

YOU AND GOD

Fundamentals of a Very Personal, Meaningful and
Productive Relationship with God

Fundamental 4

The Greatest Book in the World

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PART 7

8. 4 Questions that must be answered when studying the Bible

Question 1: **Who** is speaking/Writing?

- Not complicated, it's in the context
- God, Moses, the Prophets, Jesus, Luke, Peter, James, John, Paul?

Question 2: **To Whom**?

- Key: What then applies to whom?
- Adam, Noah, Moses, Israel, Body of Christ?

Question 3: **When**?

Question 4: **Why**? For what purpose?

Never just ask 1st question = Wrong conclusion!!

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Adam: Genesis 2:7-9, 15-20. Man sinned: 3:22-24

Noah: Genesis 6:5-8, 11-14a. After the flood: 8:20-22

The Point: If *that* is so clear, why not apply the 4 Q's to all of it, all of the time?? You **MUST** if you want to understand and apply the Bible correctly, it has to become a regular habit!

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Gross misapplications of scripture:

Isaac's Bride: Genesis 24:1-7

Moses: Exodus 19:3-6

Joshua: Joshua 1:1-8

Hannah: I Samuel 1:1-20

Psalms: Big problems: 1) 5 specific sections presenting Christ as Redeemer, Deliverer, Avenger, King and Blessor

2) Relying on the grace resident in God's I AM Jehovah

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Solomon: Proverbs 3:1-6

Isaiah: 53:1-8

Jeremiah 29:11 – But consider the context! 29:8-14

Matthew 10:5-8

The prayers of scripture (F6)

How God is empowering us today (F7)

Commissions of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts, 2 Co. (F8)

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The purpose of our gathering as a church (F9)

The various hopes, and *our* hope (F10)

The purpose of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John

The purpose of Acts

Paul's epistles and the need to answer the 4 Questions