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Hearing God's Voice in the Pages of Scripture

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You make me feel like

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Session #3

The Literature the Bible Contains

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How can we pay best attention to the literary features of the Bible in order to hear the trustworthy voice of God?

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The Significance of Infallibility

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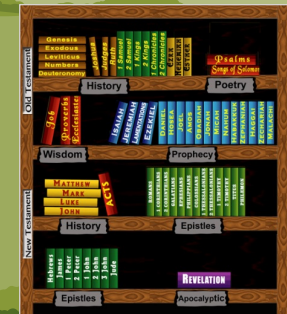
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Song of Songs 2:1

'I am a rose of Sharon,
a lily of the valleys.'

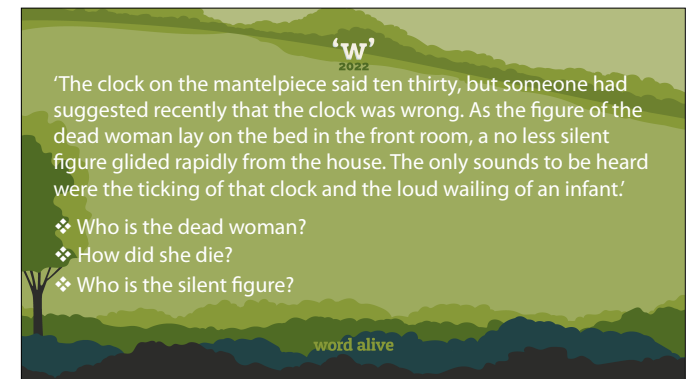
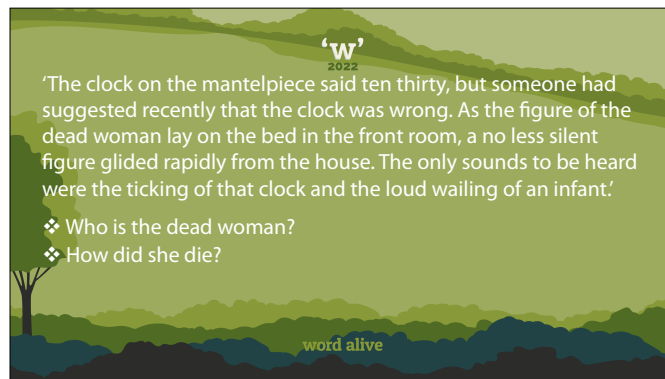
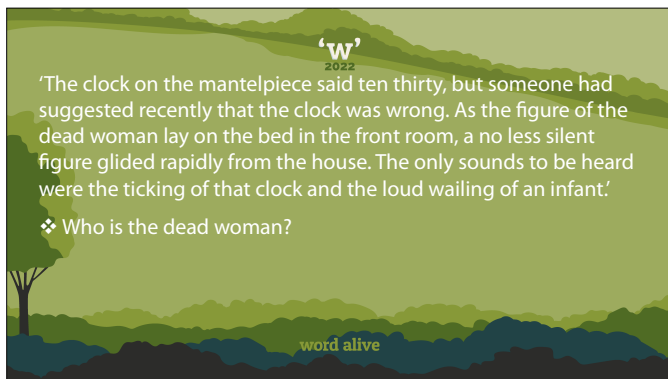
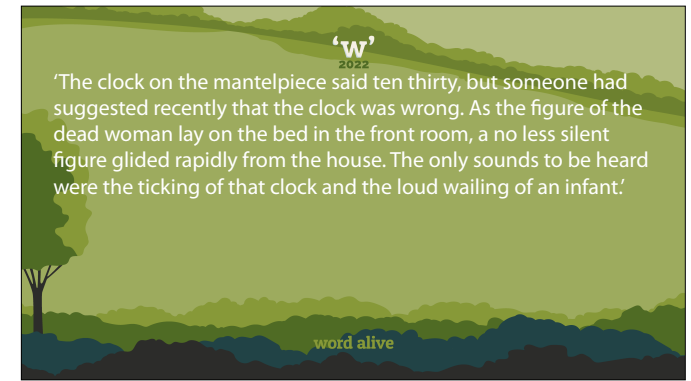
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The Importance of Genre *Opening Reflections*

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Genre



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Murder at Marplethorpe

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The Personal History of David Marplethorpe

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Genre...

