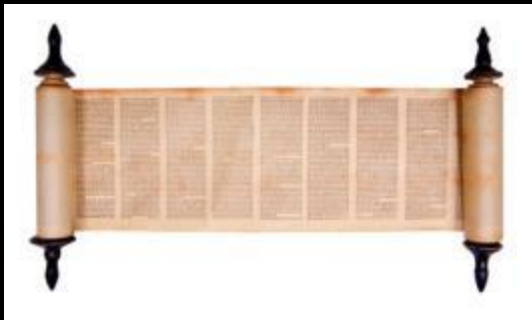


ORGANIZING AND DIGGING

From Scroll to eBook Session Six



WELCOME TO SESSION SIX

- Slides available at www.kelleycentral.com
 - This session taught at New Hope Eugene by Dr. Mark Kelley
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The Bible is the only
book whose author
is always present
when one reads
it.



TONIGHT'S PLAN

- Organizing the Bible
 - Creating a User-friendly Bible
 - eBook – www.blueletterbible.org
 - Everyone can access powerful study tools
 - Other online tools for understanding your Bible
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ORGANIZING BY “TESTAMENTS”

- The Bible is divided into two “Testaments”
 - This testament is a covenant
 - Covenants are promises God makes to humans
- NT writers never called the Hebrew scriptures “Old”
 - Maybe “First Covenant” or “First Testament” would be better

TWO PROMISES

- First Covenant
 - “Keep My laws, and you will be my people”
 - New Covenant
 - “Accept My son and you will be my people”
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CHAPTERS AND VERSES

- For centuries, the Bible had no chapters or verses
 - Chapters divisions were created in 13th Century
 - Archbishop Stephen Langton
 - Verse divisions were created in 1551
 - Robert Estienne
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BIBLE IS NOT LAID OUT AS A TIME LINE

- Genesis records the first human events
 - Genesis may not have been the first book written (Job)
 - Ezra, Nehemiah and Esther were written well after Jeremiah and the Minor Prophets
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NEW TESTAMENT TIME LINES

- 1 Thessalonians may have been the first book written
 - Soon after Paul left Thessalonica – AD 51
 - Mark was probably the first gospel written
 - Approximately AD 60
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BIBLE TOOL: BLUELETTERBIBLE.ORG

- There are several FREE valuable Bible resources on the Internet
 - www.Bible.org
 - www.Biblos.com
 - www.biblegateway.com
 - www.blueletterbible.org

OPEN WWW.BLUELETTERBIBLE.ORG

- Search for John 3:16 – you can select from many versions
- Tap on “tools” to the left of the verse
- An “interlinear” Bible appears
 - This shows each English word and the Greek word it translates

STUDYING JOHN 3:16

- Click on “loved” and all the times “loved” appears in the Bible pops up.
- Click on “g25” the Strong’s column next to loved, and a definition of the Greek word appears

STUDYING JOHN 3:16

- Words to dig into:
 - “world”
 - Who did God give his son for?
 - “gave”
 - God handed over – like the sacrificial lamb
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OTHER COOL POSSIBILITIES

- Listen to the Bible text you selected
 - Copy or print a passage of the Bible
 - Research the Introduction (background) of any book
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GREAT INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEOS

- YouTube videos at The Bible Project channel
- [Bible Project Intro to Luke](#)

DIGGING IN THE BIBLE YIELDS TREASURES

- If you seek it like silver
and search for it as for hidden treasures,
⁵ then you will understand the fear of the LORD
and find the knowledge of God.
 - Proverbs 2:4-5, ESV