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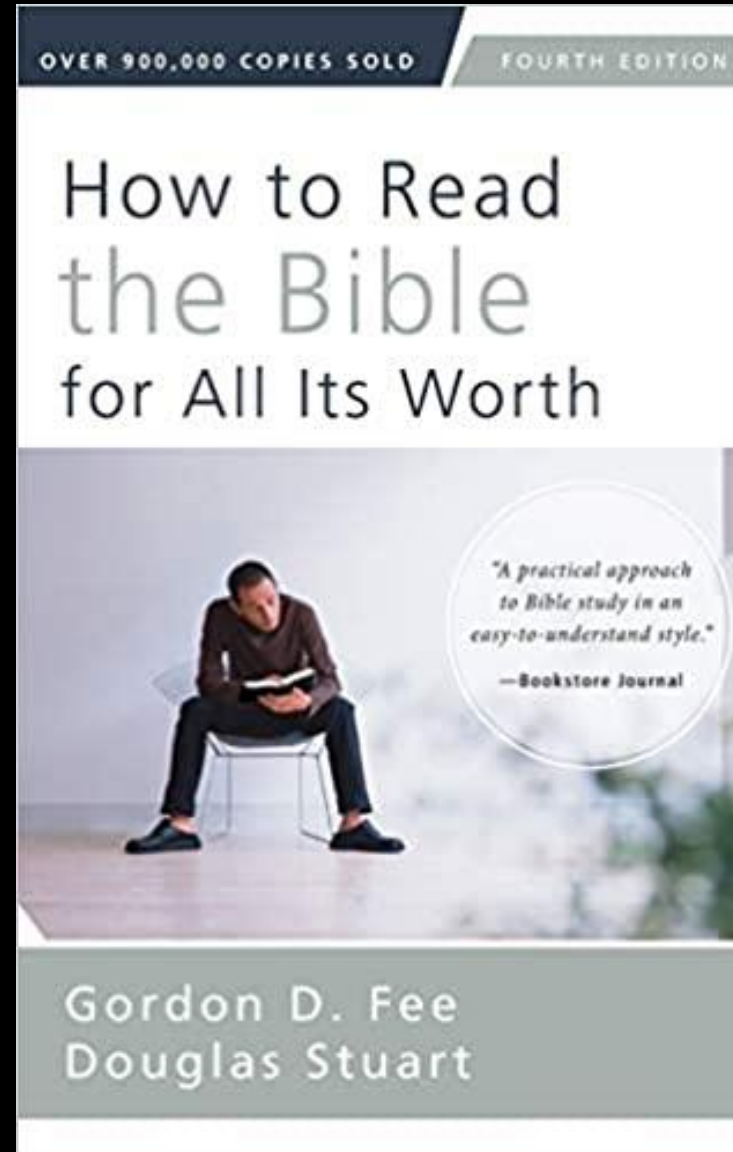
How to study the Bible

Session 5: The Covenant



How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth

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ground rules:

- be present
- be interactive
- be curious

agenda:

- the law

 - covenant stipulations for Israel

- the prophets

 - enforcing the covenant in Israel

covenant = coming together

So he made them a feast,
and they ate and drank.

Gen 26:30 (ESV)

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces.

Genesis 15:17





the law:

covenant stipulations for Israel

1. their miraculous deliverance
2. the return of the presence of God
3. reconstitution as of Israel as a people

Did they leave Egypt alone?

A mixed multitude also
went up with them, and
very much livestock,
both flocks and herds.

Exodus 12:38 (ESV)

What is the law?

What is the Pentateuch?

penta = 5

toque =



What is the Pentateuch?

penta = 5

teukhos =



Christians and
the Old Testament law

For truly, I say to you, until
heaven and earth pass
away, not an iota, not a
dot, will pass from the Law
until all is accomplished.

Mark 5:18 (ESV)

the role of the law in Israel
and in the Bible

1. adoptic law
2. causistic law



the prophets

BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

OLD TESTAMENT

NEW TESTAMENT

50 1440-1400 40 1440-1400 27 1440-1400 36 1440-1400 34 1410
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PENTATEUCH
 HISTORY
 WISDOM LITERATURE

MAJOR PROPHETS
 MINOR PROPHETS
 GOSPELS

PAUL'S LETTERS
 GENERAL LETTERS
 APOCALYPTIC

the nature of prophecy

the function of
prophecy in Israel

the exegetical task

hermeneutical suggestions

a caution:

the prophet as

the foreteller of the future

Kings... With their faces to the ground
they shall bow down to you...

Isaiah 49:23 (ESV)

Kings shall be your foster fathers,
and their queens your nursing mothers.
With their faces to the ground they
shall bow down to you, and lick the
dust of your feet. Then you will know
that I am the Lord; those who wait for
me shall not be put to shame.”

