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**Topic: BIBLICAL STUDIES:**

Scriptural Diagramming:

This is a method for breaking a verse or sentence into pieces to better understand the text. In so doing, the Bible student gets the message from the Bible. The purpose for diagramming a biblical text is to give a more practical and precise clarity of a particular given text.

In addition to this method, there are three other methods that, when used alone with scriptural diagramming, will unearth the ancient and literary meaning of the Holy Scriptures. Those methods included:

- The Cultural Look at the text
- The Philosophical Look at the Scriptures
- And lastly, Scriptural Words studies.

Example of Diagramming a sentence from a Grammatical view base on the modern English Language.

- John is going to school.
  - A. John in the above sentence is a noun relating to parts of speech. John is also the main subject of the sentence. Making the entire sentence to focus on John and what action is John performing.
  - B. Is = this is a Linking verb; it describes the relationship between the subject of a sentence and a noun or an adjective in the same sentence.
  - C. Going = is a verb describing the action of John.
  - D. School = is a noun, which is also another subject in the above sentence.
  - E. TO = is a proposition in the above sentence.

I have gotten a complete understanding of how diagramming works; not to be sarcastic, but this is something that was taught in our grade school. However, it is now considered an old-fashioned method for speaking grammatically and seeing that the human family keeps upgrading themselves, and knowledge is rapidly growing. Making today's information outdated tomorrow morning. Let us now turn back to our discussion.

When it comes to the Bible, we need to know the language of the Holy Texts. Whether it is Hebrew, Greek, Aramaic, Latin, or ancient Semitic language, in so doing, we will be empowered to extrapolate the truth from the text in Hebrew, Greek, Aramaic, Latin, or ancient Semitic languages.

The Hebrew Old Testament language is unique and often overlooked by readers and students of the Bible. Mary Ellen Chase said: It is never the subject matter which confers distinction and power upon a work of art, but rather the manner in which that matter is presented. This manner includes not only the choice of words itself but also style and tone, form and pattern, various and distinctive literary devices, and even an intrinsic and often intangible spiritual quality—the end quote. Therefore, students of the text need to dive properly and intensively into the Bible.

### DIAGRAMMING THE SCRIPTURES:

#### *Genesis 1:27*

*So, God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.*

- God(subj)
- Hb. H430 ' אֱלֹהִים elohiym (el-o-heem') parent root:H410 ' אֵל el meaning: " strong leader"
- **Cultural background and Philosophy** behind the word God (el): the word "EL" in the pictographic writing is an OX head and a shepherd staff. OX is one of the strongest animals, and ancient Israel used it for agricultural purposes. The older

and most experienced OX was bound by a younger one by a yoke (a staff member). As the older and more experienced OX plowed the soil, the younger and inexperienced learned. Ancient Israel understood God as the older and most experienced OX who taught them, the younger and inexperienced OX, how to walk this life on earth. Jesus Christ spoke in this manner. Matthew 11:28-30.

- \* The Shepherd's Staff was understood as the shepherd's authority over his flocks. From this ancient understanding of leadership comes the scepter of a king. When we combined the two letters and meanings, we arrived at a more concrete meaning for the word God, which means a "STRONG LEADER."

Man (2nd sub)

Hb. iysh; Adam: meaning ruddy i.e. human.

- **iysh'** comes from the root; ANASH meaning weak and frail. in relations to human, it's the term ADAM: its root is "DAM" meaning blood. In the original pictographs the meaning for blood in Hebrew is a door and water or chaos. With these interpretations the concrete meaning for Adam (dam meaning blood) or man is a **“door to chaos”**.
- Concrete cultural background: The first man was breathed into by the strong one, making man be as He (God) is, meaning having the ability to balance order and chaos. The man was set in such a position that it was like standing on one toe while keeping balance, having a 50kg bag of rice on your shoulder, or being on top of a skyscraper looking down but keeping the balance for all eternity. The conclusion is Man was and is to keep balance on the land (earth).

Image (n)

Heb#:6754 תצל / tse-lem (noun): Image—A reproduction or imitation of the form of a person or thing. The form of something as a shadow of the original.