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A Matter of Interpretation

*... no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own
interpretation ...
2 Peter 1:20*

Reading the Bible

There are three questions to ask (among others) when reading the Bible:

1. What is God saying?
2. What does God mean by it?

3. What does God want done about it?

All three answers come from God. Hearing and receiving these answers come from living a lifestyle of discipleship. That means paying attention to and following after Jesus. Doing the Word of God as well as reading the Word of God sheds a lot of light on its meaning.

Doing the Bible

It is very easy to read something in the Bible with the thought that God is saying, "Do as I say not as I do." God is actually saying, "Do as Jesus does then you will know deeply what I am saying." How does Jesus pray, worship, heal, evangelize, etc., etc.? The way He does it is the way we do it. You will find yourself not just believing things about Jesus, but believing what Jesus believes.

Where To Start?

I recommend checking into two books that you might find very engaging. One is John Wimber's Power Healing. The other one is Walter Brueggeman's For The Common Good. Its almost Lent. You might find those two title opening up some doors for you before Easter.

Coming Attractions

Sunday, March 2, 2014 Worship at 10:00am

Wednesday, March 5, 2014 Ash Wednesday Worship at 6:00pm

Sunday March 9, 2014 Worship at 10:00am

Centerville Circle of Prayer

For Sun Trust Bank that many people and businesses will become financially stronger through the work of this bank.

Diocese of Virginia

Congregations and clergy of Aquia, Stafford; St. Margaret's, Woodbridge; St. Philip's, Richmond; Woodberry Forest School, Charlottesville; St. Bartholomew's, Richmond; and All Saints, Richmond

Metropolitan Richmond

For health care in Metropolitan Richmond: for persons living with HIV/AIDS and for their families, friends and communities; for persons working to find a cure.

Grace and Peace,

John Maher

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