

The Biblical Interpretation Pyramid

1. PASSAGE (confirm limits):

CONTEXT

Literary:

Historical-cultural:

Canonical (story arc):

Subject

Complement

Differences that Jesus makes (incl. key NT references)

Meaning for original hearers

Movements in passage/Natural sections

3. Summary of passage in own words

2. GENRE:

Repeated words/phrases:

Other important observations:

My questions to consider/research:



4. APPLICATION for me/my hearers: What does the passage tell us about (also consider Systematic Theology):

GOD

US

Necessary – Always necessary for all people

Possible – Sometimes possible to some people

Impossible – How the passage cannot be applied