

## Review

- 1) What is Exegesis? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) What is Eisegesis? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Matching Place the answer and a modern example on the line Bank

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Historical Narrative _____</li> <li>• Genealogies and Chronicles _____</li> <li>• Law _____</li> <li>• Poetry &amp; Proverbs _____</li> <li>• Didactic _____</li> <li>• Apocalyptic _____</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A) Acts</li> <li>B) James</li> <li>C) Leviticus</li> <li>D) Matthew 1</li> <li>E) Psalms</li> <li>F) Revelation</li> </ul>
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## The Importance of Faithful Exegesis

- Your ability to withstand the \_\_\_\_\_ of life will be directly related to how deeply \_\_\_\_\_ your life is in the word of God.
- If we understand that this is what scripture is saying, why do we keep \_\_\_\_\_ God while He's speaking to us?
  - 1 Timothy 3:14-17 (God-Breathed, Making Wise, Teaching, Reproving, Correcting, Training, Equipping)
  - Hebrews 4:12 (Living, Active, Discerning Thoughts & Intentions)

## Understanding Historical Context

- When it comes to understanding scripture, \_\_\_\_\_ is King
  - "Any text, without a context, is a pretext for a proof-text."
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - "A text can never \_\_\_\_\_ what it never meant" -Gordon Fee
- Interrupting God
  - Philippians 4:13 vs Philippians 4:10-13
  - Jeremiah 29:11 vs Jeremiah 29:4-14
- According to 2 Timothy 2:15, we are to do our best to present ourselves to God as one approved... rightly handling the word of truth.
  - Deep Breath... This isn't open-heart surgery.
  - You're not infallible, only \_\_\_\_\_ is infallible.

- We can't understand the text \_\_\_\_\_, but we shoot for PERFECT and land somewhere that's both FUNCTIONAL and \_\_\_\_\_.

### *Three Levels of Historical Context:*

- Covenantal
  - What does this text mean in light of God's \_\_\_\_\_ plan?
  - Guiding Questions:
    - Does this text \_\_\_\_\_ from anywhere else in the Bible?
    - Does this text \_\_\_\_\_ to anywhere else in the Bible?
    - Does this text \_\_\_\_\_ on any other ideas in the Bible?
  - This is what's behind the saying: Scripture \_\_\_\_\_ Scripture.
    - Example: Hebrews 10:19-23
- Cultural
  - What does this text mean in light of what was happening in the \_\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_\_ at that time?
  - Guiding Questions:
    - Where are they? \_\_\_\_\_
    - Are other nations involved? \_\_\_\_\_
- Circumstantial
  - What does this text mean in light of what was happening to the person(s) to whom this is written?
  - Most applicable when reading Epistles (letters) and some OT prophets.

### *A Careful Balance*

- Hyponatremia
  - Symptoms: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Cause: \_\_\_\_\_
- You need \_\_\_\_\_ context but give it too much weight, and we're no longer Christians, we're just historians.
- This is why Historical Context is important for us. We have a faith that is **historical**, but not a faith that is **history**.
- Our faith is as relevant today as it's ever been and God is speaking to us through an ancient book with modern truths.
- Jen Wilkin says, "As ministers of the Gospel, we don't teach new things, we teach old things recently forgotten."