitions
 - 1. Bible –
 - 2. Inerrancy –
 - 3. Pericope –
 - 4. Genre –
 - 5. Interpretation –
 - 6. Hermeneutics –
 - 7. Exegesis –
- B. Who needs hermeneutics?
- C. Foundation elements of Scripture interpretation:1. 1 Cor. 2:11
 - 2. _____ and _____ heart. John 5:39-40
 - 3. John 16:13

- 4. 1 John 2:26-27
- 5. Let Scripture interpret Scripture. 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- D. Different models of understanding the meaning of the Bible
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 - 2.
 - 3.
- II. Genres See additional handout
- III. What do you really need to know about history during the times of the Bible in order to understand the Bible?

IV. Text vs. Event – one more angle on God's revelation within history.

Assignment

- 1. Begin to apply what we covered tonight to your Bible reading. Use the helps in the genre of Scripture you are reading right now.
- 2. Bring one example of the importance of the text over the details of the event.
- 3. Bring one example of the historical context supplied in scripture.
- 4. Begin each day and time in the word with humility and submission to the Spirit of the Lord.