- ❖ Recognise that there are various literary types in the Bible
- ❖ learn to identify them
- ❖ become acquainted with ways of interpreting them
- ❖ make sure to change gear as we come across them

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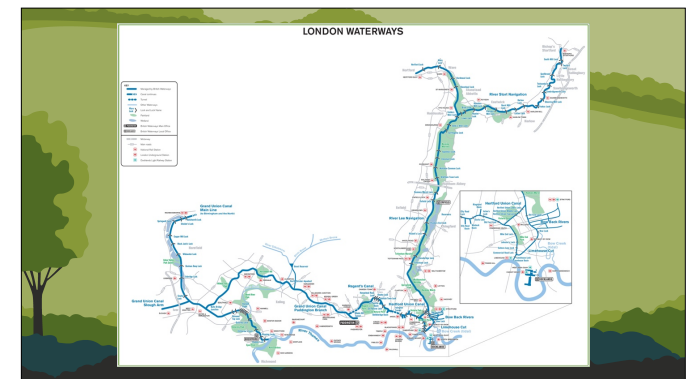
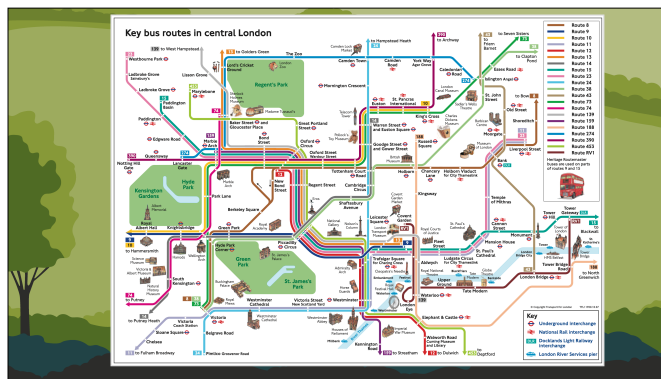
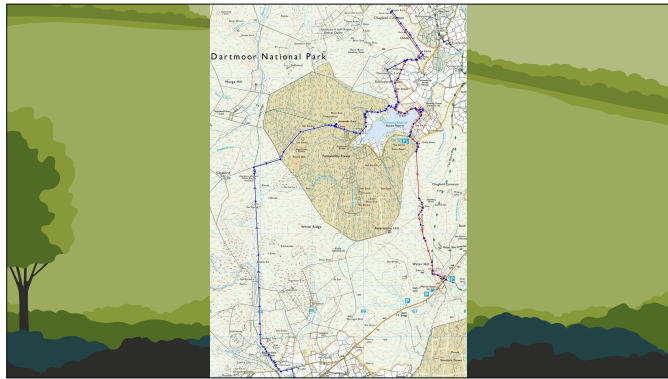
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For Reflection

Which biblical genre do you tend to gravitate towards as your ‘default’ mode – letter, narrative, poetry, something else? Why do you think you do so?

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The collage features a stack of various books and magazines on the left, including titles like 'Sweetwater', 'MEMENTO', 'ARCA M...', 'WESTERN', and 'SANDUSKY'. To the right, there are four maps: a topographic map, a color-coded map of the United States, a street map of a city, and another map showing a different geographical feature.



Revelation 1:1-4 ^{'W'}₂₀₂₂

"The revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, who testifies to everything he saw – that is, the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ. Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.

John,
To the seven churches in the province of Asia:
Grace and peace to you..."

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For Reflection

Basing your answer in 1:1-4,
what kind of book is Revelation?

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Are We Living in the Biblical End Times? What Scripture Says About Gog, Magog, and Russian Chaos

