

Reading listening for the voice of God

Reading Scripture as participating in an alternative story (God is, and he has been revealed in Jesus) **and then reading the world through that Story** (If God revealed in Christ, then what now? Or, Letting ourselves be read by Scripture)

Modelling, Not Conforming**Reading Wisely**

Not safe or easy (What if we read the bible with the same awareness we have for the possibility of COVID?)

Read it for what it says**World in Front of the Text**

You! Your world

World Behind the Text

Them! Their World

World In the Text

Read how the text reads itself! (OT in the NT)

"We have one book, the Hebrew Scripture. The NT is an appendix that shows us how to read it!"

Read it for what it might also say

figural reading; moving beyond, but staying within

Read it in light of where the story is going

The restoration and renewal of all things

Understanding the past, interpreting the present, holding to the future

Read for what it says about your life, now

Not instruction, but interpretation (modelling, not conforming!)

If God is like x , how then should I live?

Your life in the context of others' lives

Not every text can support all these readings

Avoiding the Tyranny of Being Right (Jesus is already there!)

Not about intellectual information, but growing up in love

On Pelicans (Psalm 102)