

Study, Interpret, and Apply the Bible Daily Worksheet

Study Dates: _____

Passage Studied: _____

Bible Study Steps

Monday: Read the whole chapter in at least 2 different translations and find the paragraph for study.

Paragraph starts with verse _____ and ends with verse _____

My reasons for dividing the paragraph with these verses are:

Tuesday: Read the whole chapter again in at least 2 different translations and find the Big Idea:

Big Idea Question 1: What is the implied question in this paragraph?

Big Idea Question 2: What answer to the implied question is supplied in this paragraph?

Big Idea (1 sentence summary): _____

Interrogation Questions:

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Wednesday: Read just the paragraph you are studying several times in your translation of choice, and read it again in as many different translations as you can find.

In your notebook record the following:

1. What kind of literature is this paragraph?
2. Is the author recording what Jesus said or what he did?
3. Why did the author include this paragraph in his Gospel?
4. Why did the author put this paragraph at this point in his Gospel?
5. What differences do you notice in the translations you've read?
6. What interrogation questions have you written down in your previous readings of this passage?
7. What do you need to investigate to understand what this passage means?
8. Are any of the answers to your questions revealed in the passage itself or in the passages that precede or follow it?

Interrogation Questions:

Using whatever tools you have available (commentaries, Bible dictionaries and encyclopedias, study Bible notes, concordances, etc.), find the answers to these questions.

Thursday: Again, read the paragraph repeatedly and add to your list of interrogation questions as they come up. Continue using your tools to answer these questions. Look back at the Big Idea you wrote down on Tuesday. Now that you have studied the passage more, do you need to re-write or refine that Big Idea statement? If so, write your refined Big Idea here:

Friday: Read your paragraph again and review the notes that you've taken on this passage. Then answer these application questions:

1. What does this paragraph teach or imply about God?
2. What is the human sin or weakness that is addressed in this paragraph?
3. How does God's grace in this paragraph reconcile what it reveals about him and what it reveals about us?
4. What universal truth is revealed in this paragraph?
5. How would the original readers have applied this paragraph?
6. How should you apply this paragraph to your life?
7. What is one physical action you should take today to obey what you've learned in this paragraph?