



## The Recovery of Classical Education in Africa with Karen Elliot and Erica Robertson of the Rafiki Foundation

Presentation 5: Truth, Beauty, and Goodness in the African Bush

### Outline:

#### The Rafiki Bible Study

- This is a deep and careful study of every book of the Bible.
- Everyone in the village studies the same passage of the Bible together.
- Families study scripture together.

#### The Rafiki School Curriculum

- There was a need for a culturally applicable classical, Christian curriculum written from a biblical worldview.
- The lessons are all inclusive.
- The Christian worldview comes through as it is written by Christian authors.
- The curriculum is written to the teacher as the first student.
- Most students are reading in first grade.
- Un-teaching the teachers takes time.

#### Challenges

- Even a private school in these African countries is expected to use public curriculum.
- The work ethic that is required at a Rafiki school is much greater than at a government school. Teachers are often in shock about what is expected of them.
- Many schools are located in rural areas where a love of learning is not always valued.
- We are fighting preconceived notions of what is education.