

***Dig Deeper* by Nigel Beynon & Andrew Sach**

What is the Bible? Divine book, Alive (not dead history), True without mistakes, Understood only through the Spirit of God, What God says goes, Human book (human styles)

Author's Purpose Tool

What is the author saying? What is he not saying?

Context Tool

word, sentence, paragraph, section, chapter, book, author, Bible

Structure Tool

How is text divided? How are divisions related?

Types: Bookends, Chiasm

Linking Words Tool

reason (right arrow) result: therefore, consequently, for the reason.

result (left arrow) reason: for, because, since, so

Parallels Tool

Repeat phrase to help with meaning

Types: Antithetical (opposite), Chiastic (reverse)

Narrator's Comment Tool

Vocabulary Tool

Do not assume meaning of word!

Translations Tool

literal (word-for-word, NASB, ESV), dynamic (idea-for-idea, NIV, NLT),

paraphrase (modern English, The Message)

Tone and Feel Tool

Repetition Tool

Quotations/Allusions Tool

Genre Tool

songs, prophecies, proverbs, laments, visions, speeches, parables, narrative

Copypat Tool

What are we to copy? Bible description does not equal prescription

Bible Timeline Tool

Creation, Fall, Death of Jesus, Resurrection of Jesus, Return of Jesus

Where is this occurring on the timeline relative to where I am?

"Who am I?" Tool

Who is this person relative to who I am?

We might be the villain, not the hero.

"So What?" Tool

What is author's purpose?

Apply the Bible to your life.

Do I need to stop/start doing something?

Motives matter! Action and thought!