

Christian Ministry Unit 2
Using Your Bible
Exam Review Guide

Week 1

- Know these definitions:
 - Biblical perspicuity
 - Hermeneutics
 - Interpretation
 - Application
- Know the relationship between interpretation and application.
- Know what it means to interpret grammatically.
- Know what it means to interpret historically.
- Know the four rules for critical interpretation.
- Know the 2 implications of God's part and man's part in interpreting the Bible.

Week 2

- Know the two ways that narratives teach spiritual truths.
- Explain how to identify the main point of a narrative.
- What mistakes should you avoid when reading narrative?

Week 3

- Know these definitions:
 - Proverb
- Why does God command us to praise him?
- What does it mean to fear God?
- Give application restrictions on the Proverbs.
- What is the purpose of the Proverbs?

Week 4

- Know these definitions:
 - Restorationism
 - Signs and wonders
- Who is the central character in Acts?
- Name four ways the Holy Spirit empowered early Christians to carry out Christ's mission.
- What is the main theme of Acts?
- Know the difference between the *descriptive* and *didactic/teaching* portions of scripture.
- Know the *relationship* between descriptive and prescriptive/didactic scriptures.
- What was the purpose of miracles in the apostles' ministry?
- What restrictions did Paul place on the use of tongues in a public meeting?
- In what ways were the original Apostles different than Christians today?
- Someone challenges the vitality of your relationship with God because you do not speak in tongues. How would you respond?
- Be able to answer: "If dramatic miracles and tongue-speaking aren't normative, why are they in so prevalent in Acts?"

Week 5

- Know these definitions:
 - Occasional documents
 - Inductive study
- Know the four steps of an inductive overview.
- Be able to explain how to find the main point of a paragraph.

Week 6

- Know these definitions:
 - Revelation
 - Speculation
 - Verbal plenary inspiration
- Know the two qualifications of our definition of verbal plenary inspiration.
- Be able to answer: “Why does the Bible have to be accurate in matters of history, geography and science?”
- How do you identify which word(s) you should study more carefully in a passage?
- Explain the difference between *translation* and *transliteration*.

Week 7

- What are the three tests for the historical reliability of any text?
- Know this significance of these fulfilled messianic prophecies – what do they tell us about Jesus death?
 - Psalm 22
 - Isaiah 53
 - Daniel 9
- What was Jesus’ view of the Bible (the Old Testament, his own words, and the New Testament)? You should be able to cite and quote passages that support your position.
- Review the week 7 lecture notes and be prepared to write a one-page explanation of why it is reasonable to believe that the Bible is inspired.

Week 8

- Know these definitions:
 - Canonicity
 - The Apocrypha
- What criteria was used to determine which books to include in the Old Testament? The New Testament?
- Why don’t the Apocryphal books belong in the Bible?
- Why don’t the pseudopigraphal books belong in the Bible?
- Be prepared to write a one-page response to the following situation: Your friend tells you that the gospels in the Bible are the wrong ones and that they portray Jesus inaccurately. The truth about Christ is in the Gospel of Thomas.

Memory Verses

Week 1

- 2 Timothy 2:7* – Promises God's illumination of scripture, and also says we must exercise our minds to understand it.
- 2 Timothy 2:15* – We must invest effort to interpret accurately, and we should be ashamed if we can't do this.

Week 2

- 2 Samuel 7:11-16** – The Davidic Covenant. God promises that one of David's descendants will sit on his throne and rule forever.

Week 3

- Psalm 42 & 43** – Why are you downcast, O my soul? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him.
- Psalm 107** – God rescues those who cry out to him. Give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men.
- Proverbs 1:7* – The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Week 4

- Acts 1:8* – The Holy Spirit empowered early Christians to take the gospel out from Jerusalem to the world.
- 1 Corinthians 14** – Explains the primary purpose of the gift of tongues and provides regulations for its use in Christian meetings.
- 2 Corinthians 12:12* – The apostles were uniquely authorized to perform signs and wonders and miracles.
- Acts 2,8,10,19** – Instances of delay between belief in Christ and receiving the Holy Spirit; also instances of speaking in tongues

Week 5

- None

Week 6

- 2 Timothy 3:16,17* – All scripture is "God-breathed."
- 2 Peter 1:20,21* – All scripture has its origin in God rather than in humans.

Week 7

- Matt. 5:17,18* – The Old Testament is completely accepted by Jesus.
- Matt. 24:35* – Jesus' own words are authoritative.
- Matt. 10:40* – Jesus pre-authenticates the Apostles' words.

Week 8

- None

* means memorize the verse verbatim.

** means memorize the summary of the verse provided above.