## How to Read and Interpret the Bible

A Bible Overview Information Paper

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1. Read it in the literal sense: when the plain sense makes common sense, seek no other sense

2. Read it in the grammatical sense: don't add meaning to already established words and terms. Don't make it what you want it to mean.

- 3. Read it in its historical sense. Put it in context.
- 4. Read it in its geographical sense
- 5. Read it to:
  - Observe: What do I see?
  - Interpret: What does it mean?
  - Application: How does it apply to me?

The Bible is our authority. See "Is the Bible truly God's Word?" at: <u>https://www.gotquestions.org/Bible-God-Word.html</u>