

# **The Basics of Bible Interpretation**

Lesson 7 – Understanding Historical Narrative

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- I. **Read these passages as true, factual \_\_\_\_\_ accounts.**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- II. **Identify the \_\_\_\_\_ for the book in which the story is given. Then seek to understand how the story fulfills that \_\_\_\_\_.**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- III. **\_\_\_\_\_ any word meanings or cultural background details that you may not understand.**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- IV. **Familiarize yourself with the \_\_\_\_\_ in the story.**

V. Resist the urge to \_\_\_\_\_.

VI. Look for helpful \_\_\_\_\_.

VII. Do not frivolously use OT narratives as \_\_\_\_\_ for your life today.

VIII. Consider the \_\_\_\_\_ method of observation.

### **Recommended Resources**

- The Theological Messages of the Old Testament Books*, by Rob Bell (BJU Press, 2010)
- Survey of the Old Testament*, by Paul Benware (Moody Press, 2004)
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### **Homework**

- Complete the History and Prophecy Worksheet
- Preview the recommended resources online