

THE GREAT TEXTS vol. 2

*Sermons in honour of
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Read – Read the passage in its context several times. Read it slow enough to understand what God is saying through it.

- What ideas or words are emphasised, repeated or related in this passage?
- In your own words, what is the main idea of this passage? (Try to summarise these verses in 10 words or less)

Examine – Next, try to understand the specifics of what the passage is communicating.

- What do you notice about God? What has he done/is he doing in these verses?
- What do you learn about Jesus and his gospel from this passage?
- What does it reveal about people?
- How do you think the writer wanted his reader to respond to these words?

Apply - After seeking to understand God's Word in this passage, consider how he intends to use it in your heart and life today.

- Talk about Job's hope in the face of death in Job 19. Where does he go from "wishing" to "knowing" and what does he know?
- When Job calls God his "goel" (kinsmen redeemer), this has a threefold meaning: He avenges injustice, he redeems by buying him out of slavery, and he gives his relative back his land and continues his Name. What does that mean for Job? And what does it mean for you when you think about what Christ has done for you?
- Death in the face of resurrection is transformed to a gardener. In Christ, death loses its sting and has no victory. Our hope is bodily resurrection and seeing God in our flesh. What does the hope of resurrection mean for us who, like Job, suffer bodily - some in heavy ways? Why can we "know" this? Think about the redeemer who lives. Reflect on the joy of everlasting and perfected life in the presence of God. Revel in it. How may looking towards that hope impact your present day?