Understanding the History Books of the Old Testament

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Prescriptive vs descriptive

Old Testament history is largely descriptive. Its purpose is not to articulate doctrine but to tell the story of how Israel did and did not live out the covenant of the Law with God.

Not everything that we read happened should be understood as God telling us this should be the way things always happen.

Avoid allegorizing

What is an allegory? What does it mean to allegorize? (This really means that, and that really means this.)



Avoid individualizing

This is where we read ourselves into the story as the main character.

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See God

(God in Christ) as the hero of the whole story and each story.

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What is your one takeaway from this session?

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