

HERMENEUTICS

General Hermeneutics

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I. The Introduction

II. The General Hermeneutics

A. The **Description**

1. The Definition - science & art of biblical interpretation
2. The Terms

B. The **Need**

C. The **History** (summary)

D. The **Approaches** (summary)

E. The **Essential Principles**

1. The **Introduction** - Grammatical-Historical-Contextual Method
2. The **Linguistic Principle** - determine meaning by the conventions of language
 - a. The Importance
 - 1) Verbal Inspiration
 - 2) Image of God & language
 - 3) God communicates with language
 - 4) Goal of Exegesis
 - 5) Biblical languages
 - b. Textual Criticism
 - c. Lexicography
 - d. Grammar & Syntax
 - e. Phonology
 - f. Morphology
 - g. Literary Devices
3. The Contextual Principle