

Bible Engagement

Lesson 7

The Value of Interpretation (Chapter 27)

- To understand what God is telling us through His written word we need to interpret what we are reading.
- There are barriers to that interpretation such as cultural barriers, language barriers, literary barriers, and communication.

Handle With Care (Chapter 28)

Care needs to be taken when you start to interpret the Bible

- Hazards to avoid in interpretation
 - Misreading the text
 - Distorting the text
 - Contradicting the text
 - Subjectivism
 - Relativism
 - Overconfidence

What Type of Literature Is This? (Chapter 29)

When you are interpreting the Bible it is good to understand the type of literature you are studying. There are several types found in the Bible the following are a few discussed.

- Exposition
- Narrative and Biography
- Parables
- Poetry
- The Proverbs and Wisdom Literature
- Prophecy and Apocalyptic

HOMEWORK

Read Jonah

- List all the characters
 - Do you like/dislike them? Why?
 - What roles do they play
 - What decisions do they make
 - How do they relate to each other
 - Do they fail? Why?

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Jonah					
Sailors					
King					
People of Nineveh					
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