

The Story of the Bible

Part I

- **The Story of How the Bible came to be...**
 - The OT canon
 - The Law, the Psalms, the Prophets
 - What Christ and the Apostles read and used
 - The writing of the NT
 - The NT canon
 - St. Athanasius on the books of Scripture
 - Books agreed upon and used
 - Books that are beneficial for godly living
 - Books not to be read

Part II

- **The Story told in Scripture**
 - Chiasmus - a rhetorical device in which the end is a reflection of the beginning and it all revolves around the middle
 - The Chiastic Structure of the Scriptures
 - Creation → Incarnation → Eschaton
- **Other Examples of Chiasmus in Scripture**
 - The Synoptic Gospels - “Who do you say that I am?”
 - Especially the Gospel of Luke and how this is depicted in our hymnography and iconography
 - The Gospel of John - “I am the Resurrection and the Life. Do you believe this?”