

GRASPING GOD'S WORD

How to Read the
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- Mark 2:19 - “And Jesus said to them, “Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast.”

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- Mark 2:25,28 - “And he said to them, “Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him:” “So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath.”

3. Dialogue

- i. Who are the participants?
- ii. Who is speaking to whom?
- iii. What is the setting?
- iv. Are others around?
- v. Are they listening?
- vi. Are they participating?
- vii. Is this an argument, a discussion, a lecture, conversation?
- viii. What is the point of the dialogue?

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- Romans 8:13 - “For if you live according to the flesh you will die,
but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will
live.”

6. Conditional Clauses

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- 1 John 1:6 - “If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.”

7. The Actions/Roles of People and the Actions/Roles of God

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- Ephesians 5:1-2 - “Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”

8. Emotional Terms

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- Galatians 4:12-16 - “Brothers, I entreat you, become as I am, for I also have become as you are. You did me no wrong. You know it was because of a bodily ailment that I preached the gospel to you at first, and though my condition was a trial to you, you did not scorn or despise me, but received me as an angel of God, as Christ Jesus. What then has become of your blessedness? For I testify to you that, if possible, you would have gouged out your eyes and given them to me. Have I then become your enemy by telling you the truth?”

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- Galatians 3:1-4 - “O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh? Did you suffer so many things in vain—if indeed it was in vain?”