

Training & Equipping

Inductive Bible Study

Ground Rules

1. Be Humble – We will not agree on everything
2. Be Teachable – We all need to grow and no one is right on everything
3. Be Reasonable – Not everything is worth dying over
4. Be Worshipful – Every truth is meant to cultivate deep affections for God

Exegesis

-Literally means “to guide out”

“Hermeneutics concerns principles of interpretation (i.e., it’s about how the interpretive process works), and exegesis applies those principles. Hermeneutics supplies the tools to discover the text’s meaning, and exegesis uses those tools.”¹

“Therefore, as a basis for doing theology, we agree with Klein, Blomberg, and Hubbard in the premise that ‘valid theologizing must follow the sound exegesis of the appropriate biblical texts.’”²

-The opposite of exegesis is eisegesis which literally means “to guide in”

The Exegetical Scale

-Proof-Texting is not exegesis. (We could call this “textjacking”)

“Proof-texting is when you use isolated scripture passages or quotes out of context to support a specific viewpoint or argument, often without considering the broader context or intended meaning of the text.”³

Why does “textjacking” exist?

¹ Naselli, *How to Understand and Apply the New Testament: Twelve Steps from Exegesis to Theology*.

² Jr. Fuhr Richard Alan and Andreas J. Köstenberger, *Inductive Bible Study: Observation, Interpretation, and Application through the Lenses of History, Literature, and Theology* (Nashville, TN: B&H, 2016), 340.

³ Google AI’s definition.

-We want to prove a moral directive

-We want to motivate or give self-help

-We want to make an appeal for political support

-We want to prove our systematic theology

-What we say should always be biblical:

-We don't use the Bible to prove what we're saying-*even if what we're saying is a biblical truth.*

-We say things to demonstrate what the Bible is saying-*even if we don't like it.*

Notes

Homework

1. Watch Lesson 4 - Inductive
2. Read from Inductive Bible Study
 - “Unit 1: Introduction: Sizing up the Task” (p.1-4)
 - “Bridging the Gaps: Facing the Challenges to Understanding” (p.4-5)
 - “Gaps Related to History” (p.6-14)
3. Interact with this summary from page 4. The Bible is an ancient, human book and it is the divine and relevant Word of God.

4. List the two biggest historical gaps you will have with your passage for this summer.

5. If you have time, watch "June 5, 2022 ARICM 2022 Sunday PM"
 - The sermon is from minute 1:28:50-2:09:10 (I love the last statement he makes... “You gotta make sure you go back to the book.” HA!
 - If you’re interested, you can watch the baptisms from 31:37-44:12
 - The closing remarks and invitation is quite sensational too from 2:09:10-to the end.

<https://www.youtube.com/live/5l4gZ9Nn9Co>