Getting Inside Your Bible #5

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Welcome!

- This is the first of three weeks summarizing the New Testament
- Slides may be downloaded from www.kelleycentral.com

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Verse – Hebrews 1

In these last days God has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe" (Hebrews 1:2 NIV).

What Do We Learn About Jesus?

Hebrews 1:2 Sums up quite a bit

Recapping the Story

- Torah
- History
- Poetry
- Prophecy

An Overview of the Christian Scriptures (NT)

- The Son Brings God's Kingdom
 - Four Gospels
- The Church Expands God's Kingdom
 - Acts and the Epistles (Letters)
- God Finalizes His Kingdom
 - Revelation of Jesus Christ

Gospel ≠ Biography

• How many ways are the Gospels different from a Biography?

Biographies vs. Gospels

Detailed Childhood

Impartial point of view

Designed to Inform

- Almost nothing about childhood
- Biased in favor of Jesus

 Designed to motivate reader to accept Jesus

What are Gospels?

- Sermons
 - They end with a call to action
 - "Gospel" is a translation of "evangelism"
 - Both mean "Good News"

John's Altar Call

"Jesus did many other miraculous signs" in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. 31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name" (John 20:30-31 NIV).

Announcing the Kingdom

- #1 Preaching
- ¹⁴ After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!" (Mark 1:14-15 NIV)

Announcing the Kingdom

• #2 Healing (Mark 1:29-32)

#3 Exorcising (Mark 1:21-28)

Opening the Kingdom

 Jesus' death and resurrection are told as history in the Gospels

 Our theological understanding of the death and resurrection come from the epistles

Opening the Kingdom

In the Gospels, Jesus death & resurrection finish the picture of who he was.

"Surely this man was the Son of God!" (Mark 15:39)

Passage for SOAP

Luke 24:1-12