

HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE - Interpretation

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- I. The Introduction
- II. The Preliminary Exegesis
- III. The Principles of Observation

IV. The Principles of Interpretation

A. The Interpretative **Process**

- 1. The Questions
- 2. The Answers
- 3. The Meditation

B. The **Terms** -

word study

1. The **Characteristics** of Terms

- a. Arbitrary Signs
- b. Range of Meaning
- c. Meaning in Context
- d. Change over Time
- e. Other

2. The **Range of Meaning**

- a. The Concordance Usage
- b. The Meaning in Dictionary
- c. The Possible Meanings

3. The **Meaning in Context**

4. The **Examples**

C. The **Structure** -

structural analysis

1. The Basic Analysis

- a. Isolate Complete Sentences
- b. Identify Clauses
- c. Identify Subject & Verb
- d. Other Grammatical Issues

2. The Mechanical Layout

3. The Diagramming