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- **Opinion:** a belief or judgment that rests on grounds insufficient to produce complete certainty. A personal view, attitude, or appraisal.
- **Interpretation:** to explain or tell the meaning of; present in understandable terms
- Anybody can give an opinion, not everybody can give an interpretation.



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- What does it take to have an interpretation?
 - It takes examination
 - It takes extraction
 - It takes explanation
- Often times the difference in opinion and interpretation is the difference in proof-text and context.



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- What about interpretations?
 - They can be correct (Luke 10:25-28; 2 Tim. 2:15; Jn. 20:30-31; Eph. 3:3-4)
 - They can be incorrect (Jn. 21:20-23; Mt. 16:5-11; 2 Pt. 3:16-17; Mt. 22:23ff)
 - They can be incomplete (Deut. 29:29; Acts 2:38b)



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- How should we handle this?
 - Go to the scriptures (Acts 17:11; 1 Pt. 3:15)
 - Make a chain (I Cor. 9:27; Acts 8:20-22; Rom. 11:17-24)
 - Ask questions about the scriptures (Lk. 2:46)

