



BIBL 101 – Biblical Interpretation

Lecture Notes

2 Timothy 2:15 (New International Version)

¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

Exegesis –

Eisegesis –

Guessegenesis –

Matthew 27:5

Luke 10:37

2 Chronicles 27:1-2 (New International Version)

¹ Jotham was twenty-five years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem sixteen years. His mother's name was Jerusha daughter of Zadok. ² He did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, just as his father Uzziah had done, but unlike him he did not enter the temple of the Lord.

2 Chronicles 26:16-20 (New International Version)

¹⁶ But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall. He was unfaithful to the Lord his God, and entered the temple of the Lord to burn incense on the altar of incense. ¹⁷ Azariah the priest with eighty other courageous priests of the Lord followed him in. ¹⁸ They confronted King Uzziah and said, "It is not right for you, Uzziah, to burn incense to the Lord. That is for the priests, the descendants of Aaron, who have been consecrated to burn incense. Leave the sanctuary, for you have been unfaithful; and you will not be honored by the Lord God." ¹⁹ Uzziah, who had a censer in his hand ready to burn incense, became angry. While he was raging at the priests in their presence before the incense altar in the Lord's temple, leprosy broke out on his forehead. ²⁰ When Azariah the chief priest and all the other priests looked at him, they saw that he had leprosy on his forehead, so they hurried him out. Indeed, he himself was eager to leave, because the Lord had afflicted him.

John 12:32 (New international Version)

³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.

Joel 2:1 (New International Version)

¹ Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy hill. Let all who live in the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming. It is close at hand

LORD I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH – from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky

MAIN PASSAGE

Philippians 2:5-11 (New International Version)

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Question #1: Who was the _____ and who was the _____?

Philippians 1:1-2 (New International Version)

¹ Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all God's holy people in Christ Jesus at Philippi, together with the overseers and deacons: ² Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

List of Six Important Resources:

Commentary

Bible Dictionary

Concordance

Study Bible

Other Bible Translations

Maps

Question #2: What does the passage actually _____?

5 basic principles for interpreting what the Bible actually says:

- 1) Literal Principle –
- 2) Historical Principle
- 3) Grammatical Principle –
- 4) Synthesis Principle –
- 5) Practical Principle –

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Question #3: Are there words or _____ we should study in this passage?

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Greek Word for “Let”: Aphiemi –

Greek Word for “Relationships”: Koinonia–

Greek Word for “Servant”: Diakonos –

Greek Word for “Humbled”: Tapeinoo -

Matthew 23:12 (New Living Translation)

¹² But those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Greek Word for “Obedient”: Hupakuo -

Question #4: What is the immediate _____ of the verse?

Philippians 2:1-4 (New International Version)

¹ Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² **then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.** ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

Philippians 2:12-18 (New International Version)

¹² Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose. ¹⁴ **Do everything without grumbling or arguing,** ¹⁵ so that you may become blameless and pure, “children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation.” Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky ¹⁶ as you hold firmly to the word of life. And then I will be able to boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor in vain. ¹⁷ But even if I am being poured out like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service coming from your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you. ¹⁸ So you too should be glad and rejoice with me.

Question #5: How does this passage fit into the _____ and book context?

Philippians 4:1-3 (New International Version)

¹ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends! ² **I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord.** ³ Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Go back to your passage now and reconsider

Philippians 2:5-11 (New International Version)

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Question #6: Are there verses that are related to the passage's _____, and how do they affect the understanding of this passage?

Philippians 1:3-6 (New International Version)

³ I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:12-14 (New International Version)

¹² Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. ¹³ As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. ¹⁴ And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.

Philippians 1:15-18 (New International Version)

¹⁵ It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. ¹⁶ The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁷ The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. ¹⁸ But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.

Question #7: What are the historical and _____ background circumstances I need to understand?

Philippians 1:13 (New International Version)

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Question #8: What are my _____ about the passage?

Philippians 2:5-11 (New International Version)

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Question #9: Do my conclusions _____ or _____ with related areas of Scripture and others who have studied the passage?

Question #10: How do I take what I have learned and _____ it to my life?