

FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)
Week #1: How Do I Understand the Bible?

1) What do you see in the picture at right?

Does everyone in the group see the same thing?
Why is there a difference?



2) What does the following statement say: **GODISNOWHERE**
Does everyone in the group agree?

3) What words would you use to describe the Bible? Circle all that you think apply, then share with your group why you chose the words you did.

Long	Understandable	Complicated	Legend
True	Life Changing	Myth	Literal
Figurative	Historical	Authoritative	Wisdom
Inspired	Human	Encouraging	Irrelevant
Ancient	Confusing	Clear	Positive
Negative	Outdated	Contemporary	Relevant
Interesting	Compelling	Trustworthy	Entertaining

4) How would you describe your attitude toward reading the Bible:

- a) It has something important to say, but I won't be able to understand it.
- b) I can basically understand it, but it doesn't have anything relevant to say to me.
- c) It is a mystery to be solved or a code to be cracked.
- d) It is mostly myths and legends, but it points to spiritual truth.
- e) It is factually accurate in all respects.
- f) It made sense to the first people who read it, and so I can understand it also.
- g) something else?

Read Romans 15:4

5) What are the implications of this verse?

6) If some section of the Bible seems difficult to understand, what are some practical things you could do to increase your understanding?

7) Make a commitment to do one of these things (or at least take steps toward it) before the next time you meet as a group.

Take time to pray for one another.