He Gave Us Scripture
Study Guide 3.1
Lesson 3: Investigating Scripture
Section 1: Original Meaning

OUTLINE FOR TAKING NOTES

Introduction

I. Original Meaning

REVIEW QUESTIONS

3.1.1 According to the lesson, to seek to discover the original meaning of a biblical text means to investigate the "\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that the divine and human writers jointly intended the document to communicate to its first audience."

3.1.2 According to the lesson, the common tendency is to seek to understand only the \_\_\_\_\_\_ that the biblical writer intended to communicate to his original audience.

3.1.3 2 Timothy 3:16 states that all Scripture is useful for "teaching rebuking, correcting, and training in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_."

3.1.4 According to the lesson, what are the three main concerns, or matters to consider, when we seek to discern the original meaning of a biblical text?

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Is your tendency to think primarily about the concepts when you try to discover the original meaning of a biblical passage? How can you remind yourself to include the behaviors and emotions?

2. When you participate in a Bible study, what is the typical way they talk about the "meaning" of a Bible passage? Is the emphasize usually almost exclusively on the concepts, or do they include behavior and emotions? What kind of questions could you ask to help the group gain a more complete understanding of the meaning?