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**Quick Notes**

- Jesus was a Jewish man that follow Jewish customs and lived in a Jewish culture.
- Jcstudies.org
- The Old Testament is the only book Jesus had and studied.
- Replacement Theology – Jesus replaced the Jewish and Israel the Old Testament. Essentially, the OT (Old Testament) doesn't matter.
- Harmonizing the Gospels – wrong
  - o 3 gospels are the synoptics – Matthew, Mark, Luke
  - o As western American Christian, we try to put them together and make every detail match up
  - o The gospels are eye witness account and the wrote their gospels specifically to prove a point
    - Matthew organizes his gospel different to prove a point to Jews (quotes more OT then all others), Mark is writing to the Romans, Luke is writing the whole world (Luke and Acts are one big book)

**Eastern and Western thought:**

- **Eastern – Israel/Hebrew/Jewish nation**
  - o **Describe God in 1 word – emotive/emotional, thought in pictures**
  - o **God is a rock, an eagles wing, running water, fresh baked bread – Jesus taught this way**
  - o **Jesus isn't a great teacher because He teaches eastern**
  - o **A rabbi teaches for discovery/experience/wrestle with the concept**
  - o **Jewish culture always learns in groups – The bible is an oral book**
- **Western – us, influenced by Hellenism/Romanism (Greek)**
  - o **Describe God in 1 word – love, holy, sovereign, omni's,**
  - o **Westerns teach to explain everything completely – John Calvin (institutions)**

**Jewish Hermeneutics**

- Hermeneutics – the art and science of interpretation or how to interpreted the Bible – Luke 24:32 – Only time with Jesus did hermeneutics on the bible and the people's heart were wide open
- Pashat – surface level
- Remez – treasure hunt. Jesus says something, but it has a connection to the OT that he doesn't say. When Jesus says a line, its connected to the OT. Anytime Jesus says something...it's a remez
  - o Jesus knows the text so well, Jesus knows when its quoted wrongly – Matt. 4. Satan misquotes the OT
  - o Tons of little connections
  - o Parables

- Drash – truth that is hidden in the story
  - Never figure out Drash alone because you could be wrong and misinterpreted
  - Parables
- Sod – deepest level and cannot be taught
  - From HS

**Levels of Jewish learning**

- Bet Sefer
- Bet Talmud

Bet Midrash