

### **Function**

- History – Recorded Fact
- Theology – Reveals God
  - His nature/power/purpose/interactions
- Anthropology – Reveals Humans
  - Our nature/limits/purpose/interactions

“I have revealed and saved and proclaimed – I, and not some foreign god among you.”

*-Isaiah 43:12*

“All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.”

*-2 Timothy 3:16*

- Supernatural God Explaining Our World To Everyday People

### **Form – Story**

- Leaves gaps
- Zooms in and out
- Focuses on people and events
- NOT Scientific Paper
- NOT Transcript
- NOT Detailed Analysis

## Interpretation Tools

- Faith – Allow God to Instruct

“By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God’s command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.” *-Hebrews 11:3*

- Read – Allow Bible to Clarify

“...they examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.”

- Study – Allow Learning to Sharpen

## Genesis:

**Accept What God Has Made Known  
Seek Knowledge, Clarity and Application  
Be Content With Unknowing**

## Genesis: Story So Far . . .

- God created the universe
- Adam & Eve: Like God for relationship
- Fall of man: Sin and rebellion
- World sinks into increasing wickedness
- Flood: Judgment
- Noah: Salvation
- Sin survived
- Abraham: Story of redemption. . .