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Questions

1. What is hermeneutics?
2. Why is the study hermeneutics important when studying the Bible?
3. What is the problem with viewing/studying the Bible through the linguistic rules of English Syntax?
4. What are the 6 senses that are included in the word *meaning*?
5. What are the four main models for understanding the Bible?

Answers

1. *Hermeneutics is the study of biblical interpretation.*
2. *The practice of hermeneutis is important because it allows the reader to truly interpret the Bible with its intended meaning.*
3. *The problem with studying the bible through the rules of English Syntax is that people will bring in their own interpretation instead of the intended one.*
4. *According to Silva, the six senses are, “(1) referent, (2) the sense, (3) the author’s intention, (4) the significance that a passage has, (5) its value, and (6) its entailment.”*
5. *The four main models for understanding the bible are historical-critical method, the proof text method, the syntactical-theological method, and the reader-response method.*

I. TERMS

- **Hermenutics: the study of interpretation; particularly biblical interpretation.**
- **Exegesis: the process of analyzing/ interpreting the bible..**
- **Historical-grammatical: a method of hermeneutics thats goal is to figure out the authors orginal meaning of the text**

SUMMARY

Chapter one of the book, *Introduction to Bibical Hermeneutics*, Moises Silva defines the term Hermeneutics and discusses the importance of it when it comes to biblical interpretation. Silva states that hermeneutics is important because the Bible cannot be view through just an english linguistic lens, rather that it needs to be broken down historically, linguistically, literary content and more. When we fail to us hermeneutics to interpret the bible, the text can be misinterpreted.

