



## Questions To Ask Scripture

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### 1<sup>st</sup> Understand

#### Backstory.

Q: How did the geography, resources, and historical characters influence this story? \_\_\_\_\_

Q: \_\_\_\_\_ wrote this text. What was his past relationship with the original audience? \_\_\_\_\_

Q: What circumstance caused this story to be written to the original audience?

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Q: What is the genre of the text? \_\_\_\_\_

#### Words Matter.

Q: In context, which words or phrases did the writer emphasize to make key points to the original audience? \_\_\_\_\_,

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Q: Who are the main characters in this story, and were they role models or object lessons? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_; \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Q: What are the tensions, conflicts, and actions that drove this story? \_\_\_\_\_

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Q: Where does this story fit into the biblical meta-story? \_\_\_\_\_

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#### What did God say?

Q: What did God reveal about Himself in this story? \_\_\_\_\_

Q: What issue (sin) did God expose to the original audience? \_\_\_\_\_

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Q: What (Truth, Insight, or Principle) did God teach in this story? \_\_\_\_\_

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Q: What action did God prescribe for the original audience? \_\_\_\_\_

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### Then Apply

#### So What?

Q: What lesson or example in this story is the Spirit encouraging me to follow?

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Q: Is there something in this story that highlights my sin? \_\_\_\_\_

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Q: Is there a lesson in this story that the Spirit wants me to learn? \_\_\_\_\_

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Q: If I believed that God is God, how would this lesson change my life? \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Now What?

Q: How will I remember this lesson? \_\_\_\_\_

Q: What will I do today to put this lesson into practice? \_\_\_\_\_

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Q: Who will I share this lesson with today? \_\_\_\_\_