

So....what are some GOOD QUESTIONS to ask?

1. Who is the **author**? What is his **writing style** like?
2. Who was the **original audience** for it?
3. Why was the book written? What is **the purpose** of the book?
4. What is the **scope** of the book? What does it cover?
5. What are the **key doctrinal principles** in the book?
Theological themes?
6. **When** was the book written?
7. What were the **historical and personal circumstances** that accompanied the writing of this book?
 - a. What were the historical circumstances around the book that contributed to the purpose for its being written?
 - b. What are the personal circumstances of the author, the audience, and/or main characters in the book?
8. What **genre** is the book? What are the main features of that genre in the Bible?

9. What makes this book different? What are some interesting and **unique features** of the book?
10. Where does the book **take us**? Where does it **start**, and where does it **end**?
11. What are the **turning points in** the book? How do you know?
12. What are the **major sections** of the book? Give me an outline.
13. What does this book have to say about **the Lord Jesus Christ**? How does it relate to the person, death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ?
14. If it is a New Testament book, how does it relate to **the church**, the Body of Christ?
15. What words or points are **repeated** in the book?
16. What things are said with a particularly **strong emphasis**?
17. What topics or messages show up in **several sections** of the book?
18. What are one or more **key verses** in the book?