



## **Bible Handling Skills**

### **Week 4**

#### **Learning To Read The Big Picture**

*'All scripture is breathed out by God, and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.'*

– 2 Timothy 3:16

# What do we mean by the Big Picture?

Haven't we been going on about the importance of the details?

## Bible Words

Understanding the technical words the Bible uses.

How might you define these words:

- Hope (Romans 8:24-25)
- Propitiation / sacrifice of atonement (Romans 3:24-25, Heb 2:17)
- Glorify (John 17:5)

# Quotations

When the Bible references its self.

**John 19:31-37 (Exodus 12:46, Zechariah 12:10)**

*Read through the passage in John 19 and then look up the passages John quotes in verses 36 and 37.*

- What is the context of each passage?
- Who or what is each quote speaking about in its original context?
- What do you think John is trying to show by using these quotes?
- How does understanding the quotes expand our understanding of passage?

# Allusions / Bible Themes

When the Bible alludes to its self.

**John 15:1-8 (Psalm 80:8-12, Hosea 10:1, Isaiah 5:1-7)**

*Just reading the John 15 passage.*

- What does Jesus claim to be?
- What happens to branches that do not bear fruit and that do bear fruit?
- How can a branch bear fruit?
- How too is it that we are able to bear fruit?
- What does our bearing of fruit achieve?

*Read the Old Testament passages (Particularly Isaiah)*

- Who are God's vine/vineyard?
- What is God's judgement on this vineyard?
- In the light of this, how does Jesus' claim to be the true vine take on even more significance?
- What confidence can we have, knowing that we are part of the True Vine?

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