

Preliminary Thoughts

Text Selection

Personal Preparation

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The Process

Read: Observations (exegesis)

Read it in original languages or several version [note interesting bits]

Four types of observations

Words [what does the word _____?]

Phrases [how are the words _____ together?]

Sentences [are complete ideas _____, _____, _____, _____?]

Paragraphs and more [how does the _____ influence the meaning?]

Additional resources: concordance, lexicon, commentary, Study Bible

Reflect: Interpretation (hermeneutics)

List all possible themes/topics

Identify primary themes/topics

State main theme(s) as principle(s)

Connect to the Gospel [Kingdom, Life and Grace]

How did Jesus manifest this principle? [teaching, life, especially cross]

How did Jesus ultimately provide the solution?

Respond: Application (application)

Read text again and ask how principle(s) becomes a reality?

Types of responses [not just actions]

Head: _____ to embrace

Heart: _____ to incorporate

Hands: _____ to take up (or reject)

Contexts of response

Me	Family	Relative	Brothers/Sister in Christ
Friends	Neighbors	Associates	

Quick Format Bible Study

Prepare

Select a reasonable size text

Select time and divide parts

Pray

Read

Read passage [multiple times, versions]

Make 4 types of observations

Reflect

List all themes/topics

Identify primary theme(s)

State as a principle(s)

Connect to the Gospel

Respond

How is the principle become a reality? (list all the ways)

How does it change your head, heart or hands?

How does it apply in contexts of your life? (me, family, church, friends, neighbors, associates)