



HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE

Word puzzle decryption:

What I want to learn about Bible study:

Genre	Book
Gospels	Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts
	Romans, I & II Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, I & II Thessalonians, I & II Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James, I & II Peter, I, II & III John, Jude
Historical/Law Narrative	Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Deuteronomy, Numbers, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, I & II Samuel, I & II Kings, I & II Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Jonah
Poetry	Psalms, Song of Solomon, Lamentations
Wisdom	Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes
	Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi
	Daniel, Revelation of John

Gospels

The Gospels and Acts provide a comprehensive understanding of Jesus

- John’s focus: showing that_____ is God himself incarnate.
- Matthew’s focus: the_____ of Jesus as the _____.
- Mark’s focus: Jesus as the_____of Isaiah.
- Luke’s focus: Christ came to deliver_____as well as the and the social outcasts of the world.

Epistles

Epistle is another word for letter

- Epistles were written for _____ and were corrections to those circumstances.

Historical/Law Narratives

Narratives are stories that retell historical events and intend to give direction to people in the present

- Read these narratives with an eye on God's _____ in all of it.
- Follow God's _____ and you will see their purpose.

Poetry

There are four characterizations that you need to keep in mind with Hebrew poetry:

- _____ : there is a central theme or themes that the poem revolves around

- _____ : the reinforcement of an idea by repeating it.

- _____ : help emphasize the main point

- _____ : Each poem falls under a different type, can be love, lament, praise, thanksgiving, and royal enthronement

Wisdom

Each of these books balance each other theologically and can be misunderstood on their own

- _____ present rational ordered norms of life

- _____ presents problems examined through the lens of the norms of life

- _____ : intellectual search for how life and the exceptions we experience interact with the norms.

Prophecy

Most prophecies were about the immediate future and then show their immediate results

- Prophets function as God's _____ .

- Three points of prophetic message: _____ , _____ , and _____ .

Apocalyptic

Has more than one genre within it: Traits to remember: visions, poetry, recapitulation (recaps of visions), outside interpreters, dualism, and symbolism