



1. Pray, Read & Write

Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance.

A. Read the Passage in Various Versions.

Parallel BIBLES

- What words or ideas catch your attention?
- Are there any questions, confusing, surprising, or challenging elements?
- Who are the main characters or groups in the passage?

B. Read the Cross References.

References

- Notice how Scripture interprets itself.
- Look for connections between related topics, similar teachings in different contexts, or prophecies and their fulfillment.
- How does your understanding of the passage change as you read the cross-references?

C. Make a Summary of the Passage.

D. Review the Bible Commentaries.

Bible Commentaries

- Notice how others have interpreted the passage.
- What do you learn from the comments?
- How did they modify or expand your understanding of the passage?



2. Apply

A. Write down the Theological Principles.

Find an insight or truth from the passage that will help you understand God's nature, His relationship with us, and how He wants you to live.

Examples of theological principles include:

God's Sovereignty	The New Covenant in the	The Resurrection of the
The Trinity	Blood of Christ	Dead
The creation	God's Mercy	The Last Judgment
The Sin of Man	God's Grace	Eternal Life
The Fall of Man	God's faithfulness	The authority of the
Obedience and	God's Wisdom	Church
Disobedience	God's Eternity	Public worship
Redemption in Christ	God's Love	The proclamation of the
Justification by Faith	God as Creator	gospel
Sanctification	The image of God in the	The Promise of the
God's Omnipotence	human being	Promised Land
God's Omniscience	Prayer	God's Law
God's Omnipresence	The Holy Spirit	Christian hope
The Goodness of God	God's Call	Reconciliation
Repentance	Divine Election	Adoption as Children of
Forgiveness	Faith	God
		etc.

B. Application to Your Personal Life.

- What reflections has this passage prompted in you?
- What is God challenging you to change in your life with this passage?



3. Share

- What kind of reaction do you think this passage might provoke in others if you share it and express your thoughts?
- Practice this methodology with your Connection Group or family and share what you learn.
- Our goal is to become more like Christ by being transformed through exposure to His word.
- Reflecting on and feeling His word builds a personal relationship with Jesus.

Note.

- It is not simply a matter of acquiring information.
- Maintain a healthy approach that avoids unproductive controversies and preserves the unity of the Church.