

Educational Books

These are the books in the bible, which contain principles, issues or ideas, which the author is trying to explain throughout the book using several ways that give credibility and proof to their explanations. There are 2 different types of educational books: 1- Direct teaching such as all the epistles in the New Testament 2- Indirect such as the miracles and parables.

Examples of the Education books in the bible:

1. Any part, which presents direct teachings in the bible
2. Parts in the Old Testament like Deuteronomy
3. Parts in the gospels like Jesus' sermon on the mountain
4. Epistles of the New Testament (Main Educational books of the bible)

There are 2 types of Epistles

1. Pauline epistles or specific letters: They are tailored to a specific person, population or church. These letters answer specific questions, which were asked beforehand by the recipient or explain how to deal with certain issues faced at the time by the recipient. It is important to know the background of these letters before reading them such as
 - a. Who wrote it?
 - b. Who is the recipient?
 - c. Issues or questions discussed in the letter. The reason why it is important to learn in advance the background of the letter because the author is usually following up with the recipient whom he met before and either received a letter from concerning the issues or heard about the problems the recipients were facing.
2. Catholic or general letters: They are directed towards everyone and they discuss the general principles like the letters of James, Peter or John.

It is important to note that the Education books do not discuss the divinity of God but mainly the practical way of applying God's divinity in our lives. Therefore these books did not explain a lot of theology but rather discussed the issues in a more practical manner, which even used similar settings as the current time so people can relate to them more.

We can do a bible study on Galatians 1st so we get an idea of how to study an educational book