



Read – Read the passage in its context several times. Read it slow enough to understand what God is saying through it.

- What ideas or words are emphasised, repeated or related in this passage?
- In your own words, what is the main idea of this passage? (Try to summarise these verses in 10 words or less)

Examine – Next, try to understand the specifics of what the passage is communicating.

- What do you notice about God? What has he done/is he doing in these verses?
- What do you learn about Jesus and his gospel from this passage?
- What does it reveal about people?
- How do you think the writer wanted his reader to respond to these words?

Apply - After seeking to understand God's Word in this passage, consider how he intends to use it in your heart and life today.

- What struck you as you listened to this message? Why?
- Bob pointed out from Genesis 1-2 the ways in which we are limited. Go through the text again and point out where we can see that we are not self-existent, determining, sufficient.

- Are there areas in your life where you are frustrated by your limitations ["Why has God made me thus]? What is at the root of that frustration? Do these limitations hinder you from glorifying God? Consider 2 Corinthians 4:7.
- Bob pointed out that you have to love your finiteness in order to delight in Christ and his righteousness. Where might you struggle to believe that? Read through Philippians 3:3-9 together and consider in what Paul boasts.
- Which of Bob's four applications resonated with you the most (Rejoice in God's goodness and generosity, flourish in community, need rest, pray)?