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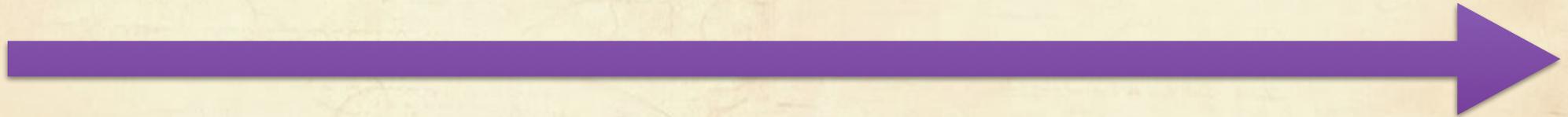
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Recap

When was the last time God
changed your mind?

Recap

Three Phases of Biblical Interpretation



Old Testament

God the Father,
Law

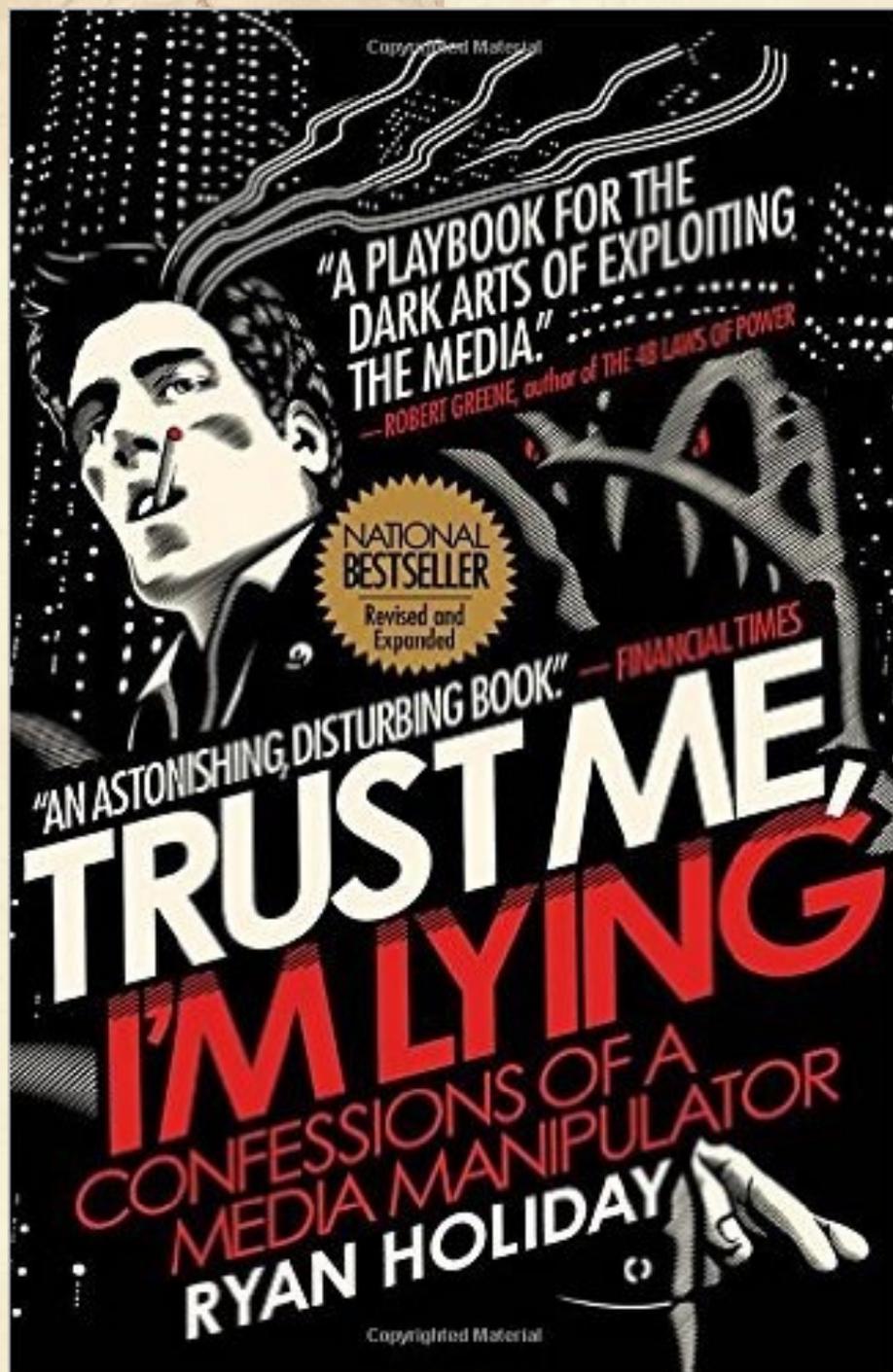
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Jesus,
Grace

Acts and Letters

Holy Spirit, law
& grace

Food
Idea



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“Most people don’t understand how today’s information cycle really works. Many have no idea of how much their general worldview is influenced by the news generated online. What begins online ends off line.” pg 13

“In a media monitoring study done by Cision and George Washington University, 89 % of journalists reported using blogs for their research for stories. Roughly half reported using Twitter to find and research stories, and more than two thirds use other social networks, such as Facebook or LinkedIn in the same way.” pg 20

Primary Assumption

You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, persecutions, sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. **In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted,**
2 Timothy 3:10-12

Primary Assumption

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

vs 14-17

Three Ways Culture Modifies the Bible

Emotional

“The most powerful predictor of virality is how much anger an article evokes.” Jonah Berger

Culture will create outrage in the margins that will lead to outrage on the Main Stage

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The Huffington Post | By Ed Mazza   

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Sciencism

The Bible's type of supernatural is outdated but mysticism and narcissistic spirituality are fine

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The Crowd

If everyone says it, it must be true



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We have become a culture of self
righteousness. Increasingly faith and
fervour are about ourselves

The reason the bible has been displaced
by Christian and non-Christian alike is
because how dare anyone/anything tell
us how to live.

Three Temptations of Bible Manipulation

The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."

Matthew 4:3

Appetites: a desire to satisfy any bodily need or craving.

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

vs 4 referencing **Deuteronomy 8:3**

Don't manipulate the bible to approve your appetites/behaviour

Three Temptations of Bible Manipulation

“If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down.” **6a**

Jesus answered him, “It is also written: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”
vs 7, Deuteronomy 6:16

Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. **vs 5**

Do not put the Lord your God to the test as you did at Massah. **Deuteronomy 6:16**

Three Temptations of Bible Manipulation

And he called the place **Massah** and **Meribah** because the Israelites **quarreled** and because they **tested** the Lord saying, “**Is the Lord among us or not?**” Exodus 17:7

performance equals permission

Don't use the bible as a means to justify yourself to yourself or others

Three Temptations of Bible Manipulation

“All this I will give you,” he said, “if you will bow down and worship me.” vs 9

Jesus said to him, “Away from me, Satan! For it is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.’” vs 10 Deuteronomy 6:13

We must not use the bible to modify god, or make God in our image

Three Temptations of Bible Manipulation

Ourselves

Others

God

Did God really say... **Genesis 3:1**