

Course: Introduction to Theology
Series: Building You Theology
Discussion Forum Four: Authority in Theology
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- 1. Does the modern church overemphasize the divine origin of Scripture? (0:10)**
- 2. Doesn't downplaying the human origins of Scripture make the Bible more exciting? (2:50)**
- 3. When Christians are illiterate, is it helpful for the church to make authoritative decisions? (4:35)**
- 4. Is it legitimate for the church to use images to teach illiterate Christians? (7:00)**
- 5. Did classical polyvalence always ground the figurative meanings of Scripture in its literal meaning? (10:25)**
- 6. How does a polyvalent approach differ from a search for literal meaning? (15:00)**
- 7. Were there good aspects of the medieval Roman Catholic Church? (17:25)**
- 8. How does the modern Roman Catholic Church interpret the Bible? (21:45)**
- 9. Did the Reformers really get their methods of interpretation from the Renaissance? (25:25)**
- 10. How did the interpretive methods of the Reformers accord with Scripture? (29:55)**
- 11. How did first-century Christians interpret the Bible? (33:15)**
- 12. Was Matthew concerned with the original meaning of Hosea? (37:10)**
- 13. Did the Reformers believe that Scripture could have multiple meanings? (38:50)**
- 14. Why did the church move away from a polyvalent view of Scripture? (40:35)**
- 15. Is every passage of Scripture limited to one, unified meaning? (45:35)**
- 16. Did the Reformers base their theology entirely on their exegesis of Scripture? (49:50)**
- 17. How clear are the teachings of Scripture? (52:50)**

18. Should we use clear passages of Scripture to interpret unclear passages?

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19. Is John 3:16 a clear passage? (1:02:15)

20. Should we hold all our beliefs with equal conviction? (1:06:10)