



Believers and sisters. from the treasure that will ensure that wandering will bring about the

Why the Bible?

... wanted to know more about this grace. They wondered

Part 2: How do we use the bible?
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Main Points

When we understand how to use the biblical writings we can understand our role in the Kingdom of God.

The biblical writings tell the story of God bringing his kingdom to earth to love and redeem his children.

The biblical writings inform Jesus Followers on how to play their part in the Kingdom of God.

All of the biblical writings are equally inspired but not equally applicable.

To allow the biblical writings to inform our lives we need to discover what they meant when they were written (Exegesis) and how that applies to our context (Hermeneutics).

3 practices allow us to effectively use the biblical writings to inform our roles in the Kingdom of God:

1. Find an accurate translation that works best for you.
2. Utilize Commentaries
3. Ask questions:
 - What DID this mean?
 - What DOES this mean for my life?

When we discover how to play our role in the Kingdom of God we discover the life Jesus has invited us to.

"Show Notes" Resources & Links:

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Transcript || Kids Stuff || Podcast

Social Media Giveaways:
Last week: Mina's Cafe
This week: Espresso Road

Gatherings in Person:
September 12 & 24
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Discussion Questions

1. What's God doing in your life and world this week?
2. How have the past two episodes informed or challenged your thoughts about the Bible?
3. The Bible is something that can be used correctly or incorrectly (considering genre, audience, purpose, etc.). Can you explain another analogy of something else that is like that to you?
4. Read 2 Timothy 3:15-17. How do you think what Paul wrote here can inform our discussion of the last two episodes?
5. What's your next step with the Bible? How can your group pray for you this week?

3 PRACTICES

... to allow us to effectively use the biblical writings to inform our roles in the Kingdom of God.

1. Find an **accurate translation** that works best for you.
2. Utilize **Commentaries** and/or a Study Bible
3. Ask **Questions:**
(see #2 for resources).

What **DID** this mean?

- What is the literary genre?
- To whom was it written?
- Why was it written?
- What is the literary context?
- Does the surrounding context inform the passage?

What **DOES** this mean for my life?

- What does this passage say about God/Jesus/HS?
- What does it say about humanity in general?
- What do I need to DO in light of all of this?

Major on the majors and minor on the minors.

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