

How to Study the Bible (Part 8)

Literal Interpretation

Keys to Reaching a Proper Interpretation:

- 1.) R_____ the effort involved in interpretation.
 - 2 Timothy 2:15
 - Proper interpretation requires effort!

- 2.) R_____ the objective rules of interpretation.
 - God's Word is not a magical book
 - God's Word is recorded in normal human language

- 3.) I_____ the rules of literal interpretation.
 - Avoid spiritualizing the text
 - Acts 27:27-29
 - Matthew 28:2
 - Biblical numerology
 - Two types of literal
 1. Plain literal -
 2. Figurative literal -
 - 3 Steps to Rightly Interpreting Any Given Passage:
 1. Seek the plain literal _____ first.
 2. When the plain literal _____ the obvious, seek the figurative literal.
 3. When encountering a figure of speech, look at the _____ for the intention of the figure.

Conclusion:

- Apply principles to John 15:1