



## RVL DISCIPLESHIP THE STUDY: SEASON 1

Jesus' original disciples really knew their Bible. As modern-day followers of Jesus, it is vitally important that we value Scripture in the same way. Season 1 of The Study outlines how we are meant to interact with the Text:

- 1) approaching it from the context in which it was written;
- 2) exploring how Jesus used the Scriptures in His teaching;
- 3) understanding how His followers were meant to be changed by what they learned; and
- 4) identifying the major paradigm that ties the whole Bible together.

### **Thursday March 28: Episode 1: The Commitment**

RVL begins the course by introducing the Shema as an anthem for being “all in” as a disciple, foreshadowing the content to come.

**Thursday April 4: Episode 2: The Pond** Beginning a multi-episode focus on various tools to use when approaching the Bible, RVL outlines the differences between Eastern and Western worldviews and how to recognize them in scripture.

### **Thursday April 11: Episode 3: The Tree**

RVL introduces how to consider the context of the Bible, unpacking 6 major categories of context and how this affects our understanding of the text.

### **Thursday April 18: Break**

### **Thursday April 25: Episode 4: The Coals**

This episode explores the literary concept of allusion and how it is used throughout the Bible, especially in Jesus' teaching.

### **Thursday May 2: Episode 5: The Wine**

RVL uses the story of Jesus turning water into wine to explain theological chronologies, or how the gospel writers organized their accounts to communicate different messages.

### **Thursday May 9: Episode 6: The Stone**

This episode focuses on how God reveals himself and how we join his story, using examples from David's life and the experience of the disciples.

### **Thursday May 16: Break**

**Thursday May 23: Episode 7: The Blind Man**

RVL teaches the story of Jesus healing a blind man who first saw people walking like trees, connecting this miracle to the loaves and fishes experience in the eyes of the disciples.

**Thursday June 30: Episode 8: The Sand**

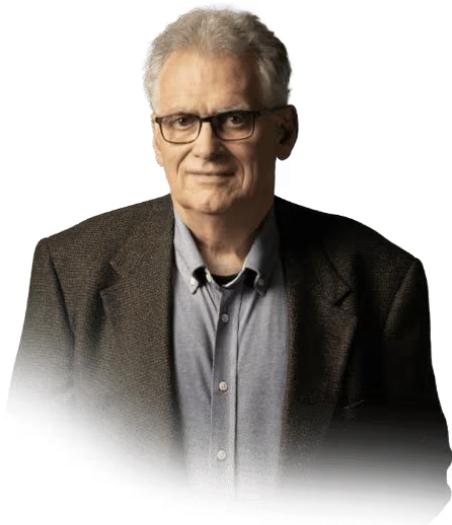
This episode defines parables and unpacks how they were used in Jewish teaching. It explores a few of Jesus' parables and looks at him as a teacher.

**Thursday June 6: Episode 9: The Tohu**

RVL shifts the focus from various tools to use when studying scripture to introducing the Bible's central theme: that God's mission is to bring shalom to chaos.

**Thursday June 13: Episode 10: The Shalom**

RVL concludes Season 1 by applying God's central mission to us as disciples of Christ



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Ray Vander Laan is a master in biblical context who, for the first time, is sharing his methods to a wider audience. Ray's passionate style of teaching connects with students of all ages and inspired his founding of That The World May Know®, a ministry focused on location-based teaching of scripture. He has personally guided over 10,000 people on study tours and released 18 volumes of educational content. RVL Discipleship™ is the culmination of his time in the physical steps of the Rabbi.

40 years of life's work. Four seasons of learning. One purpose: to build disciples who bring shalom.