02-24-2022 - Billy Hallowell, Faithwire

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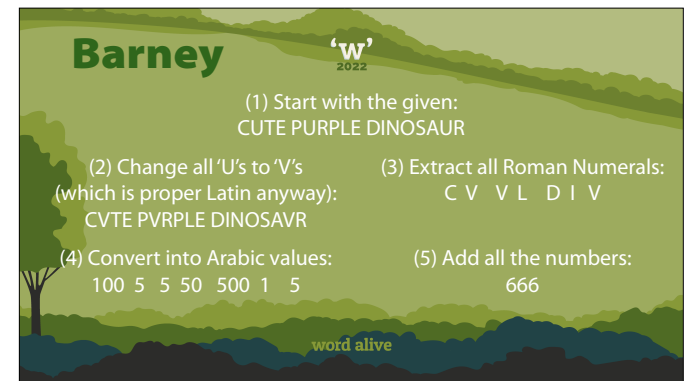
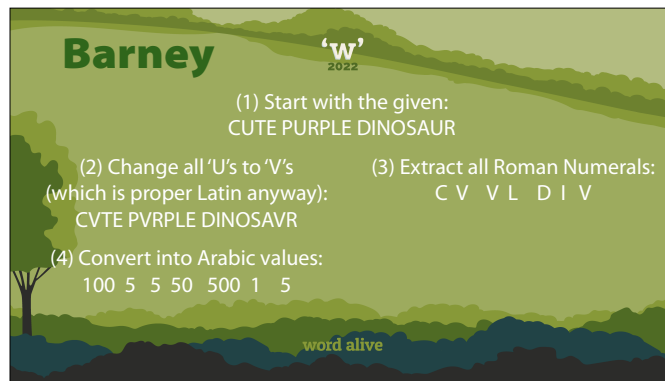
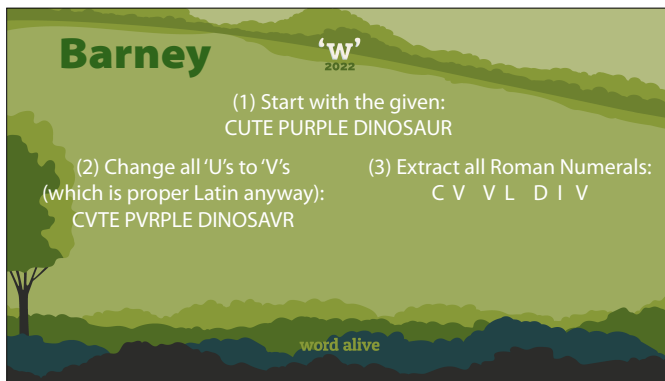
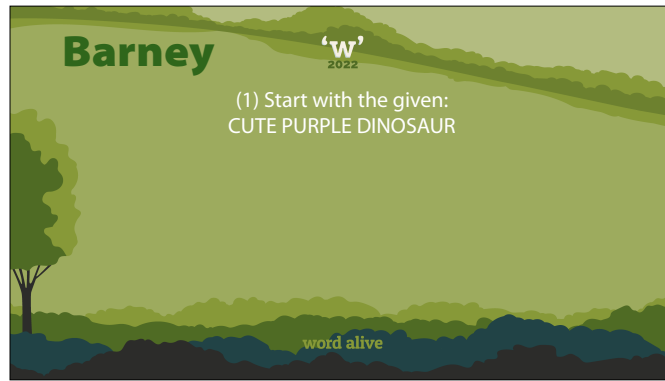
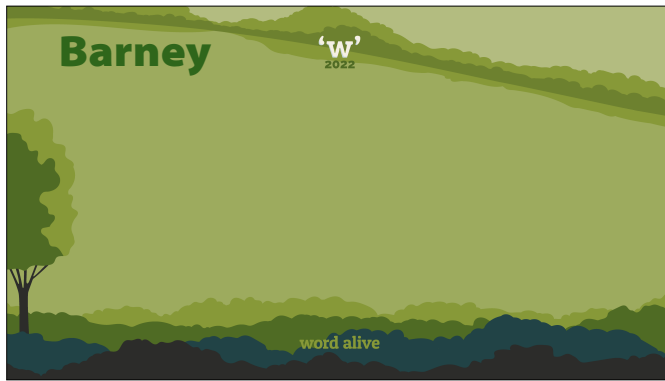
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666



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(1) Start with the given:
CUTE PURPLE DINOSAUR

(2) Change all 'U's to 'V's
(which is proper Latin anyway):
CVTE PVRPLE DINOSAVR

(3) Extract all Roman Numerals:
C V V L D I V

(4) Convert into Arabic values:
100 5 5 50 500 1 5

(5) Add all the numbers:
666

Thus, Barney is Satan.
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As a prophecy

