

# Midterm Exam Study Guide

## Hermeneutics II

*On exam day, you may use your Bibles and a single-sided 8½" page of your own handwritten notes while taking the exam.*

If you will work through this while referencing your lecture and reading notes, making sure that you can answer each question, you will be well prepared for the Midterm Exam.

1. Which of the following are associated with an allegorizing hermeneutic?
  - Alexandria
  - Antioch
  - Fairbairn
  - Origen
2. Who defined “hermeneutics” as moving from what it *meant* to what it *means*?
  - A. John Calvin
  - B. Leonard Goppelt
  - C. Martin Luther
  - D. Krister Stendahl
3. Which of the following are associated with a typological hermeneutic based on the natural historical sense of the biblical text?
 

<input type="radio"/> Alexandria	<input type="radio"/> Antioch
<input type="radio"/> G. W. H. Lampe	<input type="radio"/> K. J. Woollcombe
<input type="radio"/> Leonhard Goppelt	<input type="radio"/> Origen
<input type="radio"/> Patrick Fairbairn	
4. Match the following people to the hermeneutical approach that Goldsworthy ascribes to them.
 

Empiricism	Augustine and the Reformers
Fideism	Tertullian
Presuppositionalism	Thomism and the Enlightenment
5. **10 points:** Explain Martin Luther’s four hermeneutical presuppositions.
6. **10 points:** Explain Goldsworthy’s summary of a contemporary evangelical hermeneutic with regard to *unity, authority, and meaning*\*
7. **5 points:** Diagram a proper understanding of the relation between *exegesis, biblical theology, and systematic theology*.<sup>†</sup>
8. **5 points:** How does modernism and postmodernism tend to undermine the unity of Scripture?
9. **5 points:** Briefly list some of the commonly suggested polarities between the Old Testament and New Testament.
10. **10 points:** Define what *Docetic* and *Arian* views of Scripture look like.<sup>‡</sup>

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\*Graeme Goldsworthy, *Gospel-Centered Hermeneutics: Foundations and Principles of Evangelical Biblical Interpretation* (Downers Grove, Ill.: IVP Academic, 2006), 193–98.

<sup>†</sup>D. A. Carson, “Systematic Theology and Biblical Theology,” in *New Dictionary of Biblical Theology* (ed. T. Desmond Alexander and Brian S. Rosner; Downers Grove, Ill.: InterVarsity, 2000), esp. 100–103; Goldsworthy, *Gospel-Centered Hermeneutics*, ch. 17; Kevin J. Vanhoozer, “Exegesis and Hermeneutics,” in *New Dictionary of Biblical Theology* (ed. T. Desmond Alexander and Brian S. Rosner; Downers Grove, Ill.: InterVarsity, 2000), 52–64; and associated lecture notes.

<sup>‡</sup>Goldsworthy, *Gospel-Centered Hermeneutics*, ch. 19.

11. **10 points:** Define Goldsworthy's three christological principles of hermeneutics as they relate to communicative process that involves a *communicator*, *message*, and *receiver*, especially as they relate to the hermeneutical "gaps" he describes.\*
12. **10 points:** Define what we mean by "illumination" and why we need it to read Scripture rightly.

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\*Ibid., 28–32.