Notes on Sermons

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Part 1 – Hermeneutics (the big idea)

Part 2 – Abuse in the Church

Recommended: Haddon Robinson "Bible Preaching"

Part 1 Hermeneutics

What does exegetical mean?

- To dig out or reveal the main idea from scripture
 - For example: we understand the letters and Books of the Bible are written as a whole unit
 - We then identify the paragraph or thought (theme or subject)
 - We analyse the chapters to the previous chapters to understand the context

Example: Luke 10:38 (at the Home of Mary and Martha)

- Examine the passages before and after
- How does this fit between the Good Samaritan and prayer?
- Prepare the ground work (What's going on and why)
- Determine what the author(s) main message
 - O Who are they and why are they related?
- The emotive verse (quite important)
- Draw an outline
- Two ways to determine the idea
 - o What is the subject of this?
 - O What is he saying about what he's talking about?
- Saying the big idea in a sentence

[&]quot;Devotion first and action second...there are 2 kinds of service"