

The 5-Finger Bible Grip

1. _____ on the Scripture (Psalm 119:15-16, 97; Rom 8:5)
2. _____ the Scripture (Psalm 119:105; Romans 15:4)
3. _____ what the Scripture says (Psalm 119:34; 2 Tim 2:15)
4. _____ to the Scripture (Psalm 119:9-10; James 1:22)
5. _____ the Scripture (Psalm 119: 13-14; 2 Tim 4:2)

Studying with the 2 Town Allegory



1. **Observe the the text in their town** (Scripture in the context of its time period)
2. **Measure the river to be crossed** (What are differences between us vs the original audience)
3. **Build the Principle-izing Bridge** (Identify the timeless Biblical Truth)
4. **Consult the Biblical Map** (Allow Scripture to interpret Scripture over our own interpretation)
5. **Observe the Text in our town** (How we apply the Timeless Biblical Truths in our lives today)

A great starting point to studying in the format is to diagram/chart the verse you are studying. This may show you something new that you might miss from a plain reading.

See reverse side for some helpful things to look out for in this process.

Tips for Analyzing / Diagramming a verse

- Include a reading of the verse's chapter or paragraph
- Look for:
 - Repetition of words or phrases
 - Comparisons (This is like that)
 - Contrasts (This is not like that)
 - Lists (E.g. the Fruits of the Spirit)
 - Cause and Effect (E.g. If we confess our sins, then He is faithful and just to forgive our sins)
 - Figures of Speech (E.g. Proverbs 25:21-22, "...heap burning coals". We don't always know for sure the exact meaning of such phrases.)
 - Conjunctions (E.g. and, or, but, yet, therefore)
 - Verbs (actions taking place)
 - Pronouns (He, I, You, Me, etc.)

How many of the above can you Identify in Romans 8:5?

"For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit." (Romans 8:5 ESV)

For Tuesday night:

Please read Psalms 22 before service on Tuesday - If you would like, try to practice some of the things we've learned throughout this series on studying scripture.