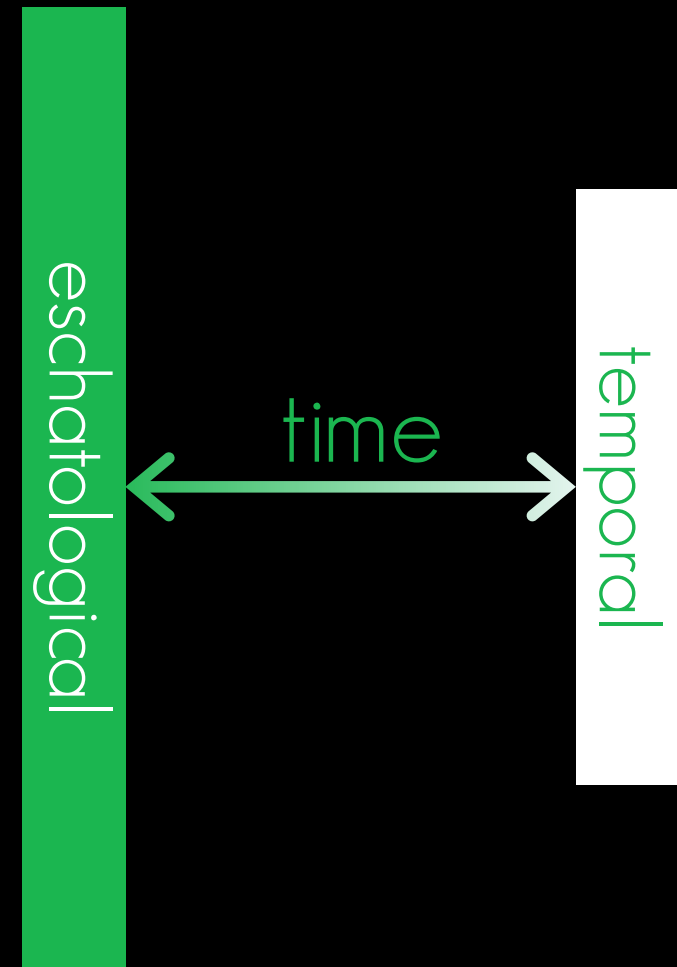
Isaiah 49:23 (ESV)

straight on view



prophetic oracles as
'seen' in the Bible

side view



do not 'show' the distance of time
between the events foretold

a concern:

prophecy and

second meanings

² and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³ and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ.

1 Corinthians 10:2-4 (ESV)

sensus plenior

= fuller meaning

and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet,
“Out of Egypt I called my son.”

Matthew 2:15 (ESV)

When Israel was a child, I
loved him, and out of Egypt
I called my son.

Hosea 11:1 (ESV)

a benefit:

the dual emphasis on

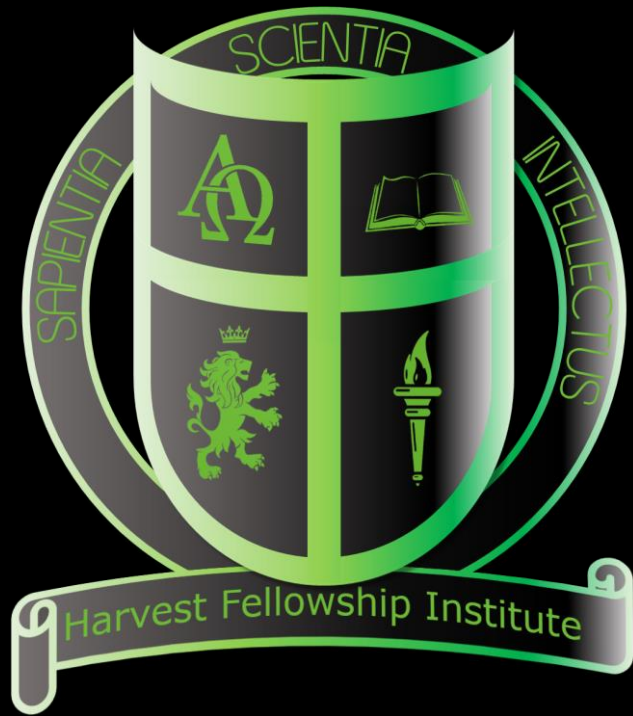
orthodoxy and orthopraxy

orthodoxy is correct belief
orthopraxy is correct living

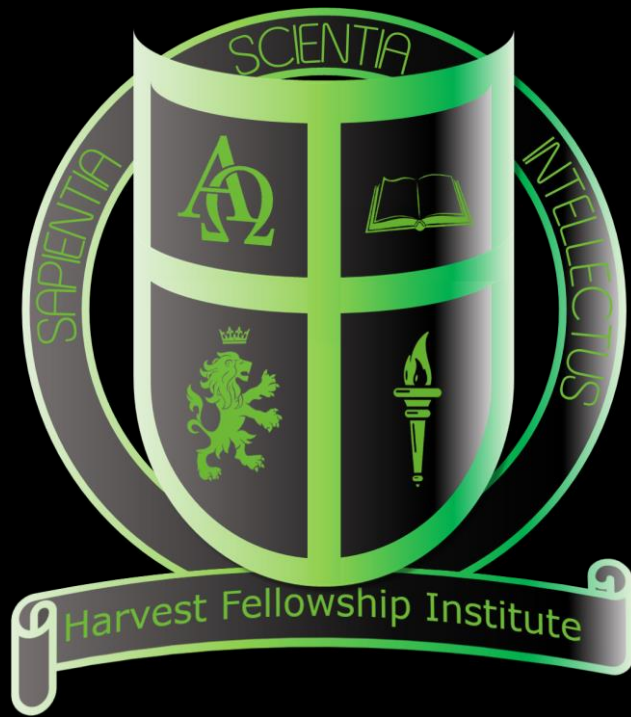


And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

Malachi 4:6 (ESV)



Questions?



Week 6: the songs, the wisdom and the hope

- the psalms - Israel's prayers and ours
- wisdom books - then and now
- revelation - images of judgment and hope