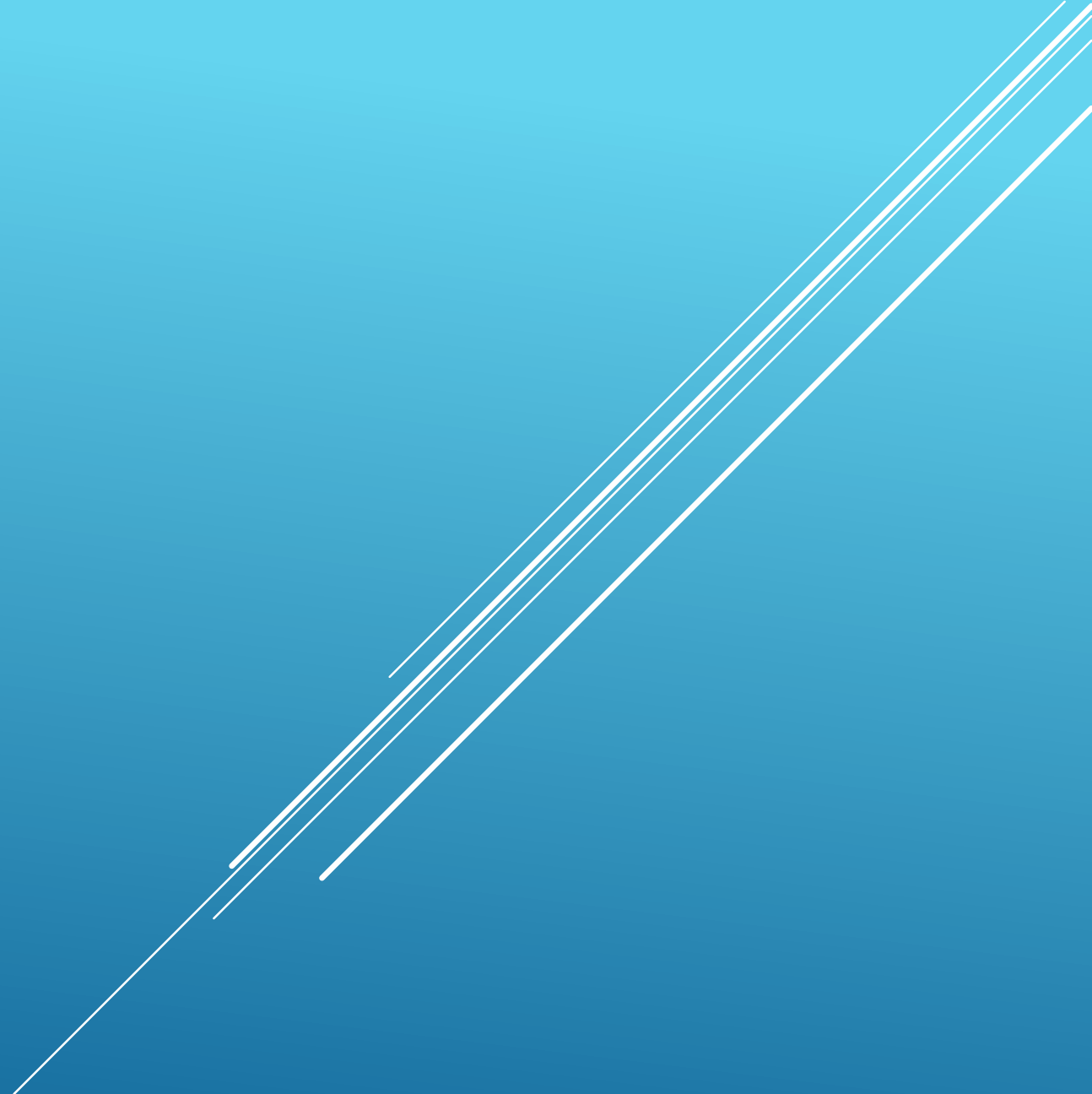


BIBLE STUDY

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PROBLEMS
WITH
PAUL



ISSUES OF INTERPRETATION

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RON ALLEN'S 4 PAULS:

- ▶ Historical Paul
 - ▶ Deutero Paul
 - ▶ Pastoral Paul
 - ▶ Luke's Paul
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A BIGGER PORTRAIT OF PAUL

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THE BIBLE IS
DANGEROUS

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JEFF SESSIONS
&
ROMANS 13

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*Scripture is our
highest authority, but
it is not our only
authority*

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ELIMINATING HARMFUL READINGS:

1. Recognize our ability to find anything we want in the Bible
 2. Develop Awareness of our own hermeneutical biases
 3. Practice Careful Contextualized Readings of the text
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Exegesis: the context, audience, original language, setting, and author are critical to an informed interpretation.

To understand what a passage is saying you have to take into consideration what it meant and said to those for whom it was originally written and why.

AN INFORMED READING OF PAUL:

1. Apostolic Authority v. Prophetic Speech
 2. Paul and Pseudepigraphy/ Deutero-Pauline
 3. Relationship of Context/Culture to Interpretation
 4. Hermeneutic of Analogy
 5. Developing a Pauline Hermeneutic
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CULTURE & CONTEXT

1. How have we worked around Paul's position on women and now have women clergy and pastors?
 2. How have we worked around Paul's position on slavery?
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CULTURE & CONTEXT

3. How much does the cultural context of the writer impact the Word of God through the writer?

4. How do we reconcile the contentions of culture between Paul's day and our own as it applies to interpreting scripture?



CONSIDER THE AUDIENCE:

- ▶ Location
 - ▶ Cultural Norms & Values
 - ▶ Proximity to the life & times of Jesus
 - ▶ Position within the Roman empire
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ALSO CONSIDER:

- ▶ Original Language
 - ▶ Goals of the Author
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PAUL'S CULTURE & CONTEXT

OUR CULTURE & CONTEXT

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BECOMING SELF-AWARE DISCIPLES

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