Dealing with Supposed Bible Contradictions

Text: 1 Peter 1:23-2:2

I. Defining a Contradiction - Some Lessons in Logic
   A. The Laws of Logic
      1. Law of Identity:
      2. The Law of Non-Contradiction:
      3. The Law of Excluded Middle:
      4. Law of Rational Inference

II. False Expectations Lead to False Conclusions
   A. Expect “Robot” Reporting
   B. Ignore Style to Force Meaning
   C. Making My Way the Only Way
III. Specific Examples – a YouTube video

A. Jesus’ Sayings on the Cross

B. Problems with Animals

C. Problems with Numbers

D. Who Tempted David to Sin?

E. Genesis 1 versus Genesis 2

F. The Resurrection Accounts

IV. Tips on Dealing with Difficulties

A. Is it really a contradiction?

B. Establish the foundation - will they really accept the answer?

C. Look to proper sources