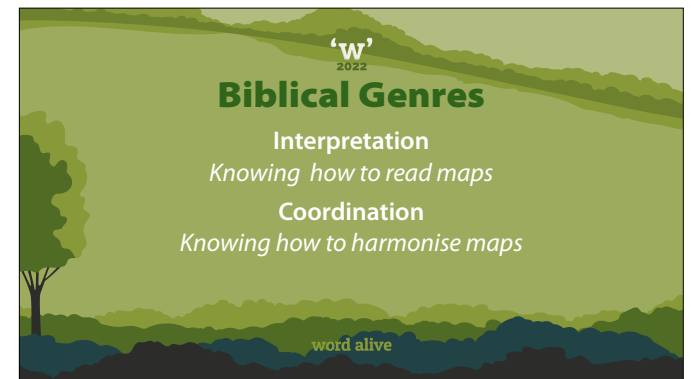
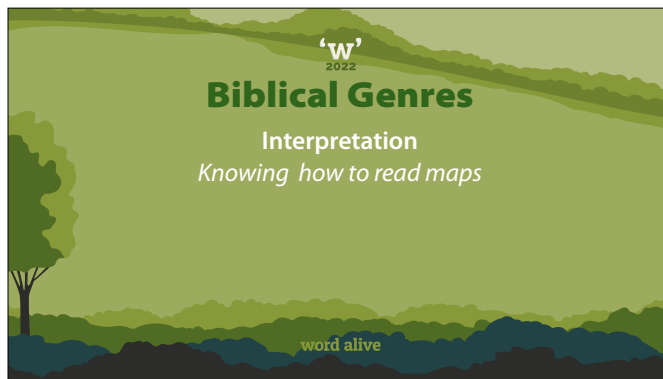
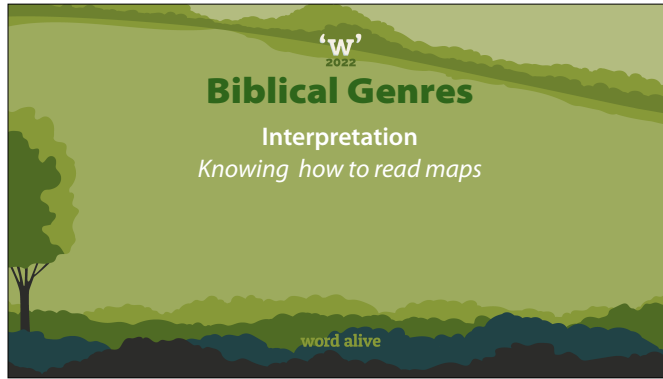
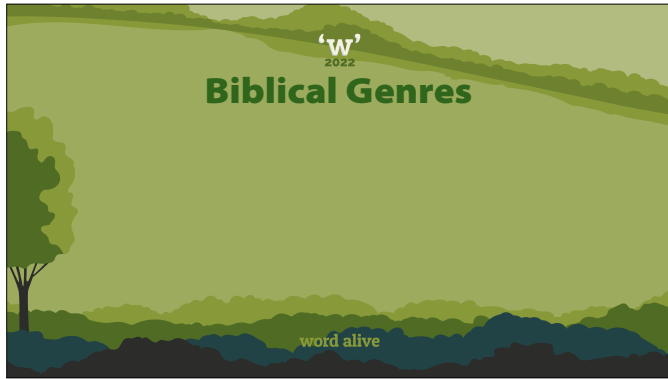
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The Importance of Genre
Further Thoughts





Biblical Genres on Sin... ^{'W'}₂₀₂₂

'God's law allows us to recognize instances of sin. The narratives, especially the highly condensed account of early human history in Genesis 4-11, show the rapid spread and universality of sin that spoils human relationships. The Psalms give us insight into the psychological dimensions of sin, for instance the sense of shame and the sense of guilt. They also remind us of the vertical dimension of sin: sin is ultimately against God. The prophets show that nations and peoples can be judged by God's Word as well as individuals, and that God is less interested in external conformity to the law than in heartfelt obedience...

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The wisdom literature shows sin as foolishness, for nothing is more fruitless than trying to deny the very created order which sustains one's being. Apocalyptic literature depicts sin as a supramundane power that will be ultimately defeated only by God. Lastly, the epistles expose sin as a power and corruption that has been defeated by Christ and which no longer has a hold over those who are in Christ. The canonical forms say more together than they do separately, and systematic theology ignores any one of them to its peril!

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Knowing how to read maps

Coordination
Knowing how to harmonise maps

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Formation
Knowing how to 'follow' maps

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How do we 'follow'?

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Letters?

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Letters?
Genealogies?

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How do we 'follow'

Letters?
Genealogies?
Song of Songs?

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Apocalyptic?

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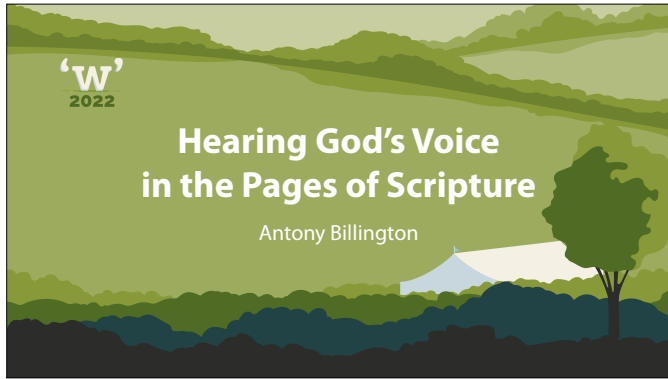
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