



## Discussion Guide for “Reading the Bible Mythically”

### *How the Bible Works* Week 13

We've spent the whole summer learning all kinds of tools to read Scripture. But if we approach the Bible with the wrong attitude, we'll still miss the God to whom the Scripture points. With some help from John and C. S. Lewis., we learn how to read the Bible mythically.

#### Scriptures for Further Reading

[John 1:1-18](#)

[John 9](#)

[2 Timothy 3:15-17](#)

#### Passage for Sacred Reading:

Sacred Reading is a way of reading Scripture with an eye toward transformation, not just information. You can find a [step-by-step guide here](#). The passage for this week's sacred reading is [John 6](#).

#### Questions for Discussion

1. Which genres have your favorite this summer? Which have been most challenging?
2. What did C. S. Lewis want to communicate with the toolshed metaphor? What's the difference between studying the light and looking along the beam?
3. Review John 1. How is it a chiasm? How is John inverting religion-as-study vs religion-as-myth?
4. What does it mean to say that Jesus is a 'true myth'?
5. How do you tend to read the Bible? How has this series challenged you this summer?