

How to Read the Old Testament:

1. Narrative

“Narrative is a literary form characterized by sequential time action and involving plot, setting, and characters, It is the story form of literature.”

Over _____ of the Old Testament is in Narrative form.

Books that contain large chunks of narrative material:

The meaning of a narrative derives primarily from the actions of its characters. Rather than telling us how to live or how not to live, narrative shows us how to live or how not to live by the actions of the characters.

Though these are accounts, stories, and narratives the purpose of the narratives is
_____ (They are more than just history.)

Why use narrative?

“They challenge us, interest us, rebuke us, puzzle us, and entertain us. They stick in our memory. They make us think and reflect. They involve us emotionally as well as intellectually. They teach us about God and his plan for his people. They teach us about

The four important aspects of Narrative to focus on:

