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The Bible GPS on Acts 9: 1-20

Agenda

1. How to interpret Narratives
2. The Bible GPS on Genesis 6: 5-8 > God
3. The Bible GPS on Genesis 22: 2-19 > Abraham
4. The Bible GPS on Exodus 2: 1-10 > Moses
5. The Bible GPS on 2 Samuel 11:1-27 > David
6. The Bible GPS on Luke 12: 15-21 > Jesus
7. *The Bible GPS on Acts 9: 1-20 > Paul*
8. The Bible GPS on Luke 15: 11-32 > God

Instruct



Use PPT slides 1-8 for this page

Ask Question



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S You can either ask a participant to read from a study Bible or you can share the situation (background). (slides 4 & 5)

T Ask a participants if they can tell what type of literature this passage is. Answer: Prose, narrative – story (slide 5)

A Ask a participants to read the passage. Ask participants if they can tell the plot structure? Refer to Day 271 in “The Bible as Your GPS” for the plot structure.

Ask a participant to read Day 271 from “The Bible as Your GPS.” The meaning structure follows the plot structure. (A, B, C – see slide 7)

Ask them if they can tell from this devotional what the message to the original receiver is. Remember that the message is implied. (slide 6)

Summarize the message to the original receiver: is ...

Everyone (good and bad, rich and poor) needs God’s grace.

R Ask participants if this message relates to the rest of the Bible? *Answer is YES* You can refer to passages like: Proverbs 22: 1; Ecclesiastes 5: 10, Matthew 6: 16-34 and 1 Timothy 6

T Tell participants that the commentaries confirm our finding.

Message to the original receiver is ...

Everyone (good and bad, rich and poor) needs God’s grace.

Ask participants if there are any questions at this time. Move to next page ...

APPLICATION

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Ask Question 

Ask participants if this is an incidental or essential

Ask Question 

Ask participants the following questions.

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Incidental

Essential *Answer: It is an essential (Moral) (slide 9)*

Answer the following questions ...

1. Saul was considered a very good person (*Phil 3: 4-8*). Why did he and all people (good and bad, rich and poor) also need grace? (*Romans 3: 23; Ephesians 2: 8-9*)

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2. Why do you think is it not always easy for good people to accept grace?

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3. Why do you think Saul's conversion was so dramatic? (*Acts 26:16-18, Acts 22:6-21*)

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4. What do you think is so amazing about grace (*Page 153 in Hearing God's Tweet*).

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5. CS Lewis once made the comment that grace is Christianity's unique contribution among world religions. Do you agree?

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